

**Town of Camden  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
Camden Municipal Building  
April 5, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Torres called the meeting to order at 7:02 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 29, 2021, in the following manner:

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

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

Mayor Torres led a moment of silence.

Council Attending: Mayor Torres, Vice-Mayor Schock, Councilman Woodall, Councilman Girty, and Councilwoman Rhodes.

Council Absent: None.

Staff Attending: Town Clerk Sarah Cahall, Account Specialist Yvette Yerks, Town Manager Jason Stewart, Town Solicitor Craig Eliassen, and Chief Marcus Whitney.

**AMENDMENTS**

Remove new business item a- Adoption of the 2018 ICC Building Codes & Building Valuation Data.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Schock, seconded by Councilwoman Rhodes, to approve the March 1, 2021 regular meeting minutes. All in favor; none opposed.

**FINANCE REPORT**

Mrs. Yerkes stated there was \$33,902.40 in RETT and the delinquent taxes are \$29,656.34.

**PLANNING & ZONING REPORT**

Mrs. Cahall stated that the planning commission approved another 1-year extension for Sunset Village.

Vice-Mayor asked if the current owner sells the property will that affect anything.

Mrs. Cahall said they will pick up where they left off.

**CAMDEN WYOMING FIRE DEPARTMENT**

None.

**CAMDEN WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY**

Councilman Woodall explained the process of the sewer bill in Tamarac has a separate meter separate from the CWSWA. He explained the sewer bill is collected off the water bill.

Councilman Woodall added that DNREC allows 2.5% water loss and that CWSWA is well under that. They contributed to filling up fire trucks, contractor trucks and water leaks underground.

He stated the pump station was budgeted for Half a million dollars and the final is close to \$850,000.00.

Councilman Woodall stated that a few years ago about roughly 2004 that Sunset Village paid \$60,000.00 for permit fees. After some time has passed and over 2007, 2010, 2012 and 2019 they revised the ideas and resubmitted, but the permit had expired. Councilman Woodall stated that they are going to take that \$60,000.00 apply it as a credit and additional \$68,000.00 will have to be paid for the water permit since the original permit was expired.

Councilman Woodall went into the widening of the streets on route 13. He added that CWSWA will be impacted in 3 areas on Old North Rd, Route 10 & 13, and by Brecknock park.

Councilman Woodall informed Mr. Stewart that the application for 118 N. Main has been submitted and paid for. He added that the plans are not approved as submitted. They do not have proper paperwork from DNREC, improve grinder pump, and a few inconsistencies in the plans that were found.

Mayor and Council agreed to have 118 N Main St listed on the May agenda. A certified letter is to be sent to the owner to invite them to the May Council meeting

Councilman Woodall wants the homeowner to have a certified letter stating a deadline on the property.

Mr. Stewart confirmed with Mayor and Council that the property owner will have to have full hookup of the utilities completed by June 1, 2021.

**FRIENDS OF HISTORIC CAMDEN**

None.

VFW

None.

**POLICE REPORT**

Chief Whitney said that he will have both reports at the next meeting.

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Stewart stated that the Town will be keeping their waste contract with Republic Services.

Mr. Stewart advised Mayor and Council that he is working on creating an Ordinance for the 2018 ICC building codes and Building Valuation Data.

Mrs. Cahall stated that with using the Building Valuation Data and permit fee multiplier, this is based on the total cost of construction value. She added that we currently use Marshall and Swift which is a formula based and it is not transparent with the module she uses in Edmunds.

Councilman Girty asked if there was a fee.

Mr. Stewart advised him it would only be for new material such as books.

Mr. Eliassen suggested to Mr. Stewart that if he is going to consolidate all the ordinance for building codes 2006 to do a synopsis.

**MAYOR**

She stated they are working on the budget and thanks everyone that is involved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Woodall likes to see everyone working together.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

A motion was made at 8:03pm by Vice-Mayor Schock, seconded by Councilman Girty, to adjourn the council meeting and enter executive session without returning to the regular meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made at 8:03pm by Vice-Mayor Schock, seconded Councilman Girty, to adjourn the council meeting and enter executive session. All in favor; none opposed.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Cahall, Town Clerk*