

Town of Russiaville, Indiana
Regular Council Meeting
Jeff Stout Community Center
December 27, 2022

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

Corbin King, the town's attorney was also present. (Came in late)

Jeff Lipinski said a prayer, and Don Parvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the November meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Megan Reel gave written reports.

Streets/Wastewater – Craig Thompson gave a written report. A couple of comments were made that the roads looked good. They were well maintained from the latest snow.

Marshal's Dept. – Josh Fulkerson gave a written report. Don Parvin asked about extra cameras at the park. Josh said it is doable and would not exceed \$300.00. Don Parvin made a motion to get the cameras for the park. Myrna Claar seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Myrna, Pat, and Greg voting for passage.

Don Parvin also asked about 1 more at the Community Center. Josh said he would talk to Jordan about it.

Jeff Lipinski said the council would need to look at the department advisory members for 2023.

EMA Advisory – Pat Reel said nothing new to report.

Attorney Comments – Corbin King was not present.

Plan Commission – Mike Kanable was present and said he had a peddlers permit for White Oak Construction.

Board of Zoning Appeals – No new business to report.

TIF Board – Roger Waddell was present. Don Parvin thanked the TIF Board for working with the council and funding the new lighting project on Main Street.

Historical Society – Nothing new to report.

Park and Tree Board – Jill Newby was present and said they would like to introduce Jeremy Burns, and have the council recommend him to be on the Park Board. Don Parvin made a motion to allow this and bring Jeremy Burns on to the Park Board. Pat Reel seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Pat, Myrna, and Greg voting for passage.

Jill said they received \$930.00 from their recent basket raffle. Jill said they also had a donation from Jodi Clark. Jill went on to say that Jodi's employer very generously gives their employees \$500.00 to donate to a charity of their choice, and she chose the Park Board for the inclusive playground.

Jill said they would like to replace the swing in Brady Park and use the money in the Park Rehab appropriation. They have a quote from Playpros for \$2,540.00, and Playpros will install it for free. We would just need to provide a bag or 2 of cement. Don Parvin made a motion to allow the park board to purchase new swing frame. Myrna Claar seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Myrna, Pat, and Greg voting for passage.

Rick Homkes said they are close to \$14,000.00 that has been raised for the inclusive playground so far. He realizes that is a far cry from the \$400,000.00 they need, but they are working on it.

Rick would like to ask the council to earmark \$5,140.00 from the Gene Parks money for the community center playground project, and \$3,500.00 from the American Waster donations received in the past for the town parks and playground rehab out of Park Fund 2204. Earmarking is not spending, but this will help with the grant process. The council discussed this.

Don Parvin made a motion to allow the Park Board to earmark the money discussed that is in Fund 2204 and allow Megan to handle this when the time arose to be able to do it correctly as far as appropriations and SBOA is concerned. Pat Reel seconded, and the motion carried with Don, Pat, Myrna, and Greg voting for passage.