

Town of Russiaville, Indiana  
Regular Council Meeting  
Russiaville Town Hall  
May 13, 2025

Council Present – Roger Waddell, Pat Reel, Don Parvin, and Greg Landrum  
Corbin King, attorney, was also present.

Roger Waddell called the meeting to order.  
Don Parvin said a prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roger Waddell said the minutes from the March meeting, and a special meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup> were not approved at the April meeting, and need to be, along with the April minutes. Don Parvin made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular March meeting, the special meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the regular April minutes. Pat Reel seconded, and the motion carried with all present council members voting for passage.

Treasurer's Report - Megan Reel gave written reports. She added that the ARPA report was completed through the SLFRF Treasury portal on 4/29/2025.

Streets/Wastewater – Craig Thompson was unable to be here but left a written report.

Marshal's Dept. – Josh Fulkerson was present and gave a written report. He had a copy of the recent press release regarding case# RPD25-0014. Josh brought up the table that was damaged by the youth at the park, saying that Kinsey Youth Center has said that all criminal proceedings are completed. This leaves the collection of the funds up to the town to pursue civilly.

The Durango is getting ready to go back in the shop with A/C issues and an oil leak.

Josh said the property at 210 N. Cooper and 323 Carter St. have been cleaned up. 257 Lee St. is the only one that has not been cleaned up. Megan Reel added that they had not received the letter as of yet. It is at the post office pending the homeowner's pick-up.

Josh said the Howard County Sheriff's office is currently working with E&B Paving to resurface and rebuild 931. HC Sheriff's office asked if he and Carl would be interested in working security detail for this. Josh asked the board if he and Carl could work the 931 detail while they are off duty, since this needs board approval according to our personnel policy. Pat Reel made a motion to allow Josh and Carl to work the 931 detail while they are off duty. Greg Landrum seconded. Don Parvin was opposed. Roger Waddell voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried with Pat, Greg, and Roger voting for passage.

Josh Fulkerson invited Logan Jarrett out to the floor, stating that last Thursday, Logan was recognized by the Howard County Sheriff's office and given the distinguished service award for his fast-acting bravery in a recent accident scene. Josh would like to also recognize Officer Deputy Marshal Logan Jarrett here today, as this same bravery is what makes him a great police officer both on and off duty. Everyone congratulated Logan.

Roger Waddell asked Josh how the parade went. Josh said he had a couple of minor issues that he will take note about for next year. Don Parvin said there were several people hit with candy that he witnessed, and it was pretty bad. Not exactly sure how to remedy this but we need to try. It needs to be more stressed to not rocket the candy into the crowd.

Roger also asked Josh about the siren at the town hall not going off this past weekend. Josh will look into this and get the issue fixed quickly.

EMA Advisory – Josh Fulkerson said there was nothing new to report.

Public Safety – Nothing to report.

Health Department – Rick Homkes said May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm is the next crisis ready preparedness meeting at the Lions Club. This one will be on hot weather preparedness, plus they will have CPR and AED training for a \$25 cost.

Attorney Comments – Corbin King said he would look into how to proceed with what to do with the vandalism now that Kinsey has closed their portion.

Plan Commission – Mike Kanable was present and had no new business to report.

Board of Zoning Appeals – No new business to report.

TIF Board – Rick Homkes said they working on getting stone around the new Russiaville signs. They have also met with the school to start a discussion about how to improve the Western championship signs.

Historical Society – Nothing new to report.

Park and Tree Board – Janna Hyman was present and said since they have been approved for the playground through the DNR, they have redone all the numbers of what they will need for the project. Since pricing is higher than when they started this process, as it took a long time, Janna said they went back to the Community Foundation and asked for \$50K. She said they will have to look at everything and see what they can do. Also, there is a line item for light poles on the playground projection for \$33,500.00, Janna said Dave Kieser told them that he would go to Duke Energy and it would just be added on to the towns bill. Janna said they need the town's approval for that to happen. There was some discussion and questions about this, and Pat Reel made a motion to table Dave talking to Duke Energy about the poles and lighting until Pat finds out more info. Greg Landrum seconded, and the motion carried with all present council members voting for passage.

Roger Waddell said the green state "Russiaville" signs will be taken down by the state as there was approval to do so since out new signs were installed.

Dave Kieser – Nothing new to report.

Don Parvin said the Interurban Phase II plan was okayed a year ago and there is still no plan laid out to be able to start doing it. Don Parvin made a motion for Dave Kieser to have the plans for this by the June meeting. Don is frustrated with the projects that have been hanging out there for too long now and is ready for them to move forward. Greg Landrum seconded, and the motion carried with all present council members voting for passage.



Ordinance 2025-01, an Ordinance Annexing Contiguous Territory to the Town of Russiaville (5-acres for an eventual wastewater plant) was brought forth. This was passed on the first reading at the public hearing on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

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Roger Waddell asked Pat Reel about the roof leak at the Community Center. Pat Reel said there was a leak by the boot around the vent pipe. It has been fixed.

Pat Reel also said that he had been in contact with John Ellison about the grass seed by the sidewalks. Since it is not coming up and is very weedy, John said he would have this taken care of with the contractor.

Don Parvin wants to revisit the Hometown Heroes banners and make a motion to do 32 banners, and put banners on the big utility poles too. Motion died for lack of a second. Pat Reel said he will need to get some other information for the other poles and see how that would be handled. Rick Homkes said he would like to keep the seasonal banners.

Greg Landrum said he had noticed that Roger Waddell had been voting during motions, and asked Corbin King about this, as the president has not voted in the past. Corbin said the president has the right to vote as we are not a 3<sup>rd</sup> class city.

