

Town of Fortville

06.19.2023

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; Missy Glazier, Clerk Treasurer.

Not Present:

Libby Wyatt

Approval of Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes

Tonya Davis made the motion to approve the June 5, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes. Ryan Rummell seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

New Business:

- a. Kevin Primeau, Mercy Road Church - Submittal of Special Event Application for Community Worship Night to be held Sunday, October 1st, 2023, at Landmark Park – Stated similar to last years event. Becky Davis made the motion to approve the special event request with Tonya Davis seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.
- b. Crystal Alstadt, Mt. Vernon Football Boosters - Request to allow alcohol for a Mt. Vernon football fundraising event to be held in July at the Community Center. Also, a request for a discounted rental rate for the fundraising event – Mt. Vernon football parents requesting a bingo fundraiser. Becky Davis made the motion to give a reduced rate of 50% on \$325.00. Tonya Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

- c. Vanessa Battaglia, 219 W. Garden St. - Request to allow chickens on residential property – She will have 4 laying hens. Letter to Council and homeowner’s signatures are attached. Andrew Timerstein asked what is to stop others from doing this. Town Council stated “us”. Tonya Davis made a motion to allow for 1 year with Ryan Rummell seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.
- d. Mark Elder, VTFD Chief – Submittal of 2024 VTFD Budget – explains budget and introduces Michael Reuter. Michael explains the unique situation for a 3-year growth appeal. The budget is attached. It has been approved by Vernon township and McCordsville. Tonya Davis made a motion to approve with Ryan Rummell seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.
- e. Council to consider 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-6A, a Rezone of Vernon Township property at 602 Vitality Drive from Commercial: Neighborhood (CN) to Institutional (IN) – Adam Zaklikowski explains the need for the change in zoning. The Fire Department would like to have a training facility there and possible relocation of the library. If Council approves it would then go to the Plan Commission for recommendation. Tonya Davis made the motion to approve the rezone and waiver of fee. Becky Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 4-0.
- f. Council to consider approving the purchase of FPD’s new police vehicle - Patrick Bratton explained that per the purchasing policy he needs an actual motion for the purchase of the vehicles in April and June. This needs to be backdated at the request of the town Manager. Also verifies anything between 5—10K needs approval from the Town Manager and anything over 10K needs approval by Joe and Town Council. Tonya Davis made the motion to approve the purchases of the vehicles in April and June with Ryan Rummell seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

Old Business:

- a. Council to consider allowing or prohibiting a dumpster in the public parking lot between Main and Merrill Streets for Tone Salon – 110 S. Main St. – Kimber Chapman is the owner of the salon and is willing to work with the Town to come to an agreement. Alex Intermill will draw up the letter with terms & conditions. He will bring it to the next Council Meeting for signatures. Tonya Davis made the motion to approve with Becky Davis seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.
- b. Butch Milender, MV Optimist Club – Discussion of Community Center invoice for basketball rental – Stated he brought a check with him. Discussion ensued as to for what amount. Fritz Fentz made a motion to reduce the invoice by 50% with Becky Davis seconding. Tonya Davis and Ryan Rummell both voted Nay. Tie vote – Clerk Treasurer Missy Glazier broke the tie with a vote of Nay. Motion failed. Optimist to pay full amount of the invoice.

Department Head Reports:

Town Manager:

Joe Renner said that Dave Thompson is requesting the services of Donahue to be compliant with IDEM. Alex Intermill said he would attach the Uniform Services Agreement to the contract as well. Tonya Davis made the motion to approve the services with Becky Davis seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

Parks Manager:

Not Present

Planning & Building Director:

Adam Zaklikowski reminded everyone of the Public Charrette Meeting regarding the Comprehensive Plan Map.

Clerk-Treasurer:

Missy Glazier asked the Council to amend the 12.05.22 minutes. It should be 25 hours a week for the Police Admin. Assist instead of 20 hours a week. Tonya Davis approved the amendment with Ryan Rummell seconding. Motion carried, passed 4-0.

Police Chief:

Chief Bratton had nothing further. Ryan Rummell asked how the Blitz went. Patrick stated well, 9 semi's ticketed with 2 being overweight.

Town Attorney:

Alex Intermill explained he was unable to get an ordinance with the EDC and Ridgeview bond on the agenda. He assured Council this ordinance poses no risk to the town. Due to time constraints he asked Council if they would be willing to suspend the rules at the next meeting to have both hearings in one night. They agreed.

Public Comment:

Denise Compliment asked if there was a leash law. Yes, there is.

Council Members:

Fritz Fentz

N/A

Tonya Davis

N/A

Becky Davis

N/A

Libby Wyatt

Not Present

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:

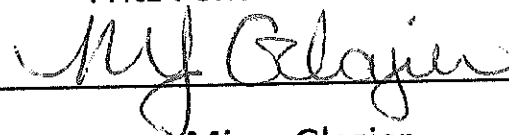
Tonya Davis made the motion to adjourn at 8:25 with Becky Davis seconding. Motion carried,
passed 4-0.

