

CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

THURSDAY, January 21, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Karen Moss at 7:00 P.M. Roll call was taken as follows: Kelly Doran – here, Toni Keesler – here, Judy Michael – here, Debbie Hickman – here, Jeff Steele – absent, Wendell Mackie – absent and Karen Moss - here. Also in attendance were Fiscal Officer - Rebecca Wilson and Village Administrator - Rusty Wilson. Guests included Dan Michael, Tony Baker (Register Herald) Eddie Steiner, Ben Tucker, Debbie Mason, Rob Wells and J. Todd Smith. The Pledge of Allegiance was given led by resident Ed Steiner.

The Mayor stated the first order of business was election of President of Council and she would like to nominate Toni Keesler. Debbie made a motion to elect Toni as the President of Council. Judy second. Roll call. 3 Yea. 1 abstain (Toni). Motion passed.

MINUTES

Toni made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2021 meeting as written. Judy second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Rob Wells addressed Council about the property just South of the Dollar Store that he has acquired and he is looking to build a store and lock. The building would start on the Barnets Mill side and expand back on the lot in the future. Kelly asked that he get with Rusty which he has done. The ground work with start in the next few months and the building probably next year. Debbie made a motion to approve his request. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

J. Todd Smith addressed Council and mentioned what an honor it was to serve the people for his 2-1/2 years and how great Camden was to work with. He also mentioned that with the Capital budget request by Camden last year, which was thought wouldn't happen due to COVID, did in fact happen and at the end of the year he was notified that they were going to have money to spend. He pushed really hard for Preble County because he feels that Preble County always get the short fall and Preble ended up getting 1.1 million in grant monies. He's excited that Camden got the \$100,000.00 for the upstairs renovation and please let him know when it's finished so he can come see it.

REPORT FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Rusty reviewed his report with Council. He mentioned that the influent sampler (\$6,400.00) and the chart recorder (\$5,000.00) were replaced at the wastewater treatment plant. The group homes at the end of West Street that were discussed in Council awhile back is now a go and construction will start in early spring. The UV system will be installed around February 1st.

REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER

Becky mentioned the CD renewal which she gave copies to Council for review. Kelly made a motion to renew the CD. Judy second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Debbie mentioned the amendments and changes to Ordinance #793-04 which she read. Judy made a motion pursuant to ORC 731.17 to dispense with the 3 reading requirement and pass with 1 reading amendments and changes to Ordinance #793-04. Kelly second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed. Debbie made a motion to adopt the amendments and changes. Kelly second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Karen announced the 2021 Council Committees and mentioned that Wendell is the only Council member that won't be heading a committee due to his schedule. Karen said when she attended the Mayor's meeting on Tuesday David Anderson asked her about making the Town Hall an EOC (Emergency Operation Center) for the South end of the County and that he had done some preliminary work which was brought up before. Kelly said he remembers this and it was involved with the funding for the building which letters were wrote. Karen said he mentioned that there might be money from FEMA available if we do this. Debbie said she compiled

letters that went with the Capital funding application and other places when trying to get funding. Kelly said he would contact our newly elected official and start looking into the FEMA funding.

GENERAL DISCUSSION THOUGHTS & 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

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

Judy made a motion to adjourn at 7:18 P.M. Toni second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer

Karen Moss, Mayor