Camden moves forward with Main St. improvements

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Contributing writer

In the first meeting of the new year, the Camden Town Council discussed making improvements on Main St. New street lights and sidewalks are planned.

The council discussed the process for beginning the project. First, they will prepare and advertise a "request for qualifications" form for engineering firms. This is for engineers who may be interested in bidding the project to inform the council of their qualification. The council will score each firm and narrow them down to 3 to 5 to interview. The council hopes to find grant money to pay for the project.

"You've gotta' put a plan together before you go after the grants," said president Pete Wagoner.

The council will evaluate submissions from firms at their February meeting.

Town Street Superintendent Jerry Snavely was commended for saving the town $3,450 on the purchase of 25 tons of salt from INDOT. The regular price would have been $191 a ton, but Snavely purchased it for $53 a ton. INDOT also delivered the salt for free.

County road extension

Wagoner announced his support for the county commissioners' approval of the contract with the Troyer Group for the CR extension to SR75. He said there was some concern in the county about funding for the construction, but if there is no funding, construction will be delayed.

Wagoner also said the extension would be a boon to other construction in the area such as the industrial park planned by Carroll County Economic Development Corporation.

Wastewater upgrade

According to Wagoner, the IDEM permit for the new upgrade has been approved. The council signed a construction contract with Robert E. Crosby Construction Dec. 22. Construction is expected to begin in April.

"We're set to go on this," Wagoner said.

During construction, the sewer pond area, shooting range and burn pile will be locked down.

Unity Healthcare plans

Wagoner said that there is still nothing definite about how Unity Healthcare will staff a medical office in Camden, but that Unity does want to keep a presence in the town. He said that Unity must first purchase the practice from Dr. Anderson's estate.

Other business

Town Clerk Pat Casserly reported homes with improvements financed through the Indiana Housing Grant must now be inspected by a state inspector. Homeowners must also be satisfied with repairs. There will be a second public hearing during a regular board meeting to complete the grant process.

The council approved a transfer of funds to the employee health savings accounts.

Town offices will be closed Jan. 19 for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

The next meeting will be Feb.12.

Community Thank You

Thank you, ladies

The recent fire at The Andersons Cob Mill tasked the Camden-Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department, and others, heavily. Firefighters from our company operated tank trucks and maintained the water source for an estimated 137 hours. The duty was endless, cold and exhausting.

Having said that, each of our members sung the high praises of the Delphi fire department's Ladies Auxiliary. As a result of your coordinated and tireless efforts each of our firefighters received nourishment and the creature comforts needed to sustain such a large-scale operation.

Even though the gratitude may not have been expressed at the time, your performance above and beyond the call of duty was not lost on us. No words can truly express our appreciation for the amenities you provided.

Your role in this operation was an un-sung necessity. Each of you has earned a full measure of pride that accompanies selfless service to one's community.

Gary J. Stanley, lieutenant,
on behalf of the
Camden-Jackson Township
Volunteer Fire Department

Habitat for Humanity to build home for local veteran

Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette is currently seeking a local veteran to build a home with over the next year. To be eligible for this special project an individual or family must currently live or work in Carroll, Tippecanoe or White County and meet one of the following criteria:

✓ An active member of any branch of the military

✓ An honorably discharged veteran or the widow or widower of an honorably discharged veteran

✓ A combat-disabled veteran and their family

Building will begin in September 2009 and will be completed by Veteran's Day of that year. This project will provide military veterans and their families the opportunity to achieve the affordable homeownership.

Qualification requirements include a willingness to partner, the need for affordable housing and, and the ability to repay the mortgage. A family's income must be between 30% to 60% of the median income for Lafayette. For example, a family of four would earn a minimum of $17,950, while a family of four earning 60% of median would earn no more than $35,940.

Families who qualify, participate in financial and homeownership workshops, help build their home, pay a minimal down payment and purchase the house at a 25 year, 0% interest mortgage.