President: _____



Fritz Fentz

Clerk-Treasurer: _____



Missy Glazier

FORTVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

»» MONDAY, JUNE 19th, 2023 ««

— TOWN OF — FORTVILLE

TOWN COUNCIL

- Frederick Fentz, *President*
- Tonya Davis, *Vice President*
- Becky Davis, *Member*
- Elizabeth Wyatt, *Member*
- Ryan Rummell, *Member*

CLERK-TREASURER

- Melissa Glazier

TOWN STAFF

- Joe Renner, *Town Manager*
- Alex Intermill, *Town Attorney*

PUBLIC MEETING

Fortville Town Hall
714 E. Broadway St.
Fortville, IN 46040
7:00 p.m.

WEB ACCESS VIA:

Zoom
Call: 1-305-224-1968
Meeting ID: 851 6085 5011
Link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85160855011>

1. TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OPENING - 7:00 PM

- a. Call Meeting to Order - Council President
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call – Clerk-Treasurer
- d. Declaration of Quorum - Council President
- e. Approve the Meeting Agenda
- f. Approve Minutes from previous meeting:
 - i. June 5th, 2023

2. NEW BUSINESS

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4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. Town – Joe Renner
- b. Planning & Building – Adam Zaklikowski:
 - i. Comprehensive Plan Map Meeting – Mon., June 25th, 6:30pm
- c. Parks & Recreation – Heath Luther
- d. Police – Patrick Bratton
- e. Clerk-Treasurer – Melissa Glazier
- f. Legal – Alex Intermill

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

6. TOWN COUNCIL COMMENTS

7. APPROVE & SIGN VOUCHERS

8. ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Town of Fortville will, upon request, provide appropriate aid and/or assistance leading to effective participation for people with disabilities. Anyone who requires such assistance should contact **Andy Williams** - Office Manager, at (317) 485-4044 Ext. 1003 or via email at awilliams@fortvilleindiana.org, at least forty-eight (48) hours before the scheduled meeting.

Glazier, Missy

From: Steve Ort <sort@buckeyepowersales.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2023 8:07 PM
To: Glazier, Missy
Cc: Natalie Bragdon; Andy Williams; Becky Davis; Charlie Jarrett; Dale Eiler; Frederick Fentz; Heath Luther; Jami Marvin; Jason McLaughlin; Jordan Benson; Kim Johnson; Libby Wyatt; Renner, Angie; Renner, Joe; Ryan Rummell; Tonya Davis; bfnorseman@aol.com; fritz@servicemasterindy.com; jessfay1@yahoo.com; tedbragdon@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Fortville fields

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That amount was calculated due to us not using the gym on Saturdays. But like others said lesson learned on not verbally talking to anyone. Everything will be in email form. Apparently we will write a check for the full invoice.

Kind regards!

Steve Ort
Rental Power Sales Rep
Buckeye Power Sales
317-800-9930

On Jun 1, 2023, at 7:59 PM, Glazier, Missy <mglazier@fortvilleindiana.org> wrote:

Hi Natalie,

The amount due is what is on the invoice. I'm not sure where the other amount came from? Thank you for reaching out.

Best,
Missy

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 1, 2023, at 7:12 PM, Natalie Bragdon <nataliebragdon@gmail.com> wrote:

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Missy,

From: [Crystal Altstadt](#)
To: [Andy Williams](#)
Subject: Request to be added to the Agenda: Monday June 19th
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2023 10:51:59 AM

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Hi Andy: The MV Highschool Football team is looking at renting the Fortville Community Center Gym for a Bingo fundraiser at the end of July. We are wanting to have alcohol at this event. I spoke with Heath and he mentioned I should reach out to you to be added to the agenda so the board can vote on this matter. We also would like to request a discounted price for the rental.

The funds raised during the Bingo night fund the team's meals for the season. We feed the team before every Friday night game and also provide bagged meals for the JV and Freshman teams while they travel to away games.

Thank you so much
Crystal Altstadt

1 May 2023

From:
Vanessa Battaglia
219 West Garden Street
Fortville, Indiana 46040

To:
Fortville Town Council
714 East Broadway
Fortville, Indiana 46040

Re: Exception to General Regulation 93.20(A) (Backyard poultry)

Dear Fortville Town Council,

I am writing to request an exception to the Fortville General Regulation 93.20(A) in accordance with 93.20(B), regarding the housing of a backyard flock of poultry on my property. Specifically I am requesting a small flock of 4 laying hens and 2 Pekin ducks, housed separately with an attached, enclosed run connecting the pens for spacious co-habitation.

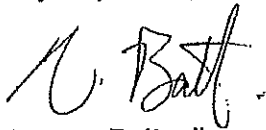
Raising poultry provides a nutritious and reliable food source. With the supermarket shortages of 2020 and rising gas prices, it is practical to reduce reliance on grocery stores. Additionally, taking responsibility for your food source this way provides a humane existence for the animals, and replaces the spoilage common to large supermarket inventory with efficient local consumption.

