

Town of Russiaville, Indiana
Regular Council Meeting
Town Hall
March 27, 2023

Council Present – Don Parvin, Pat Reel, Myrna Claar, and Greg Landrum.
Corbin King, the town’s attorney was also present.

Myrna said a prayer, and Greg Landrum led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the February meeting and a special meeting on March 20, 2023 were approved.

Treasurer’s Report – Megan Reel gave written reports.

Streets/Wastewater – Don Parvin said Craig and Paul could not be here tonight. Don thanked Pat for doing a few repairs and things at the community center. Don Parvin said there were issues with the east tank strainer at the sewer plant. Craig Thompson has spent a lot of extra time taking care of this issue, and it is fixed.

Marshal’s Dept. – Josh Fulkerson was present and had a written report. Pat Reel asked how Max (k9) was coming along. Josh said he is very close, and would hopefully be certified in the next month or two.

Pat Reel said the tornado sirens that were not working properly, are now and went off correctly yesterday.

Greg Landrum said he thinks Josh and Carl do a nice job for our town.

Greg also asked about shutting down State Rd. 26, and said the traffic will be diverted to the county line. He asked about putting a flashing stop sign south of town to help with traffic knowing they need to stop. The council said that would be a county call. Josh said he would contact them.

EMA Advisory – No business to report.

Fire Department - No business to report.

Health Department – No Business to report.

Attorney Comments – Corbin King said we got to appraisals for the property at 3949 S. 775 W. and they came in at an average of \$18,000.00. \$15,000.00 is our proposal, and we would pay for closing costs, and title insurance. The existing owner of the property would be responsible for the taxes. Corbin had the offer to purchase. Myrna Claar made a motion to proceed with the offer to purchase, and everything that needs to be done. Pat Reel seconded, and the motion carried with Myrna, Pat, and Greg voting for passage.

Corbin King said on the New London property that Mr. Rutherford would like to buy, since the value is less than \$15,000.00, we can narrow the people to bid on it to the abutting land owners. Pat Reel made a motion to proceed with the sale of the property to the abutting land owner with the highest bid. Myrna Claar seconded. Myrna asked if Mr. Rutherford was informed of what he would have to pay for the property and everything that would have to transpire to do the sale. Corbin said that Don Parvin had contacted him about it. The motion carried with Pat, Myrna, and Greg voting for passage.

Corbin said he had talked to the Humane Society about the changes that our Marshal had asked to change in our contract. Corbin said they were receptive to looking at it and discussing it, they said they would get back with him. Corbin had language on the alcohol wording for the community center agreement. The council will look at it and let Corbin know.

Plan Commission – Mike Kanable was present and said he had no new business.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Roger Waddell said there was no new business.

TIF Board – Roger Waddell said they are getting finalized on the new signs for the town. They will bring it to the council when it is. Roger also said they were waiting on one more quote for the generator at the community center, they will look at them all at the next TIF meeting.

Pat Reel said he has heard good things about the new lights on the west end of town. They are still working on a few things like the color of the bulb, but looks good.

Historical Society – Nothing new to report.