

Town of Russiaville, Indiana  
Regular Council Meeting  
Russiaville Town Hall  
November 19, 2018

Council Present – Jeff Lipinski, Don Parvin, Rob Hewitt, and Kyle Parvin.  
Corbin King, the town’s attorney was also present.

Jeff Lipinski opened the meeting.

Jeff Lipinski gave prayer, and Kyle Parvin led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Plan Commission – Mike Kanable reported he had written one permit for a fence for Glenn Solberg.

Board of Zoning Appeals – No one present to report.

Russiaville Historical Society – Jan Koloszar was present to report. She said they had a small turnout at the meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>. Jan said that John Russell was at this meeting and he had stated the annex had no heat. He was just concerned about bathrooms freezing after putting all the work into them. Jan said there are space heaters in there. Craig Thompson interjected, saying that he had turned them on so the bathrooms should be fine. Craig said he would keep an eye on them through the cold months. Jan thanked him  
Jan also said there would be another Russiaville Historical meeting on December 5, 2018. She said she had recruited some people that were interested.

Park & Tree Board – Jill Newby was present, and stated the Russiaville Trail was too wet to pave, and now has gotten too cold. Dave Kieser was present and said it needs to be at least 50 degrees to lay asphalt on this project. This will probably have to wait until spring.

Jill Newby also said the 3 rock signs were installed. One at the Russiaville Town Park, one at the Western Heights pond, and the other at the Community Center park.

Jill also said they would like to put in one or two new trees in the Russiaville Town Park just in case the treatments on the existing ash trees did not work. This way we would have a couple trees established.

Rick Homkes said the rock signage was paid for by the donation they were given by Indiana American Water. On the back of the signs it says they were donated by them.

Rick Homkes also said the "Feed a Bee Grant" was close to being closed out.

There is about \$550.00 left for interpretive signage.

They are also working on another grant through the Community Foundation for artwork along the trail.

Summer Fest – Craig Thompson was present and stated the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas Celebration will be November 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:30 pm at the Town Hall.

Streets & Wastewater – Craig Thompson gave a written report. Craig added by saying they had started boring the line for the New London project on 775 W. today. They made it to 330 S.

Craig said we received the Community Crossings Grant for 2019 in the amount of \$141,937.50. He said we have received this grant the last 3 years, so he would not be surprised if we did not get it next year for 2020.

Don Parvin said he appreciates Craig and Mike's efforts helping him with the flag at the cemetery for Veterans Day.

Marshals Report – Carl Swan gave a written report. Carl said the tornado siren had been put up and tested, it works and sounds good. Carl gave a "shout out" to Pat Reel who painted the siren and got it ready to put up. Carl said "we need to show Pat Reel some love."

Carl said he had been working on finding a grant for the AED that he had talked about in the previous meeting. He stated the one that he would like to use would be around \$700.00, but would still cost \$1,800.00 plus shipping. Carl stated that since he has been on RPD (Russiaville Police Dept.) he has seen the need for an AED several times. If he had had access to one, he could have used it. This cost is only for one AED, but one is better than none, and maybe in the future we could get one for the other two police vehicles.

Council questioned Megan about where the money could be taken from to be able to get an AED.

Don Parvin said he was all for this, but it is hard when we do not have the money appropriated and we have to try to figure out where to get the money from. Carl Swan said he understands that, but the grant paperwork for this expires the end of this month.

Rob Hewitt made a motion to allow the AED to be purchased through the grant that Carl has applied for and for the money to be taken out of Riverboat. Kyle Parvin seconded, and the motion carried with Rob, Kyle, and Don voting for passage.

Carl said Randy Vannatter would hopefully be back by the end of December if all goes well.

Rob Hewitt said he had the opportunity to watch K-9 Niko in action last week. The dog hit on Marijuana, and he walked up to the door and just sat down. Rob said he was really impressed. It was cool. Carl said he was glad Rob got to see it. Peggy Hollingsworth said he had the K-9 at the library recently too. Carl said yes, he had Niko at the library and read to the kids.

Treasurer's report – written reports were given. Megan Reel stated the CD's at the bank were coming due again. They are 182-day CD's. Don Parvin made a motion to renew all 3 CD's at the same 182-day term. Rob Hewitt seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Rob, and Kyle voting for passage.

Megan Reel gave council copy of the salary ordinance and figures on raises for them to look at before the salary ordinance comes about next month.

Jeff Lipinski said they had not been in a position before to be able to transfer funds to save some, but he would like Megan to check with SBOA on transferring up to 10% of the monies left over to the Rainy-Day fund for this year.

