

CAMDEN VILLAGE COUNCIL – REGULAR

Thursday, December 15, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Toni Keesler at 7:00 P.M. Roll call was taken as follows: Kelly Doran – absent, Judy Michael – here, Debbie Hickman – here, Jeff Steele – here, Kate Duskey – here, Carla Risner - absent and Toni Keesler - here. The Pledge of Allegiance was given. Also, in attendance was Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer, Rusty Wilson, Village Administrator and Matt Spurlock, Chief of Police. Guests included Dan Michael, Dustin Barnes, Kyle Barnes, Chelsey Barnes and Kathy Clapp (Coldwell Banker)

MINUTES

Judy made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2022 regular meeting. Debbie second. Roll call. 3 Yea. 1 abstain (Kate). Motion passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Kathy Clapp, Coldwell Banker realtor representing Kyle and Dustin Barnes addressed Council stating they have an interest in purchasing the old IGA building and making it a processing building along with a sandwich shop one the processing portion gets underway. They just wanted to come and get things rolling prior to certain zoning going into effect and then working with zoning for future endeavors. Council showed their excitement for this venture and also mentioned that as long as they are working on the building with their plans prior to the zoning being finalized they would be grandfathered in. However, if after zoning is in effect they want to make changes they would have to abide by the code.

REPORT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Spurlock addressed Council stating that he still needs to fill a full-time position that has been vacant since Officer Matt Adkins left in April this year. He would like to hire James Cagg from part time to the full-time position at a starting salary of \$46,000.00. Jeff questioned benefits along with the salary and asked if that was already included in the 2023 budget. Matt said he couldn't answer that but will find out.

REPORT FROM DEPUTY VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Jay Stewart addressed Council in place of Ben's absence regarding the zoning code and an overview of what was being presented this evening under new business. Jay also mentioned to Council not to be afraid to make changes or amend the plan in the future because you are the ones who see if things work or don't work. He said on the side of err it's always best to have 3 readings for passing the zoning code and then you have a 30-day referendum period. Jeff stated that he hasn't had time to review the entire code since the revisions and asked the other 3 Council members if they had read it. Debbie said she marked the changes that were supposed to be made and Toni said we reviewed page for page during the work sessions. Toni said this is just the first reading so if we pass this and just get it moving you still have time to review it and if you don't agree with it you can vote no on future motions.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Rusty said ODOT had called him regarding the paving on 725 in the spring of 2023 and asked about the reflectors and did we want them replaced since they are to be maintained by the Village. Rusty said yes, we do want the reflectors so the Resolution 2048-2022 that was passed earlier this year needs amended to add the reflector verbiage. Judy made a motion to approve the amendment to Resolution #2048-2022 adding the reflector verbiage. Jeff second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Debbie made a motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #1043-2022 the Land Use Plan. Kate second. Roll call. 2 Yea. 2 Nay (Judy and Jeff). Due to a tie the Mayor voted Yea. Motion passed.

Kate made a motion to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance #1044-2022 the Zoning Code. Debbie second. Roll call. 2 Yea. 2 Nay (Judy and Jeff). Due to a tie the Mayor voted Yea. Motion passed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION, THOUGHTS AND IDEAS

Judy read a letter from Doc Thomson asking the Village to approve his wish that his ashes be interred by the large rock on the Village lot directly west of the Camden Town Hall and that the Village provide a plaque or a marker to commemorate his faithful service to the Camden community. Judy made a motion to acknowledge his request. Debbie second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS

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

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Judy made a motion to approve the November Finance Report. Jeff second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Jeff made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 P.M. Kate second. Roll call. 4 Yea. Motion passed.

Rebecca Wilson, Fiscal Officer

Toni Keesler, Mayor