

Town of Russiaville, Indiana
Regular Council Meeting
Russiaville Town Hall
February 28, 2022

Council Present – Jeff Lipinski, Don Parvin, Pat Reel, Myrna Claar, and Greg Landrum

Jeff Lipinski gave prayer. Don Parvin led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jeff Lipinski opened the meeting.

Minutes from last month's meeting and one special meeting on February 23rd were approved.

Greg Sheline was present from the Howard County Plan Commission to discuss the Multi-Hazard Plan. This is updated every 5 years. This is a system that Howard County EMA uses, and is important for them to get grants.

Don Parvin made a motion to accept the County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution 2022-02. Myrna Claar seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Myrna, Pat, and Greg voting for passage.

Treasurer's Report – Megan Reel had reports. She added she had gotten the Annual Report submitted and published in the paper this last Friday.

Streets and Wastewater – Craig Thompson was present and had a written report. Craig stated they had gotten all the sewer issues fixed at the plant. There was a return line plugged on the west tank. They were finally able to get it drained, and unclogged.

They fixed a sewer line today on N. Union St. Duke Energy had run a ground rod through it and caused it to backup. This happened when they put in the new poles down Union St. Don Parvin said he had contacted Donnie from Duke Energy and was waiting on someone to call him back to deal with this issue.

Craig said the sprinkler heads had been put back in at the Community Center after the issues of them leaking had been fixed. While they were there, they found that the furnace condensation line was leaking and were repairing that.

Craig also said they had gotten a quote on fixing the driveway at the Wastewater Plant. Merrell Bros. comes in with their tankers to get sludge out and with the driveway being so narrow it is hard for them to get in there and the yard has become a mess. Crenshaw Paving quote is for \$29,250.00. This will include a stone shoulder across the street. Pat Reel made a motion to allow Crenshaw Paving to fix the driveway with the quoted price and for the money to come out of wastewater. Greg Landrum seconded, and the motion carried with Pat, Greg, Don, and Myrna voting for passage.

Don Parvin would like to commend Craig and Paul for dealing with the recent sewer plant issues day and night.

Marshal's Dept. – Josh Fulkerson was present, and had a written report. Josh was donning the new Class A uniforms that the council approved.

Stalker radar detector is on the way.

The Durango is in the shop, no updates on it yet.

Josh said he would like the council to ok them doing a community event partnering with the library. They were all fine with it.

Josh would like to get "leadsonline." This is a tool for them to use if there was a theft and they tried to pawn the items, it would put info out to all departments.

Don Parvin made a motion to allow Josh to get this. Myrna Claar seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Myrna, Pat, and Greg voting for passage.

Josh is working on addresses for residences for emergency services (#6 old business). He is working his way around town to deal with the ones that need a more visible address on their houses.

Josh said he is working on a Hazard Plan for Russiaville. Compiling numbers and anything that would be needed if there was an emergency catastrophe.

Jeff Lipinski said that Josh recently spoke at the Lions Club as a community event. Jeff said Josh did a real nice job representing the town and answering questions.

Pat Reel said that EMA received another tanker, so that is great support for the county as far as being able to haul water with another fire truck.