

CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

THURSDAY, August 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Karen Moss at 7:00 P.M. Roll call was taken as follows: Kelly Doran – absent, Toni Keesler – here, Judy Michael – here, Debbie Hickman – absent, Jeff Steele – here, Wendell Mackie – here and Karen Moss - here. Also in attendance were Fiscal Officer - Rebecca Wilson Chief Matt Spurlock and Village Administrator - Rusty Wilson. Guests included Debbie Mason, Dan Michael, Donna Cross, Ed Steiner, Pastor Greg Jackson and Renee Jackson. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

MINUTES

Wendell made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2020 meeting. Toni second the motion. Roll call. 4 – Yea. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Debbie Mason and Donna Cross addressed Council with an update regarding the Black Walnut Festival. They have been working with the Preble County Health Department regarding social distancing and guidelines that need to be in place. If at the end of September things are worse and the Festival would have to be cancelled they are still considering a virtual Festival. Several Council member stated concerns with safety but are still hopeful for a full Festival.

REPORT FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Rusty reviewed his report with Council. He said they have been doing the same seasonal projects such as grass mowing. He met with someone today on the electric for the Shank property and is awaiting a quote from him. He mentioned the fence was installed in the rear lot and a water meter was replaced at 63 West Hendricks. He received bids for the sewer plant UV system to be replaced and presented the lowest bid to Council at a cost of \$75,000.00 and \$10,000.00 to install. Wendell made a motion to purchase the UV system. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed. Karen said someone had reached out to her about no visible lines at 127 and North Main and asked if we could paint some. Rusty said we don't have the equipment for that but with the paving on North Main new lines will be put down. If the paving gets pushed further back he can look at hiring someone to come in and put them down.

MAYORS REPORT

Last meeting we talked about branding and logos and I said I would start working on that but as far as she is concerned we have a logo but Kelly also mentioned having a seal and I like that idea and I've reached out to someone about that. Also she did sign a letter for the Theatre grant and the application for that so fingers crossed on that. She asked Jeff to mention the park dedication. Jeff said the rededication at the park now Tylersville Park in memory of the Tyler Richardson Foundation who donated playground equipment went really well. Due to the current COVID restrictions it was very limited but it was on livestream for everyone to see. Former Red's player George Foster who is really active in the Foundation also attended. Karen said about a week ago she rode around with Rusty and got to visit our water tower, the new well and the wastewater treatment plant. She learned a lot and there is so much more to it than just flushing so she is learning more and more about our Village and how it works and Rusty does know his stuff.

CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM – CHIEF MATT SPURLOCK

The Camden Police Department have decided to move forward with a chaplaincy program which is a resource to provide spiritual and emotion support to members of the department their families and the public. Police chaplains are trained and committed to ministering to all people regardless of their religious beliefs. The Chaplains duties include riding along with the officers, swear in ceremonies, hospital visits to department personnel, assistance to victims of trauma and crisis and the list goes on and on. The guest we are waiting on is Pastor Ken Harbaum whom he met around March 2019 and talked with about expanding this program county wide and he is actually the chaplain for the Sheriff's office. This program is not something being forced by the department but another tool for us to assistance the community. The department selected a Pastor here in town for their Chaplain and that is Pastor Greg Jackson. He is a 27 year member of the community, a familiar face and we couldn't think of a better selection to come on with us and be our Chaplain. Pastor Greg said it is a blessing to serve in a small town and the climate of

which officers serve right now, in the day we live in, I see this as the most helpful encouragement to the guys and ladies serving our community and to come along side and offer support when I can and be there when I'm needed. Hopefully I've done that up to this point. Matt stated that as far as he knows Pastor Greg will be the first Camden Police Departments first Chaplain. The Mayor then swore Doctor Greg Jackson with the Oath of Office for Chaplain in the Camden Police Department. Matt then introduced Pastor Ken Harbaum who discussed this program with the Chief back in 2019 and is behind getting the program started in this department. He said he had the desire to get this program going county wide with trained Chaplains that are specialized in law enforcement and he invested in a lot of resources to get this going and is looking forward to this opportunity.

OLD BUSINESS

Jeff made a motion to apply for round 2 of the Camden Street & Drainage Improvements & Main Street sidewalk project. Judy second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Judy made a motion to adopt Resolution #2014-2020 to apply for the CARES Act money which was read as an emergency. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Judy made a motion to adopt Ordinance #1027-2020 to set up a fund for the CARES Act money which was read as an emergency. Jeff second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

Wendell made a motion to approve the purchase orders. Jeff second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Judy made a motion to approve the bills. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF JULY FINANCIAL REPORT

Wendell made a motion to approve the July Financial Report. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Wendell made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 P.M. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer

Karen Moss, Mayor