In particular, I believe I should be granted this exception for the following reasons:

- My 0.6 acre property is surrounded on either side by similarly sized lots for adequate privacy
- My property is enclosed with continuous fencing for safety
- All of my adjacent neighbors approve of & are looking forward to this plan
- I raised poultry for 6 years in another small town and understand the inherent responsibilities

I submit this request earnestly and look forward to hearing back on the Town Council's decision on this matter.

Very respectfully,



Vanessa Battaglia

19 June 2023

Dear Fortville Town Council,

I support Vanessa's chicken request and agree that she should be able to have them!

Sincerely,

Name

Address

Shawn Chappell
Darin Rowe

4640
223 W Garden St. Fortville IN
230 W Broadway St

VERNON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

To: Vernon Township Fire Protection Territory Board
Fortville Town Council
McCordsville Town Council
Michael Reuter
Beth Marsh

From: Mark A. Elder, Fire Chief
Date: June 6, 2023
Re: 2024 Budget

Below is a summary of the 2024 Vernon Township Fire Department budget which you will find attached. This is presented with the difference between 2023 and the amount with and without receiving the maximum growth appeal.

Should we not receive the appeal or only a portion of it I will evaluate the needs of the department and adjust the budget accordingly with input from our financial advisor, bookkeeper, and members of the Fire Territory Board.

As always if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Mark A. Elder
Fire Chief

VERNON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salary and Benefits	
Increase base salary & pension base	
Without Growth Appeal	With Growth Appeal
\$3,718,717.29	\$4,118,071.65
\$66,500 Base and \$68,500 Pension Base	\$73,000 Base, and \$75,000 pension base
Increase Medic Stipend to \$5000	
Increase HSA contribution for family to \$750.	
Adding three career personnel & eliminating part-time staffing.	
Changes Administrative Assistant to Director of Administration	

Operations/Supplies	
Without Growth Appeal	With Growth Appeal
\$234,891	\$334,891
This will be utilized to purchase operational supplies and if the appeal is received purchase additional training materials.	

Services/Contractual	
Without Growth Appeal	With Growth Appeal
\$496,581	\$696,581
Added services for radio maintenance and KNOX System.	
Providing physicals in accordance with nationally recognized standards for personnel. With the growth appeal we will add addition annual testing/monitoring for cancer screening.	
Estimated budgeting for utilities for second station	

Capital	
Percentage difference from 2023 (1.75%)	
Without Growth Appeal	With Growth Appeal
\$44,000	\$544,000
Ladder truck only if growth appeal is awarded	

		2024 Budget	Budget Goal	\$5,693,544
Personal Services			difference	\$0
Line Item Code	Line Item	Proposed		
	Total Base	\$2,463,300.00		
	Overtime Coverage	\$461,912.05		
	PERF	\$457,292.80		
	Social Security	\$181,363.15		
	Medicare	\$39,622.00		
	Insurance	\$457,279.33		
	Deductable Reimbursement	\$37,302.32		
	HSA	\$20,000.00		
	Part-Time	\$0.00		
		\$4,118,071.65	72.33%	
Supplies				
2AA	EMS Supplies	\$100,000		
2AB	Operation Supplies	\$60,000		
2AC	Station Supplies	\$47,891		
2AD	Uniforms/PPE	\$50,000		
2AE	Fuel	\$62,000		
2AF	Repair Supplies	\$15,000		
		\$334,891	5.88%	
Services and Charges				
3AA	EMS Equipment	\$5,000		
3AB	Professional Services	\$131,100		
3AD	MedBill	\$45,000		
3AE	EMS Reimbursement	\$25,000		
3BA	Building/Inland Marine	\$50,000		
3BB	Provident	\$30,000		
3BC	Workers Compensation	\$50,000		
3CA	Apparatus and Building Repairs	\$100,000		
3CB	Lawn Care	\$3,500		
3CC	Annual Testing (Hose, Pump, Ladder, Cascade, Me	\$20,000		
3CD	EMS Equipment Maintenance	\$18,500		
3DA	Electric	\$40,000		
3DB	Gas	\$15,000		
3DC	Water	\$16,000		
3DD	Trash	\$5,000		
3DE	Cellular	\$10,000		
3DF	Internet	\$4,000		
3DG	WiFi	\$8,000		
3DH	Door Security	\$3,000		
3EA	Travel Training	\$50,000		
3FA	Professional Associations/Subscriptions	\$2,000		
3HA	Incumbent Physicals	\$26,000		
3IA	Subscription/Maintenance Fees	\$39,481		
		\$696,581	12.23%	
Capital Outlays				
4A	EMS	\$244,000		
4B	Fire	\$300,000		
		\$544,000		
Department Total		\$5,693,544	9.55%	