If your family is interested in applying or you know of a family that meets the requirements, contact Mary Megathlin at mary@lafayettehabitat.org or call (765) 423-4590.

Over the last 25 years, Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette has built more than 180 homes in Carroll, Tippecanoe and White counties. For more information about Habitat for Humanity of Lafayette, visit its website at www.lafayettehabitat.org.

Washington Twp.

Marilyn Hile
Deer Creek 859-4871

Faith Lutheran Church will have its annual congregational meeting and fellowship time on Sunday. The meeting will follow worship and a potluck lunch. There will be voting on amendments to the constitution and on financial figures for the church. All members are urged to attend.

Pastor Matt of Faith Lutheran is urging everyone to write a fond memory of something about their church. These thoughts will be published in the next newsletter. Stories do not have to be long.

Leroy Robeson Jr. celebrated his 95th birthday this week. A party was held in his honor at the home of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Robeson. Also attending were another son, Lloyd Robeson of Allentown, Pa,, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Robeson, Mr. and Mrs. David Pickens and children. Birthday cards may be sent to him at 5782 E. 750 N. Logansport, IN 46947.

Remember neighbors and friends with calls, visits and cards during this winter season.

Camden

Mary Whitfield
Camden 686-2553

Carroll County Church Ministries will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Camden First Baptist Church. Attorney Miriam Robeson will be guest speaker. All members are urged to attend.

Camden Woman's Literary Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the library. Hostesses will be Carol Briggs, and Susan Briggs. Judy Berkshire will serve redbush tea.

The recycling truck will be in Camden on Jan. 24.

Burlington

Cheryl Milburn
Burlington 566-3453

Church of Christ game night will be Saturday at 7 p.m. at Caldwell's. Those attending are asked to take snacks.

CWF will have a drawing for secret pals at the Monday meeting.

Faith CWF will meet Monday at 7 p.m.

Adult game night at Faith Church of Christ will be Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

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Delphi Police Dept.

Jan. 5, 12:30 p.m. – Property damage, SR25 at Washington St. Ladd E. Mercer, 19, Bristol, and Roberta Phipps, 47, Delphi. Sgt. Brook McCain responded.

Jan. 6, 12:30 a.m. – Property damage, CR100N. at US421. Mariluz Gomez, Lafayette, was treated by EMS at the scene. Officer Justin Wilson responded.

Jan. 7, 9:44 p.m. – Burglary, N. Union St. Male juvenile arrested and released to parents after a burglary report by Thomas Soper, 64, Delphi. Stolen items were recovered. Office Chuck Kent investigated.

Jan. 10, 8:30 p.m. – Warrant service, Delphi. Eric Isley, 38, Delphi, was arrested on a Carroll County warrant for check deception. Wilson responded.

Jan. 11, 2 p.m. – Property damage, Riley Rd. Brenda K. Goyer, 58, Delphi. McCain responded.

Jan. 11, 2:15 p.m. – Property damage, W. Monroe and Pearl streets. Jing Guo, 16, and Robert O. Kenworthy, 66, both of Delphi. Officer David Yeager responded.

Sheriff's Dept.

Criminal/non-criminal

Dec. 24, 2:35 a.m. – Illegal possession of alcohol by a minor, 532 N. Washington St., Delphi. Ross H. Malott, 20, Delphi, was jailed for minor consumption after a physical altercation resulting in medical treatment. Deputy Jason Dunning investigated.

Dec. 26, 7:46 p.m. – Child molestation, Dreifers Ave., Delphi. K-9 Deputy Tony Liggett investigated.

Dec. 29, 6:30 p.m. – Harassment, 438 W. Main St., Camden. Threatening telephone calls were received by Michael Urick. K-9 Deputy Mike Thomas investigated.

Jan. 4, 3:30 p.m. – Criminal mischief, 31N. 800W., Delphi. Bedroom window of the residence of Fred Collins was damaged with a BB. Sgt. Dennis Randle investigated.

