

COMMON COUNCIL  
AUGUST 6, 2018  
7:00 P.M.  
CITY BUILDING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Shane Evans opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call: Carolyn Pearson, Brian Garrison, Richard Traeger, Dale Seward and Mike Shockley were present.

Mayor Evans introduced Pat Casserly, Clerk-Treasurer of Camden, as our special guest. Mrs. Casserly gave a brief overview of Camden. She related all the grants her town had taken advantage of and noted how her council were very conservative and have had their share of grant money in reserve. One of her favorite grants is the owner-occupied housing grant. Mrs. Casserly this is her favorite because it is a direct benefit to her residents. The Town of Camden has updated their disaster plan. Mrs. Casserly also noted the negotiations are still ongoing and the recycling project is coming.

Minutes from the meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July were presented for approval. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0)

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police: Steve Mullin had submitted a written report to the council members. He noted it had been a very busy month. His department is getting ready for Old Settlers and the Bacon Fest.

Street: Aaron Lyons had submitted a written report to the council members. He highlighted the refurbishing of the suspension bridge at Trailhead Park. He also noted the boardwalk at Riley Park had been pressure washed. Most of the cameras through the Trail Grant are up. So far, 12 families had signed up for the sidewalk program.

Water: Craig Myers had submitted a written report to the council members. He stated the wells had pumped 29,275,000 gallons of water and IPC had used 23,927,772 gallons. His men are painting the fire hydrants. ME Simpson had finished the valve inspections. There had been 2 water leaks. A valve insertion to connect the line up Riley Road had been completed.

Wastewater: Dick VanSickle had submitted a written report to the council members. He noted plans are continuing for the phosphorus building. Construction must be started in September per IDEM permit. We are controlled on this issue due to pumping over 1 million gallons. The building will be at the plant site and beside the west clarifier. The building will be 16 x 32 and will have water, electricity and heat. Cottage Street lift station needs the disconnect fuses installed.

Mayor: Mayor Evans had given the members a written report. He added the fly-in at the airport was really a good one with lots of participation. He noted he had spent most of the month working on finances for budget meetings and work on the water projects.

Area Plan: Dale Seward reported it had been a short meeting and did not apply to the city.

Community Building: Mike Shockley reported the building is complete on the inside.

Mayor Evans brought Ordinance 2018-3 B (Short Term Rental) for third and final reading. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to pass 2018-3B on third and final reading. Second by Richard Traeger. Motion carried. (5-0)

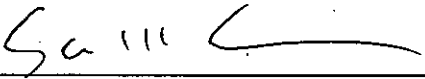
Mayor Evans proposed 2018-10 Time for Regular Meetings. The reason for this is to reduce the time in-between meetings on the first Monday of the month. Deale Seward stated he feels people would not have adequate time to attend the BOW meetings if they were moved to 5 or 5:15. Carolyn Pearson questioned if 6 for BOW and 7 for Council would work. She stated she does not want to change the time for council meetings since it has been so for so many years. Brian Garrison, Richard Traeger and Mike Shockley agreed to the 6:00 and 7:00 time. With no change to the meeting time of the Council, nothing more will be done to the ordinance.

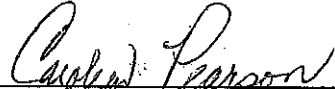
Mayor Evans stated there will be a meeting later in the month for the water projects and financing. Dale Seward asked if a new rate % for July was obtained. Mayor Evans stated he has not heard yet from Umbaugh.

Carolyn Pearson had read the recommendation from the park board to not ask Deer Creek Township for funds to help with summer recreation. Carolyn does not think this is fair to the residents of the city since everyone in the county can and do use the parks. The city residents should not have to bear all the expenses. She noted Deer Creek Township had always helped in the past and did not see a problem asking them to continue to do so.

Mayor Evans explained he had made a mistake in scheduling the first budget workshop for 6:30 and would like to see it changed to 5:30. The would be the meeting scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> of August. The second meeting (14<sup>th</sup>) is scheduled for 5:30. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to change the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> to 5:30. Second by Brian Garrison. Motion carried. (5-0)


With no further business, Carolyn Pearson made the motion to adjourn. Second by Mike Shockley. Motion carried. (5-0)

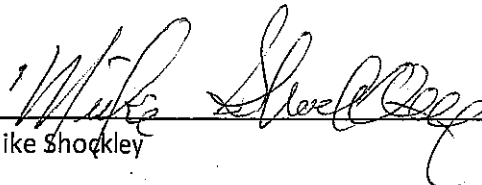
  
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