

Town of Camden
Regular Town Council Meeting
Camden Municipal Building
July 2, 2018

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 June 25, 2018, in the following manner:

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

Vice-Mayor Torres led attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor King led a moment of silence.

Council Attending: Mayor King, Vice-Mayor Torres, Councilman Schock, Councilman Dougherty, and Councilman Findley.

Staff Attending: Town Manager Aaron Chaffinch, Town Clerk Jamie Fenske, Town Solicitor Craig Eliassen, and Sergeant Marc Whitney

AMENDMENTS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Hall will be closed Wednesday, July 4th in observance to Independence Day.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Schock, seconded by Vice-Mayor Torres, to approve the June 4, 2018 regular meeting minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made by Councilman Dougherty, seconded by Councilman Findley, to approve the June 4, 2018 executive session minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

PRESENTATION

Allied Waste

None.

FINANCE REPORT

Mrs. Fenske explained that the property taxes were mailed out June 29th. She added to receive the \$20 discount, the total amount due must be paid in full by 4pm on July 31st.

CAMDEN WYOMING FIRE DEPARTMENT

None.

CAMDEN WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY

Mr. Chaffinch reported that he called CWSWA to let them know that one of the bathrooms at town hall has been removed. He also explained to them that there was a water cooler on the original plans when town hall was built that was never installed.

FRIENDS OF HISTORIC CAMDEN

Mrs. Burke reminded everyone that the annual Friends of Historic Camden picnic will be at Brecknock Park, Tuesday, July 10th at 6pm. She also added that the tree at the center of town does not look like it is doing well.

Mayor King explained that he would like to have the tree at the corner of Camden Wyoming Avenue and Main Street removed and would like to see a clock and pavers there. He added that donations started at the June Council Meeting and will hopefully continue to come in to help pay for the beautification of the downtown.

VFW

Vice-Mayor Torres reminded everyone that the VFW will hold a yard sale on August 11th. It will be \$10 for a spot and you bring your own table.

POLICE REPORT

Sergeant Whitney gave a report that included but was not limited to traffic arrests and criminal activity. He asked to have the purchase of two mobile vision cameras on the August agenda. He added that the cost for 2 new cameras would be \$11,061.54.

Mayor King questioned when the new Tahoe will be lettered.

Sergeant Whitney stated that the new Tahoe will be used by himself to go back and forth to the FBI Academy and will be lettered when he gets back.

Mayor King added that both Explorers are now spares.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Chaffinch reported that the May RETT was \$21,128.58.

Mr. Chaffinch reported that Yencer Builders has been here and the bathroom on the third floor has been removed. He added that the junction box on the third floor must be moved so that the outside doors can be added to the HVAC room. He explained that Berry Refrigeration will be here soon to move the box.

Mr. Chaffinch added that the paving on Walmart Drive should be done the week starting July 9th.

Mr. Chaffinch explained that he and Mr. Scott will be meeting with Alex Schmidt, Engineer for Century Engineering on July 17th at 10am to discuss the MS4 grant application.

MAYOR

Mayor King thanked the police department for their dedicated work. He also thanked the town staff for their great work and their success on collecting delinquent taxes.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jo Anne Geney – 107 Camden Commons, explained that she feels there is a parking issue in the development. She explained that there are only two parking spaces for each dwelling. She questioned if they could park in the grass of open space.

Ms. Fenske explained that the grass is private property and that the no parking signs have been put in place by the property owner.

Mrs. Geney added that the speeding in Camden Commons has become awful. She also stated that the retention pond has collected a lot of trash and she feels that the pipe needs to be cleaned out.

Mayor King explained that that property and the retention pond is privately owned. He added that the property owners need to maintain the retention pond. He also suggested that DNREC be called to see if there is anything they may be able to do.

Birdie Hill explained that he is working on obtaining his communication badge for Boy Scouts. He added that he is also working on becoming an Eagle Scout and would love to obtain that honor before he enters high school.

Mrs. Hill suggested getting in contact with the local Boy Scouts to see if they would like to help with the beautification project downtown.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made at 7:40pm by Councilman Schock, seconded by Councilman Dougherty, to adjourn the council meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jamie Fenske, Town Clerk*