

Town of Camden
Regular Meeting of Council
September 13, 2011
Town of Camden Municipal Building

At 7:05 p.m. Mayor Maly called the Camden Town Council Meeting to order and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in recognition of our troops currently serving, those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

The following persons were in attendance:

Council Members	Kevin Casquarelli, Councilman (ABSENT) John Green, Councilman Justin King, Councilman Jeffrey Lewin, Councilman Richard Maly, Mayor
Solicitor	Craig Eliassen, Esq.
Administrative Staff	Charlotte L. Klauder, Town Clerk James O. Plumley, III, Town Manager Chief William Bryson, Camden Police Dept.
Public	Attachment

Notice

Notice of this meeting has been made in accordance with the Delaware Open Public Meetings Act by posting on August 9, 2011, copies of the agenda in the following manner:

- a. The electronic sign; and
- b. The official bulletin boards; and
- c. The official website.

Amendments to the Agenda

- a. Proclamation will be given out prior to the Bike Summit presentation.
- b. Resolution will be read during new business.

Announcements

- a. Taxes are due by September 30th. Payments received after September 30th are subject to a 1.5% finance charge each month the account is rendered delinquent.

Minutes

Motion made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Lewin, to approve the August 1st minutes as written. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Finance Report (attachment)

Motion made by Councilman King, seconded by Councilman Green to approve the August finance report subject to audit. The vote was affirmative and the motion carried.

Town Manager's Report (attachment)

Mr. Plumley's report included but was not limited to the following:

- Demolition of condemned properties
- Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Preparation of bids for repair of catch basins in accordance with grant requirements
- Addition of line items on budget relative to code violations

Councilman Green requested a letter be sent to Mr. Nowak, owner of 110 N. Main Street, regarding the state of disrepair of the fence along the north property line.

Police Department Report (attachment)

Chief Bryson reported the following information:

- 1227 hours on duty
- 449 hours of routine patrol
- 169 traffic arrests
- 57 warnings
- 42 criminal arrests
- CR School District did not renew the SRO contract. As a result PFC Lynch resigned his position
- Patrolman Bishop was injured while responding to a suspicious vehicle call. He was drug between 25-30 feet during a confrontation with fugitive Sells, wanted in connection with a bank robbery. The fugitive was later apprehended after a standoff at the Shamrock motel.

Mayor Maly and Councilman Lewin expressed gratitude to the police department for their efforts.

C.W.F.D.

As there was no one present on behalf of the Fire Company, Mayor Maly reminded the public of the "all you can eat" breakfast the first Sunday of the month and a dinner fundraiser scheduled for October.

C.W.S.W.A.

Ms. Tracy Green reported the next scheduled CWSWA meeting would be held 7:00 p.m., September 14th, at the CWSWA facility located on S. West Street. She stated the board of directors will vote on the budget and encouraged Council and residents to attend.

Friends of Historic Camden

Ms. Bobbi Toner encouraged everyone to stop by their yard sale at the Burke's residence on September 14th.

Mayor's Report (attachment)

Mayor Maly's report included but was not limited to the following:

- Senior tax discount
- Status of the FOIA issue relative to the CWSWA
- Thomas Harmon Drive

Presentation

Proclamation

Councilman Lewin presented a Proclamation of Appreciation to his son Jacob M. Lewin for his volunteer service to the Town.

Bike Summit

Mrs. Kate Layton, Dover/Kent County MPO, explained the MPO's initiative toward Delaware becoming a bike-friendly state. She stated the bike summit will take place on Friday, October 14th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the University of Delaware's Verden Center in Lewes.

Old Business / Public Hearing

Audit Report

Mr. Plumley stated Mr. DeFroda would not be in attendance; however he submitted a report for Council indicating nothing has changed since his appearance in July.

Resolution 2011-R-03 "All Hazard Mitigation Plan"

Motion made by Councilman Lewin, seconded by Councilman King to adopt Resolution 2011-R-03. The vote was affirmative and motion carried.

New Business

Resolution 2011-R-04 "Recommending Support of the Brecknock Manor House & Howell's Mill"

Mr. Plumley read Resolution 2011-R-04 into the record by title only. He explained this resolution was a result of the request by the Friends of Historic Camden for support of their efforts to restore and preserve Brecknock Manor House and Howell's Mill.

Motion made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Lewin to adopt Resolution 2011-R-04. The vote was affirmative and motion carried.

Public Comment

Gwen Holloman – Newell's Creek

Ms. Holloman questioned whether or not Redner's Supermarket was still coming to Camden. Mr. Plumley stated CR Plaza II has finally received DelDOT approval however he could not say for sure if Redner's was still the intended use.

Tracey Green – South Main Street

Ms. Green thanked Council for passing the resolution submitted by Friends of Historic Camden. She stated they are seeking to enter into a lease of the property so that they may begin the restoration project.

Council Comments

Councilman Green requested a meeting with Mr. Plumley and Chief Bryson. He stated he would contact them to confirm date and time.

Executive Session

At 8:05 a motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman King to recess the regular meeting in order to open an executive session. The vote was affirmative and the motion carried.

At 8:50 a motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman King to adjourn the executive session and reopen the regular meeting. The vote was affirmative and the motion carried.

Adjournment

At 8:55 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Lewin, seconded by Councilman Green, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Charlotte L. Klauder
Town Clerk