

CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

THURSDAY, April 1, 2021

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 – here, Jeff Steele – here, Wendell Mackie – absent and Karen Moss - here. Also in attendance were Rebecca Wilson – Fiscal Officer and Rusty Wilson – Village Administrator. Guests included Dan Michael, Dennis Davis and Chuck Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

MINUTES

Jeff made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2021 meeting. Judy second the motion. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chuck Moore addressed Council regarding his rental property at 91 North Second Street and his neighbor's property at 85 North Second Street and a fence that his neighbor is installing. Chuck said if he puts the fence up where it is marked it will be literally about 4" from his kitchen window and he also has a concern with safety issues. If there was a fire, no one would be able to gain access in between the houses with a fence there. He has talked with Rusty about our Ordinance and feels that when someone is putting up a fence with their houses being that close neighbors should be made aware first and have input. Rusty agreed that our Ordinance needs to be revised and updated. Jeff said he would reach out to Josh Forrer (Fire Chief) and see if they have any safety concerns.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Rusty mentioned that he will be meeting with Chris Miley in the morning to review the new Gazebo installation. Jeff asked about the placement of the Gazebo and if the flower bed was going to be removed. Rusty said the Gazebo won't take that much if any of the flower bed.

Debbie asked about the spring cleanup and a date of May 17-21 was chosen. Rusty is going to put stipulations this year such as up to 10 large items and items that won't be picked up (like paint, tires, freon) and each home will get 1 pickup only.

Karen mentioned that Walking Path and said Katie Duskey reached out to Rodney Creech who reached out to ODOT in Lebanon (Capital Projects Administrator) and the last action was to send comments on plans that was received and to be reviewed by Village's consultant and this was almost one year ago and they have not received any further information since then. Rusty said that when he talked to Kramer about 3 weeks ago he said they were waiting on approval from ODOT because they have to approve the bridge design that stays within our budget. Debbie said she feels Doug Kramer is having memory lapse because that is not what he said back in the fall. She said we need to start bugging him again and let him know that Council is really upset and edgy. Jeff said it seems that Camden keeps getting put off on our projects and maybe we need to start looking at someone else to do our projects. Karen said I know what you're saying and I know we have a long history with them. Rusty said he would reach out to Doug Kramer again and check on all our projects. Karen said if you don't mind shoot me an email after you talk to him so I don't have to wait until the next meeting because I'm curious to see what he says.

OLD BUSINESS

Karen said just for a matter of record, the historical marker that Camden was approved for at the Orchard Hill Cemetery, we do have to pay a little cost of \$310.00 which we got the bill for and that is moving forward.

On Devil’s Backbone I’m just bringing this up on a letter I received from Mindy Davidson who is Manager of Preble County Park District and they are wanting a letter of support from us that says our Police Department will open and close the gates once they get them installed and this whole right of way – not sure if it’s a lawsuit but definitely some legal stuff going on – so I don’t know if this is going to require a formal contract thing but I just wanted to mention that. Marty Votel is supposed to be getting something to us. This is something that we talked about with the Chief over a year ago and they are good with doing it even though it is out of the Village limits. No action needs to take place at this time.

Camden Comeback is going to coordinate the community yard sales May 6 – May 8, 2021 and promote with flyers etc. They were thinking about getting somewhere in town where people could rent spaces but she wasn’t sure about the cleanup and all. Jeff said we should really stay out of the rental business plus the potential for lots of trash left over. So as if right now that’s a no.

Karen mentioned she reach out to the Air Force Band of Flight to see if Camden could book them and they are booking right now for this year. She just needs to get back with them on a date and time. Debbie made a motion to have them come to Camden on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Judy second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed. This is free to the Village and community as they don’t charge a fee.

The splashpad was mentioned again but more information is being gathered and getting with Rusty on water capacity, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

None

GENERAL THOUGHTS AND IDEAS

None

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

Judy made a motion to adjourn at 7:38 P.M. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer

Karen Moss, Mayor