

**Town of Camden
Regular Town Council Meeting
Camden Municipal Building
January 6, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Edmanson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and noticed that this regular Council Meeting is being held in compliance with the Delaware Open Public Meeting Act by posting the agenda on December 20, 2013, in the following manner:

- a. The electronic sign; and
- b. The Official Bulletin Boards;
- c. The official Town of Camden Web Site;
- d. The Dover Post; and
- e. The Delaware State News.

Mayor Edmanson led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Edmanson led a moment of silence.

Council Attending: Mayor Edmanson, Vice Mayor King, Councilman Casquarelli, Councilman Dougherty, and Councilman Green.

Council Absent: None

Staff Attending: Chief William Bryson, Town Manager Aaron Chaffinch, Town Clerk Jamie Fenske, Account Specialist Amanda Marlow, Finance Officer John Kelly, and Town Solicitor Craig Eliassen.

AMENDMENTS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Hall will be closed January 20th, 2014 in observance of Martin Luther King's Birthday.

Municipal Election is scheduled for Saturday, February 22, 2014 from 12-8 p.m. at the Camden Municipal Building. Terms are up for the Mayor's 2 year slot and two of the Council which are 3 year slots. Qualified parties may submit a letter of intent to the Town Clerk no later than the close of business on Friday, January 31st, 2014.

Town Hall will be open until 8:00 p.m. on January 15th, 2014 for candidates to file notification of candidacy.

MINUTES

Motion made by Councilman Casquarelli, seconded by Councilman Green to approve the December 2, 2013 regular meeting minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PRESENTATION

None.

FINANCE REPORT

John Kelly stated that all expenses are within budget.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Bryson's report included but was not limited to traffic arrests and criminal activity.

Chief Bryson explained that the officers were very pleased with the Ford Explorers in the recent snow.

Chief Bryson announced that he spoke to a resident that expressed their pleasure with the snow plowing.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Chaffinch thanked everyone who assisted with the Caroling in Camden and a special thank you to Whatcoat Church.

Mr. Chaffinch reported that the trail of stones on West Street and Willow Avenue will be taken care of as soon as the weather cooperates.

CAMDEN WYOMING FIRE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Edmanson thanked the Camden Wyoming Fire Department for all of their help with Caroling and Camden.

CAMDEN WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY

Mr. Couming indicated the CWSWA is under contract to install a new well and tank on Upper King Rd.

Mr. Couming stated that impact fees will pay for this project.

FRIENDS OF HISTORIC CAMDEN

Mrs. Tracey Green stated the next regularly scheduled meeting is January 21, 2014, 7:00pm at Barclay Farms.

MAYOR

None.

PUBLIC HEARING

Comprehensive Plan Amendment Ordinance

Linda Raab explained that every 5 years the Town is required to do an update to the Comprehensive Plan.

Mrs. Raab stated that the Planning Commission has made a recommendation to the Council to accept the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.

BJ DeCoursey added that the Camden Bypass is included in the Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

Mrs. Raab detailed that the CWSWA property that Mr. Couming was speaking of is on the annexation map.

Public Hearing ended at 8:04 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Comprehensive Plan Amendment Ordinance – Second/final reading

Mr. Chaffinch read the title to the Comprehensive Plan Amendment Ordinance.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor King, seconded by Councilman Green to approve the Comprehensive Plan Amendment Ordinance. All in favor; none opposed. Roll call:

Councilman Green, yes
Councilman Casquarelli, yes
Vice-Mayor King, yes

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Councilman Dougherty, yes
Mayor Edmanson, yes

New appointee to the Camden Wyoming Sewer and Water Authority Board

Mr. Chaffinch reported that Mrs. Blomquist is not interested in serving another term for the CWSWA Board.

Mr. Chaffinch added that Mr. Dougherty is willing to serve in that capacity.

Motion made by Councilman Casquarelli, seconded by Vice-Mayor King to appoint Larry Dougherty to the Camden Wyoming Sewer and Water Authority Board . Roll call:

Councilman Green, yes
Councilman Casquarelli, yes
Vice-Mayor King, yes
Councilman Dougherty, abstained
Mayor Edmanson, yes

OLD BUSINESS

Town Hall mortgage discussion

CFO John Kelly stated that making a \$1,000 additional monthly payment to the mortgage would be conservative.

Mayor Edmanson added that this additional payment would be discussed every year.

Motion made by Councilman Green, seconded by Vice-Mayor King to approve an extra payment of \$12,000 to the Town Hall mortgage from the RET account. Roll call:

Councilman Green, yes
Councilman Casquarelli, yes
Vice-Mayor King, yes
Councilman Dougherty, yes
Mayor Edmanson, yes

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Green expressed his pleasure with the Caroling in Camden event.

Councilman Green added there will not be an increase in the budget to cover the extra mortgage payment.

At 8:42PM a motion was made by Vice-Mayor King, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli to go into executive session. All in favor none opposed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To consider strategy with respect to pending and /or potential litigation and/or with respect to personnel issues.

At 9:13PM a motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli to return from executive session into regular session. All in favor none opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:14 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli, to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jamie Fenske, Town Clerk*