

**Town of Camden  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
Camden Municipal Building  
April 7, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor King called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and noticed that this regular Council Meeting was being held in compliance with the Delaware Open Public Meeting Act by posting the agenda on March 31, 2014, in the following manner:

- a. The electronic sign,
- b. The Official Bulletin Boards, and
- c. The official Town of Camden Web Site.

Mayor King led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor King led a moment of silence.

Council Attending: Mayor King, Councilman Green, Councilman Dougherty, Councilman Casquarelli, and Councilwoman Torres.

Council Absent: None

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

**AMENDMENTS**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Town hall will be closed April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in observance of Good Friday.

Town of Camden's Easter Egg hunt will be April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2pm at Town Hall.

**MINUTES**

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Green, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli, to approve the March 10, 2014 regular meeting minutes. All in favor; none opposed. .

Motion made by Councilman Dougherty, seconded by Councilwoman Torres, to approve the March 31, 2014 special meeting minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Green, seconded by Councilman Dougherty, to approve the March 31, 2014 executive session minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**FINANCE REPORT**

John Kelly stated that there are no present concerns in the monthly or fiscal year to date budget reports.

**POLICE REPORT**

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

Chief Bryson informed the audience that April 26<sup>th</sup> is drug take back day here at Town Hall from 10am to 2pm.

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Chaffinch wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Mr. Chaffinch explained that the paving project is still ongoing.

Mayor King questioned the lining of the streets.

Mr. Chaffinch indicated that not all of the streets need to be lined.

**CAMDEN WYOMING FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Glenn Neese of the CWFD reported 238 medical calls and 38 fire calls.

Mr. Glenn Neese reminded residents that bingo is every Tuesday night, doors open at 5:30pm.

Mr. Glenn Neese announced that Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at noon, is open house for all fire departments statewide.

**CAMDEN WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY**

None.

**FRIENDS OF HISTORIC CAMDEN**

Mrs. Burke stated their next regularly scheduled meeting is April 15, 2014, 7:00pm at Barclay Farms.

Mrs. Burke announced that Old Camden Days will be May 17<sup>th</sup> at Brecknock Park.

**MAYOR**

Mayor King reminded residents that Camden will be hosting its second annual Easter Egg Hunt April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2pm here at Town Hall. VFW will be present with a children's table.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Reappointment of Planning Commissioner Michael Schock*

Motion made by Councilman Casquarelli, seconded by Vice-Mayor Green, to reappoint Michael Schock to the Planning Commission. All in favor; none opposed.

Mayor King thanked Mr. Schock for his dedication.

*Reappointment of Board of Adjustment Members; Michael Prystajko & Dohn Harshbarger*

Motion made by Councilman Dougherty, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli, to reappoint Michael Prystajko to the Board of Adjustment. All in favor; none opposed.

Motion made by Councilman Dougherty, seconded by Councilwoman Torres, to reappoint Dohn Harshbarger to the Board of Adjustment. 4 in favor, one not in favor. Motion carries.

*First reading of Floodplain Ordinance*

Mr. Chaffinch explained that all municipalities are required to update their Floodplain Ordinances per FEMA.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Green, seconded by Councilman Dougherty, to accept the first reading of Ordinance #2014-O-02 Flood Damage Reduction Ordinance. All in favor; none opposed.

Vice-Mayor Green asked Mr. Chaffinch to notify those affected by the Flood Damage Reduction Ordinance of the public hearing Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

*Annexation of CWSWA properties*

Mr. Chaffinch explained a petition had been submitted to Mayor and Council from CWSWA to annex 2 of their properties, 3680 Upper King Rd and adjacent vacant lot (NM-00-103.06-01-53.00-000 & NM-00-103.00-01-18.00-000).

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Green, seconded by Councilwoman Torres, to accept the petition to annex 2 CWSWA properties at 3680 Upper King Rd and adjacent vacant lot (NM-00-103.06-01-53.00-000 & NM-00-103.00-01-18.00-000). All in favor; none opposed.

*Possible addition of new police officer position*

Mayor King explained that Councilman Dougherty and himself have been looking into hiring another police officer for months and would like to meet with Chief Bryson for more facts on why another officer would be necessary.

Councilman Dougherty explained that there has been a surplus in the budget for the past two years.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Green, seconded by Councilwoman Torres, to authorize Chief Bryson to move forward with documentation and calculations to add a police position to the 2014/2015 fiscal year budget. All in favor; none opposed.

*Town facebook page*

Councilwoman Torres stated that she would like to have a way of open communication with council and residents.

Councilwoman Torres added that comments can be filtered on facebook.

Councilman Casquarelli expressed that he felt maintaining a facebook page would be a lot of work.

Vice-Mayor Green detailed that town resources are already limited and that there is currently a town website that contains up to date information.

Mayor King thanked Councilwoman Torres for her research.

Motion made by Councilman Casquarelli, seconded by Vice-Mayor Green, to add New Business item g, street striping project. All in favor; none opposed.

*Street striping project*

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Green, seconded by Councilman Dougherty, to authorize Mr. Chaffinch to move forward with street striping, up to \$5,000. All in favor; none opposed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Tax discount*

Mayor King stated that he wants to look into having a \$20 discount given to those who pay their property taxes in July or August.

Mr. Eliassen suggested to have this approved on a yearly basis when the budget is passed.

Mayor King explained that he would like to have this discount to give back to the community.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jill Fuchs – 31 Prouse Ln, questioned if there will be a public hearing about the floodplain ordinance.

Mrs. Fuchs cautioned the town of the new salary for the possible police position.

Mrs. Fuchs expressed that the property tax discount would be really nice.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Dougherty specified that he would not be present at the May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Council Meeting.

Vice-Mayor Green thanked Michael Schock for his service on the Planning Commission.

Councilman Casquarelli added that he would not be present for the June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 Council Meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:49 p.m. a motion was made by Councilman Dougherty, seconded by Councilman Casquarelli, to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jamie Fenske, Town Clerk*