

Town of Russiaville, Indiana  
Budget Adoption for 2023 budget  
Russiaville Town Hall  
October 24, 2022

Council Present – Jeff Lipinski, Don Parvin, Pat Reel, and Myrna Claar  
Corbin King, town attorney, was also present.

Ned Sutherland gave prayer. Pat Reel led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jeff Lipinski opened the Budget Adoption meeting for 2023 Budget.

Jeff Lipinski read the figures for the 2023 Budget. Adopted budget is \$924,304.00 with a tax levy of \$389,211.00 and tax rate of 1.2622. Adopted budget for home-ruled funds are \$364,596.00. Total for the budget is \$1,288,900. Pat Reel made a motion to adopt the 2023 budget figures as read. Myrna Claar seconded, and the motion carried with Pat, Myrna, and Don voting for passage.

There were no comments from the council or guests.  
Jeff Lipinski closed the 2023 Budget Adoption meeting.

Jeff Lipinski – Council President  
Megan Reel – Clerk Treasurer

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Regular Council Meeting  
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Council Present – Jeff Lipinski, Don Parvin, Pat Reel, and Myrna Claar.  
Corbin King, the town's attorney was also present.

Minutes from the September meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Megan Reel gave written reports. Megan said the SBOA audit was now complete. There was a distribution on 6/14/2021 that was put in the Local Roads and Street Fund in error in the amount of \$1,985.63, and it should have been put in the MVH Restricted Fund. This has been corrected. There were a couple of things fixed on the 2021 AFR (Annual Financial Report). Most of the rest was to do with internal controls, the council is helping to rectify these things by signing and double checking, starting August 2022.

Streets/Wastewater – Don Parvin said he didn't think there was anything to report.

Marshal's Dept. – Josh Fulkerson left a written report. Pat Reel said Josh would not be here as he has had training all week.

EMA Advisory – Pat Reel said nothing new that he knew of.

Attorney Comments – Corbin King asked about redistricting wards. He asked if the council still wanted districts or if they wanted to do away with them. He usually asks after the census comes out every 10 years. The council thought we should keep the districts to represent different areas of the town.

Corbin asked about the piece of property between the library and 312 N. East St. Megan said she talked to the library and the homeowner and they were both aware of what Corbin suggested at the previous meeting.

Bob Rutherford was present and wanted to buy part of the land at the New London plant site. Corbin will look into this and work on what could be done legally and the easiest way for everyone involved.

Don Parvin asked Corbin about the agreement with Roger Carter. Corbin said it was voted on at the last meeting and he is working on it.

Plan Commission – No one was present to report.

Board of Zoning Appeals – No new business to report.

TIF Board – Roger Waddell was present and said the next meeting is scheduled for October 27<sup>th</sup>.

Historical Society – Dave Kieser said we are going to bid out the interior project at the Interurban building next month, and take it as far as the grant money will allow. He had plans drawn up. Dave said this is not just going to be a building that will sit there that people will visit occasionally. This will be a usable facility as a coffee shop, etc. for example. He wants to make it an economically viable building. The next grant he would like to apply for is an economic grant and that will be in February. Don Parvin said the paving needs to be included in this. Dave agreed.

Dave said he is still working on money for the wastewater project. It is out there. cities and towns are getting it.

Park and Tree Board – Jill Newby was present and said they had raised \$450.00 on the basket raffle. The trees will be trimmed at the Community Center Park this Thursday, Jill asked if they could pile the limbs for the town workers to pick up. Don Parvin said that would be fine, he would have Paul get them.

Honey Creek Ditch – There was discussion about how to get this cut and cleaned up and who's responsibility it was. Pat Reel asked if he had talked to Greg Lake. Jeff Lipinski said he sees him and would talk to him about it.

Solar Speed limit signs – Don Parvin said with the budget for next year he didn't think we should spend the money. Don Parvin made a motion not to do speed limit signs at this time. Pat Reel seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Pat, and Myrna voting for passage.

Ned Sutherland was present to talk about Turnabout. Ned said they are working on working something out to not have the for-sale sign in the front of the building. It doesn't look good being a new facility and being for sale. Ned also said they are officially open with scheduled hours starting this week. They are working on finding people struggling with addiction in Russiaville.

Jeff Lipinski said Trick-r-Treat has been on the sign but is Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> from 5-8 pm.

Pat Reel said the last Farmer's Market was yesterday. Pat said he had talked to Lexi about changing it back to once a month and possibly finding a place along 26 to draw more people in. She was receptive and is going to work on a few changes for next year.

Don Parvin said he and Josh from Duke Energy and John from Kieser Consulting had been working on the 14 new lights that were to be put in on 26. The placement of them has caused some challenges.

Don Parvin said he is still working on the contract with Waste Management to include businesses. He is waiting on them to get back with him.

There being no further business to be brought before the council, the claims, receipts, payrolls, bank recs, and time sheets were presented and approved. Don Parvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Myrna Claar seconded, and the meeting came to an end.

Jeff Lipinski, President

Megan Reel, Clerk Treasurer