

# CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

## THURSDAY, January 20, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Toni Keesler 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 – here, Kate Duskey – here and Karen Moss - absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Also, in attendance were Rusty Wilson, Village Administrator, Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer and Ben Gunderson, Deputy Village Administrator. Guests included Jesus Guevara, Kathy Kemper and Tommy Hicks.

### **MINUTES**

Jeff made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2022 meeting. Judy second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2021 special meeting. Judy second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed. (There were some minor word changes to the minutes prior to the meeting).

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

### **REPORT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE**

Chief Spurlock presented 2 officers for promotions which included Michael Powers who has been promoted from Patrolman to Corporal and Sergeant David Stemp who has been promoted to Lieutenant. Powers received his pins from his wife Stephanie and Stemp received his pins from his Mother Terri. He also reviewed with Council a report showing all the department calls in 2019, 2020 and 2021.

### **REPORT FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR**

Rusty updated Council on a few projects that have been completed. The work has been completed at the Sewer plant on the orbital shaft they are just waiting on a crane to put it all back together. Well #2 is cleaned and well #1 will be done within the next couple weeks. Christmas decorations are down and put away for the year. The tractor at the wastewater plant to we use to remove sludge from the drying beds and other things is done. I would like to get Council approval to purchase one. New are around \$25,000.00 but I know I can get a used one for less than that. Kelly made a motion to purchase another tractor with a spending limit of no more than \$20,000.00. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed. Once we get the new one I will put the other on Govdeals. We did have a purchase of our old UV system for \$400.00 off Govdeals. Also discussed were some nuisance properties.

### **REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER**

Becky said we are on the last process of putting our levies on the ballot. She presented Resolution #2038-2022 a Resolution Declaring it necessary to levy a tax for our general operating expenses at 4.00 mills (.40 cents) for 5 years as a renewal. Kelly made a motion to approve Resolution #2038-2022. Judy second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

Also presented was Resolution #2039-2022 a Resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax for our Police Protections – Operating services at 6.00 mills (.60 cents) for 5 years as a renewal. Kelly made a motion to approve Resolution #2039-2022. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

### **REPORT FROM DEPUTY VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR**

Ben presented a brief summary on the projects being worked on with the Strategic Planning (Live, Work, Play) and he would like Council to pass a Resolution just to show what we are prioritizing. Kelly made a motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Resolution #2040-2022 to approve the Strategic Planning projects. Judy second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed. Another economic development tool that he feels is essential is called Community Improvement Corporation which is a cost of \$4,500.00 to create it and he presented information in the portfolio as well. He also mentioned that the Village is partnering with a property owner to apply for a demolition grant which will be beneficial in the long run.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**GENERAL DISCUSSION, THOUGHTS AND IDEAS**

None

**APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS**

Judy made a motion to approve the purchase orders. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Judy made a motion to approve the bills. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT**

Kelly made a motion to approve the December Financial Report. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

Jeff made a motion to adjourn at 7: 53 P.M. Kelly second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

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Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer

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Karen Moss, Mayor