Rick Homkes said for Arbor Day, the library and Park and Tree Board distributed 100 trees. The Lions Club had a trash pick up day along State Road 26 just east of Russiaville where they picked up 30 bags of trash and a large patio umbrella. Rick thanked Russiaville Police Department and EMA for traffic control and safety that day, and also thanked the volunteers who came out to help.

Rick Homkes said 84 trees were planted on the 5-acres on 775 W. (West St.) on May 10th. There were 36 volunteers from various groups from town. Don Parvin

thanked Rick Homkes and Pat Reel for working on the logistics of the tree planting, it went very well.

Lori Seaman from the library said there is an event coming up this weekend (17<sup>th</sup>), there will be a food truck all day, and Library Con event, and a movie at 9 pm. Also, the library and Russiaville Police Dept. are working on the bike rodeo that will be coming up on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Roger Waddell thank you to the coordinators of senior community work day, and also a big thank you to the senior class for coming out and doing the many jobs around town to make things look nice and to give back to our town. He has heard nothing but good things about it.

Roger Waddell said Russiaville Food Mart wanted to put in a drive-up window and sent some plans to us. They were reviewed by Dave Kieser, who told them it did not meet the zoning requirements. The owners of the Food Mart did not want to accept that as they think there is enough room to have a drive-up window, and wanted the council to consider this again. Don Parvin said if Dave has told them they cannot do it per our ordinance and requirements then that is what we have to go on. Corbin agreed with this.

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. Pat Reel seconded, and the meeting came to an end at 5:59pm.

Roger Waddell, President  
Megan Reel, Clerk Treasurer



## **Russiaville Utility Report May 2025**

### **RUSSEVILLE WW:**

- Total gallons treated for May 3,876,000.
- Avg. monthly flow was 125,000 (62%).
- Avg. flow for 2024 was 136,000 (68%).
- Avg. flow for 2023 was 126,000 (63%).
- Avg. flow for 2022 was 134,000 (67%).
- Avg. flow for 2021 was 127,000 (63%).
- Avg. flow for 2020 was 133,000 (67%).
- Avg. flow for 2019 was 175,000 (88%).
- Completed monthly report for April.
- Jetted sewer line in alley west of Carter St.
- Did sewer inspection for the new gas station.
- Changed air filters in the blowers.
- Greased the blowers and skimmer motors.
- Cleaned floats at the HCH lift station.

### **STREETS AND MISC:**

- Performed several locates.
- Read meters.
- Cleaned storm drains.
- Sprayed weeds.
- Changed out meter and touch pad at 217 S. West St.
- Called in 3 lights to Duke Energy.
- Delivered 1 new trashcan.
- Filled pothole on North Union St. and North Liberty St.
- Graded 4 allies.
- Contacted INDOT to remove the Russiaville signs on 26.

### **MILEAGE AND MAINTENANCE:**

- 2020 Ford mileage – 17,460 miles
- 2017 Dodge mileage – 28,573 miles
- Sewer truck hours – 1 hrs. of service
- Backhoe hours – 3821 hours
- 2021 John Deere Z950m – 261 hours
- 2024 John Deere Z950m – 42 hours
- 2019 John Deere 3046r – 456 hours
- 2008 Golf cart - 2616 hours.
- Kubota – 1207 hours.

Craig – (76 Vacation Hours) (0 Sick Days) (20 Comp Hours)

Paul –





# Russiaville Police Department

## Monthly Report

Month of: May-25

### Calls for Service

Abandoned Vehicle	
Accidents	1
Accident - Hit/Skip	1
Additional Investigation	3
Alarm Calls	
Animal Calls	
Armed Robbery	
Arrests	
Assist Citizen	9
Assist Motorist	1
Assist Other Agency	
Battery	
Burglary	
Building Checks	23
City Ordinance	2
Civil	
Court	
Criminal Recklessness	
Death Investigation	
Directed Patrols	132

Domestic Violence	1
Drug Violation	
Emergency Detention Order	
Escort	
Fight Calls	1
Fire	
Found Property	
Fraud	
Harassment	1
Illegal Dumping	
Incomplete 911	
Investigate For	1
Juvenile Trouble	1
Medical	1
Mental	
Mischief	
Missing Person	
Motor Check	4
Neighborhood Disturbance	
Neighborhood Policing	

Open Door/Window	
Overdose	
OWI	
Pursuit	
Rape	
Residential Entry	
Shots Fired	
Special Detail	
Suspicious Person	
Suspicious Vehicle	1
Theft	1
Threat	
Traffic Enforcement	28
Traffic Stops	42
Training	
Trespass Calls	
Unlock Vehicle	
Unwelcome Guest	
Warrants	
Welfare Check	4
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>258</b>

### Vehicles

2021 Dodge Durango
2019 Dodge Charger
2016 Chevy Tahoe

**Total**

### Driven

### Fuel

### Ending Mileage

972	81.5	30716
1479	143.5	97443
452	58	97973
<b>2903</b>	<b>283</b>	

### Hours (W-Work T-Training C-Comp S-Sick H-Holiday V-Vacation)

	W	T	C	S	H	V
R1	138					40.75 / 40 / 48 / 40
R2	130	10				19.28 / 8 / 68 / 80

	W	T
R3	16	
R4	43	

### Report

323 Carter St - Cleaned up; 257 Lee St. - Delivered 6/2 ; Bike Rodeo June 14 10a-12p ;  
Durango Repair ; Off Duty Employment



# **RUSSIAVILLE PLAN COMMISSION**

**MIKE KANABLE**

**May 2025**

25/308 – Chritine Hewitt – 5-14-2025 – Garage 547 North Union St.

25/309 – Karina Hale – 5-20-25 – Chicken Coop – 324 North Union St.

25/310 – White Oaks Const. – 5-21-2025 – Peddlers permit – Canvassing.