

CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

Thursday, July 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor Judy Michael at 7:00 P.M. Roll call was taken as follows: Kelly Doran – here, Judy Michael – here, Debbie Hickman – here, Jeff Steele – here, Kate Duskey – here, Carla Risner - here and Toni Keesler - absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Also, in attendance were Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer, Rusty Wilson, Village Administrator, Nancy Melton, Clerk of Courts and Ben Gunderson, Deputy Village Administrator. Guests included Kathy Kemper, Dan Michael, Rob Beglin (USI Insurance), Zach Stewart (VFIS), Kyle Longcamp, Gary Rusty and Dennis Davis.

MINUTES

Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2022 special meeting. Carla second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Zach Stewart and Kyle Longcamp presented their new proposal for insurance with VFIS. They reviewed the overall policy with new Council members to show what they cover and offer for the Village and asked that the Village continue putting their trust in them.

Rob Beglin with USI addressed Council with a few rebuttals but stated again if Council had any questions regarding USI please let him know.

REPORT FROM VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Rusty said the water main break on Central was completed this week along with another 4 so water is now back down to normal. He mentioned the current water meters which are about 12 years old and some are starting to fail and there are no replacements. He got a few quotes and the one he prefers is from EJP to replace the entire Village for \$261,000.00. He feels the ARPA money and some out of water/sewer would help with that. Kelly mentioned that Ben contacted OWDA about a grant but there isn't any but there is a 1% or 1.5% loan for 20 years and we could do all of that and it guards our cash. Jeff said we have over \$200,000 in ARPA money and this would be part of infrastructure which is perfect for what that money should be used for instead of another payment. Kelly said in his view there are so many other projects out there that we could use the ARPA money and our general fund money or even water money could be used toward a grant opportunity and come away with a lot more. He feels ARPA money could be used for things you don't normally have money to do. Jeff said our cash flow is through the meters and if they aren't reading we are losing cash flow. Debbie said I thought we were going to use the ARPA money for the Tech Center. Jeff said we don't even know when the Tech Center is going to come about. Rusty said he was just throwing that out there for Council to consider because we will need to do something soon. Also, we applied for an OPWC grant last year for a generator for the wastewater plant and it is now time to apply again, however this time we dropped the bar screen to be more competitive and keep it under \$200,000 and our match would be \$72,000 and in-kind of \$8,100 and would be budgeted in 2024. Jeff made a motion to apply for the OPWC grant for a generator (Resolution #2049-2022). Kelly second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

Debbie mentioned she talked to someone from Job and Family Services and there are some young people (ages 14-18) who can perform work here in the Village (job corp.) and they would pay the people to work and the Village would not have to pay anything. I have something in mind for them to do and I would be their supervisor. Toni and I will be meeting with the lady from Job and Family Services tomorrow and we will be interviewing the person. This ends once school starts so they will work just a few weeks.

REPORT FROM FISCAL OFFICER

Becky mentioned the Certificates of Estimated Property Tax Revenue for the General operating levy and Police levy need to be approved by Council so we can proceed with the next step in getting those on the ballot. Kelly made a motion to accept the Certificate of estimated property tax revenue for the General Operating Levy. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed. Kelly made a motion to accept the Certificate of estimated property tax revenue for the Police Operating Levy. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

We need to 2nd reading for Resolution #2048-2022 for the ODOT Paving in 2023. Kelly made a motion to approve the 2nd reading. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

REPORT FROM CLERK OF COURTS

Nancy reviewed her June report with Council

REPORT FROM DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR

Ben mentioned he hasn't received all the information he needs to discuss the Economic Development for the Medship so he won't be discussing that this evening.

He presented a Memorandum of Understanding which will track the Library funding for the Tech Center and will allow them to fully allocate this money they requested we put this together so it shows what each party brings to the table. Debbie made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. Kelly second. Roll call. 4 Yea. 1 Nay (Jeff). Motion passed.

Ben asked for Council approval to draft documents for the Dollar General TIF. Kelly made a motion to draft the documents. Debbie second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

Ben asked if Council had thought about the next zoning workshop date. After discussion, the next date was set for August 19th (Friday) at 5:30 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Kelly made a motion to approve the 3rd reading of Resolution #2043-2022 for the Proposed 2023 Tax Budget. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed. Carla made a motion to adopt Resolution #2043-2022. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

Debbie said the Band of Flight has been confirmed for August 6, 2022 at the Shank Park. We need Council approval to pay for their meal while here. Kelly made a motion not to exceed \$500.00. Jeff second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed. Debbie said talked to VFW and Josh at the Firehouse who have tents we can use for free.

Debbie asked where we were at with the Employee Manual update. Judy said she just got an email from them this week about going through it step by step to see if she can help. We had tried to get a copy of Karen's notes but we weren't able to get them. It's a long document so it may be awhile yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Debbie mentioned that Nancy would like to get her Notary license because Toni and Kelly and herself think we should have one in the building. Nancy said the Police Department said it would be beneficial to them. Debbie made a motion for the Village to pay expenses for Nancy to get a Notary for the Village not to exceed \$500.00. Kelly second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION, THOUGHTS AND IDEAS

None

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

Jeff made a motion to adjourn at 8: 36 P.M. Kate second. Roll call. 5 Yea. Motion passed.