Dave Kieser – RBDG sidewalk and lighting, they are working on specifications. Stormwater study is pretty much done. Looking for funding on this project. We currently do not qualify for OCRA grants, we are out of that range because of our income. We will probably have to seek other funding for this. He will look into this. Interurban building, there are some grants coming up for this one. Save our American Treasurers, HPF grant, and the Heritage Support grant are the 3 grants we hopefully can get.

They are looking at the analysis for the wastewater system. The Town qualifies for several grant regarding the wastewater system.

Dave said Megan Reel got a call from Will Gay at INDOT and he was asking for our information on our Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). We did an ADA plan back in June with the anticipation that someone would call, and now they have. We had about 95% of the information. We need to pass 2 resolutions tonight for this.

Resolution 2018-05 – a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Russiaville, Indiana adopting the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) ADA Coordinator and procedures. Craig Thompson will be the ADA Coordinator for the Town. Don Parvin made a motion to accept resolution 2018-05 as read. Rob Hewitt seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Rob, and Kyle voting for passage.

Resolution 2018-06 – a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Russiaville, Indiana adopting the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility guidelines for standards and for accessible design and guidelines for pedestrian facilities in the public right-of-way. Don Parvin made a motion to accept resolution 2018-06 as read. Kyle Parvin seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Kyle, and Rob voting for passage. Dave said the Park and Tree Board will have to have copies of these resolutions for the next 5-year master plan.

Jeff Davidson – Corbin King and Jeff are working on.

Ordinance 2018-11 – tabling for now.

Don Parvin said Seward Street has no speed limit. Ted Miller said he trimmed the trees on the corner of First and Seward streets and now he says people are speeding. Don asked if we could pre-determine the speed limit there since it was on a curve. Corbin King said there would have to be an engineering study done.

Don Parvin said he has an issue with the speed limit on Main Street. 55 mph speed limit sign out west and east and then it goes to 30 mph. He will get a hold of the state and see what can be done.

Don Parvin asked about the TIF board that need to be paid for 2018. Jeff Lipinski said they need to be paid \$500.00 in December. Megan is to find out from SBOA where to pay them from.

Don Parvin would like to set up a meeting to look at the budget and where we are at as of the end of the year, to make out budget better in the coming years.

Jeff Lipinski said that Green Acres said they are interested in meeting with himself and Don and Corbin and Dave. They do not want to tie into Russiaville, but want to see what the options could be for us to do something with their plant. Craig said he would like to be into the meeting too. Jeff said this will not be like New London. Don Parvin made a motion to discuss the Green Acre situation. Kyle Parvin seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Kyle, and Rob voting for passage.

Don Parvin would like to have an executive session. This will be scheduled for 6:00 pm on December 17<sup>th</sup> before the regular council meeting.

Derick Martin was present and asked if something could be done about the RV sign that is at the corner of Seward and Union Streets. It is hard to see around it and he almost got hit the other day as he could not see to the south.

Dave Kieser said if it is causing a hazard and in the right of way it has to be moved. Jeff Lipinski asked Dave to send him the information and he would take care of it.

Jeff Condo was present and said thank you for paving part of the Honey Creek Hills subdivision. He has had several comments from the residents. Mr. Condo asked about the curve, and Don Parvin told him to talk to Craig after the meeting.

Dennis Schermer said earlier this year there was discussion about carpeting the Community Center, and wondered if that was still in the works. Jeff Lipinski said that Jeff Stout strongly advised against it. He said it would be a problem, and we would have to replace it every 5-7 years.

Peggy Hollingsworth said she agrees with Derick on the sign of Seward and Union. There is also a sign hanging on the fence too that makes it hard to see too. Dave Kieser is working on this.

Mark Fulk is present and asked about changing the College Street name. Mr. Fulk asked who Daniel Jones is. Don Parvin clarified that it is just a historical memorial. The name of the street has not been changed. It is still College Street.

Mr. Fulk said he would have appreciated someone contacting him before the pipe for the New London project was rolled out into his field. He just wants communication. Don Parvin said this was brought up in the pre-construction

meeting and the property owners should be notified of the happenings. Mr. Fulk just wants to work together so everything with this project goes smooth. Jeff Lipinski said he would call “the powers that be” tomorrow about this.

There being no further business to be brought before the council, the claims were presented and approved.

Rob Hewitt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kyle Parvin seconded, and the meeting came to an end.

Jeff Lipinski, President

Megan Reel, Clerk Treasurer