

Town of Fortville

08.21.2023

Town Council Meeting

Opening of Meeting:

The meeting was held at Fortville Town Hall, 714 E. Broadway. Meeting was called to order by Council President Fritz Fentz at 7:00 pm.

Present:

Fritz Fentz, President; Tonya Davis, Vice President; Becky Davis, Council Member; Ryan Rummell, Council Member; Joe Renner, Town Manager; Alex Intermill, Town Attorney.

Not Present:

Libby Wyatt, Missy Glazier

Approval of Agenda:

Tonya Davis made the motion to approve the agenda with Becky Davis seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

Approval of Minutes

Fritz Fentz made the motion to approve the August 7, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes with corrections. Becky Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

New Business:

- a. Introduction of new Street & Utilities Department member – Chris Hunter provides introductory statements of work history and 1st day of work Thursday.
- b. Council to consider appointing an individual to the Redevelopment Commission (RDC) and Plan Commission - FF proposes tabling to talk to the candidates before making a decision - JR states that the candidates are in the audience - Chris McCreight provides background comments and desire to be on the RDC - Mike Siebert - provides statements about background and desire to be on RDC - Friend of Kathy Connelly states she is very interested - AZ comments that possible to move A. Jeschke to elected seat of BZA to free up a seat for RDC and Plan Commission - Discussion regarding party affiliation of

candidates (both state they are Republicans) - Council tables issue until K. Connelly can present to the council.

- c. Brian Brees, Agent – Walker-Hughes Insurance & Mike Schau, Account Rep - Burnham & Flower, to address the Council considering the Town of Fortville P&C Insurance Update / Review - Brian Brees provides update on policy changes and rates especially related to the new water plant - approximately \$3800 increase for 2023-24 - Mike Schau provides additional comments related to transitioning to Tokio Marine from Trident - B. Brees explains that workers comp is a separate provider and rate went up due to significant claim and states that he and JR have started safety meetings every other month with Town employees/departments - JR states his appreciation for the work done to get the best rates - B. Brees comments that they have gotten a grant for the Spin Dr valve turner as well. TD moves to change insurance to Tokio Marine / BD seconds - 4-0
- d. Council to consider holding 1st Reading on Ordinance No. 2023-8A, a rezone of approximately 1.68 acres at the southwest corner of W. Broadway St. and W. Garden St. (Parcel No. 30-02-16-200-001.011-017) from Commercial: Neighborhood (CN) to Commercial: Community (CC) for a proposed AutoZone store - AZ provides summary of the proposed rezone and process and asks for any initial input from council - TD asks if INDOT is ok with entrance on Broadway - AZ states we don't know yet - FF asks how much of the site is in the flood plain - AZ states waiting on the surveyor's office and building plan will be presented at the Plan Commission - TD moves to approve 1st reading / BD 2nds - 4-0 approved.

Old Business:

N/A

Department Head Reports:

Town Manager:

N/A

Parks Manager:

Heath Luther updates that Kami's Kause is this weekend - Head Start program has moved effective August 5 or 6 and no hard feelings and HL is looking for alternate uses including potential workout facility in the space supported by a health org - JR asks about the condition of the space - HL states it is in good condition and may do some minor work to transition to a different use.

Planning & Building Director:

N/A

Clerk-Treasurer:

Not Present

Police Chief:

Patrick Bratton states that the police department did Blazer 88 ride last weekend that went well and Kami's Kause this weekend - thanks Andy for updating the photos online - thanks Fields USA for donating field stop simulator - thanks RDC for funds for new AEDs

Town Attorney:

N/A

Public Comment:

No one wished to speak.

Council Members:

Fritz Fentz

States that he wants to step down as Town Council president and next meeting Council will select a new president.

Tonya Davis

N/A

Becky Davis

States she went to Madison Lofts for a tour and the apartments look very nice - asks if Building and Fire Inspectors have been out - AZ confirms that they have multiple times through the construction process and that a temporary Cert of Occupancy has been issued and allows them to move in furniture and appliances but not residents, which expires in September - BD asks if a report will be created for the final approval - AZ confirms that it will be created and available for review.

Libby Wyatt

N/A

Ryan Rummell

N/A

Approve and Sign Vouchers:

Tonya Davis made the motion to approve and sign vouchers with Becky Davis seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

Adjourn:

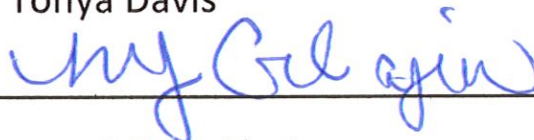
Tonya Davis made the motion to adjourn at 7:37 with Becky Davis seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

Vice President: _____



Tonya Davis

Clerk-Treasurer: _____



Missy Glazier