

CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

Mayor: Lisa Moss

Fiscal Officer: Rebecca Wilson

Village Administrator: Rusty Wilson

Council: Kelly Doran, Debbie Hickman, Ernest Crabtree, Toni Keesler, Judy Michael (absent) and Wendell Mackie

Guests: Rose Pombles, Dennis Davis, Gary Rust, Ed Steiner, Derek Bales, Eshelle Bales, Kate Duskey, Caiden Duskey and Austin Fields

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Ernest made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2018 meeting as written. Wendell second. Roll call. Kelly – abstain, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea, Wendell – yea. Motion passed.

Public Participation: None

Committee/Staff Reports: Rusty Wilson, Village Administrator reviewed his report with Council highlighting projects completed and still in progress. The following were discussed: approval from ODOT on reducing the speed to 45 mph on 127 in the Village limits, Capital Electric has the new pole set for the new flashing equipment that was damaged by an accident, ODOT will be installing new flashers on the North and South end of the Village, Buckeye Power was called to assist in the failed generator at the sewer plant when the power outage occurred on 3/10/18, sprayers and mowers are prepped and ready for mowing and the pump test by Mundell is complete and went well. They hope to being the remediation in early fall. Rusty followed up on the paving project by ODOT and for 2018 they are paving 725 however this is from the railroad tracks East. 725 in town in scheduled for 2020. Rusty got 3 bids for a new backhoe and right now they are offering a 45% discount so the cost would be around \$80,000.00. His preference would be the Case from Southeastern Equipment. Wendell made a motion to purchase the Case backhoe, splitting the money between water, sewer and general (30/30/20) with the state bid. Debbie second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – nay, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed. Becky mentioned the request from Helen Satterfield to get a second adjustment on her sewer for the busted pipes at 42 North Main. This is because the leak occurred in the middle of a billing cycle. Kelly made a motion to adjust. Ernest second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed. Becky also mentioned the leak at Good Trucking and an adjustment on the water since they don't have sewer. Last month was over 631,000 gallons and this month is over 170,000 gallons. Ernest made a motion to adjust the water for the two months. Kelly second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed.

Old Business: None

New Business: Kelly made a motion to approve the Muenchbach contract for 2018 (Resolution #1092-2018) for the same rate (\$850.00 month). Toni second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed. Kelly stated we need to get Dave's wages adjusted and get him a raise so we can keep him here and catch him up like we have done some of the others. He made a motion to take him up to \$18.00 per hour and freeze that for 3 years and no raise again until 2021. Debbie second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed. Kelly asked Rusty if the plant handled the pump test ok and Rusty said Nelson said it

handled it fine. Kelly said that's good because he received a phone call from a County Commissioner asking if Camden has the capacity to help get rid of some of the leachate because Lakengren is having trouble handling the leachate quick enough. They have had all kinds of problems with their pumps and equipment and have had leaks and all kinds of stuff. Right now they are hauling it to Middletown for .15 cents a gallon and no one had the common sense or courtesy from the Commissioner's Office to call Camden and ask us if we would do it. And they have spent about \$40,000 in treatment above the \$917,000 they already spent at Lakengren over the last 6 years. Lakengren wants them to spend another \$400,000 to bypass the problem and build them a direct line to their plant at the taxpayers expense. Nelson said we do have a handle in helping them and it would be a courtesy to our taxpayers to bring the leachate here at a much lower rate and put it in our system and we could even handle it better in the wee hours of the morning. Kelly reminded everyone that Camden was in the running for the leachate contract a few years ago and in the wisdom of the Commissioner's at that time they decided to build a high pressure maintenance line out the back door of the landfill to Camden Road to Mann Road to the lift station with all kinds of lift stations in between and the difference between our bid and the Lakengren bid, which I remind people was revealed by the County Engineer at that time making it not a secret competitive bid, but the difference of the bid over 20 years was \$7,000.00. The numbers for their mess up continues to get worse and now they want more money from the taxpayers to build this improvement to Lakengren and I just don't get it. If the Commissioner's were smart they would take that \$400,000.00 and instead of going to Lakengren build a line from the landfill to Camden and you could have an economical line up 127 to rival all others in the County. Anyway Camden needs to look into the future and think about growth going North and West. There is no reason that Camden should not have gotten the \$917,000.00 that Lakengren got. Kelly said he finds it humorous that after all the rigamaroe that what they are doing out there is not working at least affectively or efficiently. Ernest said right now though the only time they would want our help is if it were to storm. Kelly said yes there is too much run off that they can't handle. Kelly also said the assessment on taxpayers tax bill should have been reduced when the costs at the landfill went down years ago. Wendell mentioned a few community projects he would like to see get initiated such as instead of tearing down homes, have them rehabilitated with the help of people and businesses plus he would like to initiate social media by a facebook page and maybe a wifi community. There will be someone here at the next meeting to give a slide show promoting community events. Kelly would like to send a letter to First Financial asking them to donate their building to the Village which we could use for a library, archives, anything other than a vacant property.

Wendell made a motion to approve the purchase orders. Toni second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed. Ernest made a motion to pay the bills. Toni second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed. Toni made a motion to approve the February Financial Statement. Ernest second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed.

Wendell made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 P.M. Ernest second. Roll call. Kelly – yea, Debbie – yea, Ernest – yea, Toni – yea and Wendell – yea. Motion passed.

Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer

Lisa Moss, Mayor