

**Town of Camden  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
Camden Municipal Building  
April 1, 2013**

**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 March 25, 2013, in the following manner:

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

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: Town Clerk Jamie Fenske, Account Specialist Amanda Wooleyhand, Police Chief William Bryson, Town Manager Aaron Chaffinch, Financial Officer Patrick Cullen, and Town Solicitor Craig Eliassen.

**AMENDMENTS**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**MINUTES**

Motion made by Councilman Casquarelli, seconded by Vice Mayor King to approve the March 4, 2013 regular meeting minutes and the March 4, 2013 executive session minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**FINANCE REPORT**

Patrick Cullen stated that he will provide a projected budget to Council by next Council meeting on May 6, 2013.

Mr. Cullen explained that there will be a surplus at the end of the year. There was an unexpected transfer tax from Barclay Farms.

**POLICE REPORT**

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

Chief Bryson stated that the Town will be pairing with the DEA for the sixth year, taking back unwanted prescription drugs on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013 10am to 2pm at Town Hall.

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Chaffinch indicated on March 25, 2013 the old Police Department went to settlement and that all of the utility companies have been notified.

Mr. Chaffinch commended Amanda Wooleyhand and Jamie Fenske on their hard work on the Easter Egg Hunt.

Councilman Dougherty stated that there are properties with large delinquent tax amounts.

Solicitor Eliassen stated that the properties can go to monitions after one year delinquency.

Councilman Casquarelli asked to have a status update for delinquent taxes at Meeting House Lane for the May 2013 Council meeting.

**CAMDEN WYOMING FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Tom Rigsby – of the CWFD reported 205 medical calls and 28 fire calls.

Mr. Rigsby also reminded resident's bingo every Tuesday night, doors open at 5:30pm.

**CAMDEN WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY**

Tracy Torres stated there is a monthly meeting on April 9, 2013 at 7pm at Camden Wyoming Water and Sewer Authority.

**FRIENDS OF HISTORIC CAMDEN**

Mrs. Tracey Green stated the regular monthly meeting is April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:00pm, at Barclay Farms.

Mrs. Green indicated that the Brecknock Manor House fundraiser is on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 4:00pm to 6:00pm, at the Schwartz Center. The cost is \$20.00 per person.

Mrs. Green also advised June 15<sup>th</sup> is Camden Day.

## **MAYOR**

Mayor Edmanson expressed his appreciation to Walmart for their assistance they provided in purchasing two new televisions for the King Meeting Room.

Mayor Edmanson announced that the first Easter Egg Hunt on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 4pm was a success. He thanked all of the businesses and volunteers for their contributions.

Mayor Edmanson read aloud a letter written by a citizen. He then thanked Town Manager Mr. Chaffinch for all of his hard work. He also thanked Police Chief Bryson for all of his great work.

## **PRESENTATION**

Kevin Usilton from the Kent County SPCA discussed parking issues on Cochran Road that were resulting from a large amount of people attending their vaccine clinic that they host every other Monday from 6pm to 8pm.

Mr. Usilton asked to have permission to park cars on one side of the road.

Fire Chief Tom Rigsby stated that he is not sure that Cochran Road is wide enough to fit parking on one side and still accommodate emergency vehicles and apparatus.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### *Road patching proposals*

Mr. Chaffinch stated that three proposals were sent in for the road patching projects. Driveway Maintenance had a bid of \$14,200. EFG Paving and Contracting, Inc. had a bid of \$6,862 but was not a comparable bid. George and Lynch bid at \$10,815. His recommendation was to go with the lowest comparable bid from George and Lynch.

Councilman Casquarelli made a motion to accept the \$10,815 road patching proposal from George and Lynch, seconded by Councilman Dougherty. All were in favor, none opposed.

*Verizon Proposal*

Mr. Chaffinch discussed that a representative from Verizon has contacted him to give a proposal for phone services. They have been unable to prepare a proposal that is comparable to our current provider, Net Carrier.

*Resolution to record updated map of Camden at the Kent County Recorder of Deeds.*

Mr. Chaffinch read aloud Resolution 2013-R-02 Town of Camden Map Recordation to Comply with Camden Town Charter.

Mayor Edmanson made a motion to approve the resolution to record updated map of Camden at the Kent County Recorder of Deeds. Roll call:

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

Mayor Edmanson signed the resolution.

*University of Delaware Planning Office Proposal to assist in the Camden Comprehensive Plan 5 year amendment.*

Mr. Chaffinch stated that he was in contact with Martin Wollaston from the University of Delaware, to assist with the comprehensive plan update. Mr. Wollaston is in process of putting the proposal together and it will be ready by May 6<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Susan Savage - 302 Meeting House Ln shared her appreciation for Mayor, Council, Police Chief Bryson, and the Town staff.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Casquarelli stated that he thought it was important that the Town address any potholes as they present themselves rather than waiting and having to address several at a time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:36 p.m. a motion was made by Vice-Mayor King, seconded by Councilman Dougherty, to adjourn the regular meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jamie Fenske, Town Clerk*