Jan. 5, 11:27 a.m. – Forgery, San Benito, Texas. A worker at Indiana Packers was found to be using the Social Security number and date of birth of Yuri Rivera of Texas. The woman refused to supply law enforcement with her real identity and was arrested for forgery and identity deception. Maj. Tobe Leazenby investigated.

Jan. 6, 1:10 a.m. – Battery, 10W. 140S., Bringhurst. Deborah McCarty was allegedly battered by her sister. Liggett investigated.

Jan. 6, 11:49 p.m. – Driving while suspended/prior conviction, SR18, east of SR29. Aaron Smith, 25, Kokomo, was arrested during a routine traffic stop. Passenger Christopher D. Reynolds, 29, Jonesboro, was arrested on a felony warrant out of Grant County. Liggett investigated.

Jan. 7, 9:07 p.m. – Fraud, 2200S. SR75, Bringhurst. A credit card belonging to Cathy Ayres was used fraudulently. Thomas investigated.

Property damage

Dec. 19, 4 p.m. – 6567W. 100N. Roger L. Heer, 58, Lafayette and Jamie L. Ramirez, 20, Logansport. Ramirez was cited for a misdemeanor after it was discovered he had never possessed an Indiana driver's license. Randle responded.

Jan. 3, 10:24 a.m. – CR100 near US421. Debra L. Vaughn, 54, Monticello, and Joel F. Voorhees, 50, Bringhurst. Randle responded.

Jan. 3, 9:24 p.m. – CR525W. at US421. Clinton R. Gick, 16, Delphi. Thomas responded.

Jan. 4, 10 p.m. – CR425E. near SR218. Dustin L. Terry, 18, Indianapolis. Thomas responded.

Jan. 5, 11:45 a.m. – 6963N. 1200W. Vehicle registered to Linda J. Brook, Monticello, slipped into reverse, exited a driveway and hit a tree. Deputy John Chapman responded.

Jan. 5, 3:05 p.m. – US421 at CR100N. Juanfrancisco A. Serrano, 18, Lafayette, and Randy L. Rodgers, 30, Lafayette. Serrano was cited for an infraction and Rodgers was cited for a misdemeanor. Chapman responded.

Jan. 6, 12:05 p.m. – SR39 at Prince William Rd. Cynthia S. Stokdyk, 53, Delphi. Det. Kevin Hammond responded.

Jan. 6, 12:15 p.m. – US421 near CR400S. Curt Owen, 52, Mulberry. Chapman responded.

Jan. 6, 3:30 p.m. – Division Line Rd. near CR800W. William R. Cobbs, 35, Lafayette. Chapman responded.

Dec. 23, 11:50 p.m. – US421 at SR18. Robert Scroggs, 43, Delphi. Dunning responded.

Jan. 6, 9:15 p.m. – CR900 near CR875N. Jennifer R. Kauffman, 40, Monticello, was cited for two infractions. Dunning responded.

Jan. 10, 8:54 a.m. – SR25 near CR600W. Bonnie A. Neuman, 51, Fort Wayne. Hammond responded.

Jan. 10, 2:15 p.m. – CR1100N. near CR1000W. Irene Castillo, 22, Monticello. Passenger Ponciano N. Longoria, 36, Monticello, complained of pain. Chapman responded.

Jan. 10, 4:05 p.m. – Prince William Rd. near CR200S. James D. Melroy, 17, Flora. Chapman responded.

Jan. 11, 11 a.m. – CR350S. near CR400E. Jennifer M. Groves, 27, Bringhurst. Hammond responded.

Jan. 11, 11:15 p.m. – CR400S. near CR150W. Ryan L. Roth, 35, Cutler, was found partially ejected from his truck and was pronounced dead at the scene. Liggett responded.

Jan. 12, 7:01 a.m. – CR150S. near CR50E. Megan N. Coomler, 26, Cutler. Mullin responded.

Deer crash

Jan. 11, 6:50 a.m. - SR25 near Meridian Line Rd. Clint J. Fletcher, 35, Flora. Chapman responded.

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