

Town of Fortville

01.05.2026

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 Tonya Davis at 6:31 pm.

Present:

Tonya Davis, President; Ryan Rummell, Vice President; Libby Wyatt, Council Member; Sean Morgan, Council Member; Joe Renner, Town Manager; Alex Intermill, Town Attorney.

Not Present:

Fritz Fentz, Council Member; Missy Glazier, Clerk Treasurer; and Adriana Krueger, Deputy Clerk Treasurer.

2025 Town Council Appointments:

- i. Ryan Rummell nominates Tonya Davis for president. Libby Wyatt seconds the nomination and requests for a vote. Motion carries passed 4/0. Tonya Davis is president for the 2026 year.
- ii. As president, Tonya appoints Ryan Rummell as vice president. Libby Wyatt seconds nomination. Motion carries passed 5/0. Ryan Rummell is vice president for the 2026 year.

Approval of Agenda:

Ryan Rummell makes a motion to approve the agenda for January 5, 2026, Sean Morgan seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 4/0.

Approval of Minutes

Ryan Rummell makes a motion to approve the minutes for December 15th, 2025, Sean Morgan seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 3/0/1.

Old Business:

- a) The council will consider the 2nd reading of **Ordinance 2025-11A** which assigns zoning designations to the newly annexed Stokes Property located at US 36 and 300W. A modification requesting more commercial zoning is requested. Adam Zaklikowski presents.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the 2nd reading of **Ordinance 2025-11A**, assigning zoning designations to the Stocks property. Libby Wyatt second the motion. Motion carried, passed 4/0.

New Business:

- a) Council President to consider appointment of three individuals and one non-voting school district representative to the RDC.
 - i. Ed Brand, Chris McCreight, and Dan Huge and Stacy Neilson as the MVCSC School District Representative
- b) Council to consider the appointment of the remaining two individuals to appoint to the RDC commission. Scott Meyer and Mike Kelty.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to reappoint members Scott Meyer and Mike Kelty to the RDC board. Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries 4/0

- c) Council to consider the appointment of a new member of the Police Commission. Received a recommendation by the commission.

Tonya Davis suggests accepting the recommendation of Kevin Kessinger Jr. to the Police commission. Concern of a possible conflict of interest was expressed by Sean Morgan. Chief Bratton and Alex Intermill both gave their point of view.

Sean Morgan made a motion to appoint Eric Fieldmenis to the police commission. Libby Wyatt second. Motion not carried, tied 2/2.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to appoint Kevin Kessinger Jr. Tonya Davis second the motion. Motion not carried, tied 2/2.

This will be continued at the following council meeting for a full board and tie breaker present.

- d) The Council will consider discussion of fees/donations for Public Safety and Other purposes for new Planned Unit Developments (PUDs). Request for discussion by Tonya Davis, Council President.

In Indiana we cannot charge a formal public safety impact fee, however, developers can make a donation per lot as part of their agreement during the PUD application. Out of our surrounding area, Ingalls has established this method. We could either amend the existing PUD fee structure or create a new. In depth discussion was held.

Department Head Reports:

Town Manager: Joe Renner

Congratulations to the Mt. Vernon township as they did get their extended Levi. Landmark Park: We are trying to get a schedule from Reynolds construction on when the work is going to

get done. Unfortunately, due to supply shortages and slow material deliveries, this looks more like mid-June. Joe will be out of the office all next week.

Planning & Building Director: Adam Zaklikowski

Not really, just looking at the numbers, we are looking at 200 single family homes in 2025 where there were only 100 in 2024.

Parks Manager: Heath Luther

We have already had a conversation with the folks at Cammie's Cause. There is a plan B for the parks, but we'll be working with them as the time gets closer. The Bridge into landmark park. Bridge Brothers' quote came in at \$38,261.00. Three quotes were received.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to spend \$38,261.00 on the bridge into landmark park. Libby Wyatt seconds. Motion carried, passed 4/0.

Updates on Winterfest and Summerfest: It seems there was negative discussion and opinions from the community, but it seems like everything was left for Stacy to do it on her own and it just isn't going to work. There is a notebook with all the forms, contacts, and instructions on how to given by FAI.

Police Chief: Chief Patrick Bratton

Yearly report will be available during the next meeting for everyone to see and consider. We have a commission meeting next Wednesday and anyone is welcome.

Town Attorney: Alex Intermill

No comment.

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer: Adriana Krueger

Absent

Public Comment:

Dave Beatson, how many homes will be in this Stokes edition that are residential/rentals? We don't know yet.

INDOT project on Broadway. Is this done. Not yet, we are still trying to get all the projects finished.

Council Members:

Tonya Davis:
Happy New Year!

Ryan Rummell:

No Comment.

Libby Wyatt:

No Comment.

Fritz Fentz:

Absent.

Sean Morgan:

We may want to talk about the farmers' market in addition to the festivals. They lack structure.

Approve and Sign Vouchers:

Ryan Rummell makes the motion to approve and sign vouchers, Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 4/0.

Adjourn:

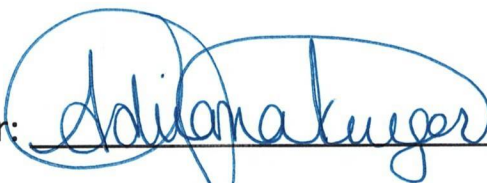
Tonya Davis makes the motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm, Ryan Rummell seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 4/0.

President: _____



Tonya Davis

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer: _____



Adriana Krueger