

Town of Fortville

01.20.2026

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 6:30 pm.

Present:

Tonya Davis, President; Ryan Rummell, Vice President; Libby Wyatt, Council Member; Fritz Fentz, Council Member; Sean Morgan, Council Member; Joe Renner, Town Manager; Alex Intermill, Town Attorney; Missy Glazier, Clerk Treasurer; Adriana Krueger, Deputy Clerk Treasurer.

Not Present:

N/A

Approval of Agenda

Ryan Rummell makes the motion to approve the amended agenda which would add line items D & E to the New Business portion of tonight's agenda. Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 5/0.

Approval of Minutes

Ryan Rummell makes the motion to approve the January 5th, 2026, council meeting minutes. Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

Old Business:

- a) The Council will consider the **adoption of Resolution 2026-1A**, a Fiscal Plan for the Singh-Wright-Petty Annexation.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-1A** fiscal plan for the Singh-Wright-Petty Annexation. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

- i. The Council will consider **2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-12A**, Singh-Wright-Petty Annexation (138.16 acres).

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2025-12A**, the Singh-Wright-Petty Annexation. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

- b) The Council will consider the **adoption of Resolution 2026-1B**. A Fiscal Plan for the Huck Minor Subdivision Annexation.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-1B**. A Fiscal Plan for the Huck Minor Subdivision Annexation. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

- i. The Council will consider **2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-12B**, Huck Minor Subdivision Annexation (6.63 acres.)

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve 2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-12B**, Huck Minor Subdivision Annexation. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

- c) The Council will consider **adoption of Resolution 2026-1C**, a Fiscal Plan for the Rice-Ross Annexation.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the adoption of Resolution 2026-1C**, a Fiscal Plan for the Rice-Ross Annexation. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

- i. The council will consider **2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-12C**, Rice-Ross annexation (0.06 acres)

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2025-12C**, Rice-Ross annexation (0.06 acres). Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

- d) The council will consider the appointment of one resident to the Police Commission.

Sean Morgan nominates Eric Fieldmenis to the Police Commission. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

New Business:

- a) The Council President will consider appointing a Citizen Member to the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) for the seat previously held by Earl Bolander, Jr.

Council President Tonya Davis expressed the only candidate to apply was Michael Carpenter. Council Member Fritz Fentz proposes that this be tabled for next meeting so that any candidates can come to get interviewed by this board. We need to make sure we appoint someone who is known to this town. Even though it is a Council President appointment, we need to be able to talk to any candidates in person before

- b) The Council will consider **1st Reading of Ordinance 2026-1A**, A Residential Rental Housing Registrations & Inspections.

- i. At the last meeting Jerry Santon, Fortville's Code Enforcement and Building Inspector, presented the need for a Housing Registration ordinance for rentals within Fortville. Alex put together an ordinance predominantly modeled after Valparesso. It covered all the different basis of yearly inspections of rental properties for public health safety and welfare, as well as a registration system with the Town of Fortville that would provide solid contact information for the property owners, especially those that are out of state. The only addition to this ordinance that the council will need to discuss would be a cap on rental properties.

Council will need time to properly read through this ordinance and bring to the table any questions, changes, or suggestions that could be considered for this ordinance. This 1st Reading will be tabled until the next council meeting to provide needed time. Discussion on possible particulars was held.

c) The Clerk-Treasurer's office will present an updated APRA Form. (Access to Public Records Act)

- ii. DCT Adriana Krueger presented the revised Access to Public Records Act Form that has been updated to add specific language, terms, and clarifications. Clerk Treasure's office makes notice that starting tomorrow January 21st, 2026, all requests for public records must be presented using this 1/2026 Revised Form and completed in its entirety before it will be considered received. This form will be accessible to the public, Town Hall Staff, and the Clerk Treasure's office for distribution to the public should anyone need it. Council was asked to review redline changes. These changes will be memorialized in the minutes of this council meeting.

d) The council will consider an exception for chickens within the town boundaries at 322 E. Delaware Street, Fortville.

- iii. Ashley Glasco & Justin Macabe requested an exception for them to have chickens and a coop on their land.

Since this request was not originally on the agenda, we would like to give the neighbors an opportunity to voice any concerns. Please have them sign this request, Name and address of all boundary neighbors, we will discuss and vote on this during the next meeting.

e) The council will discuss the formation of a festival committee.

- iv. Tonya wanted to discuss the need for a committee to handle the 2 yearly festivals and possibly the Farmer's Market. These functions need structure and help getting things organized. Terms of this committee need to be addressed, how many people were needed, which ones were going to be president appointed as opposed to council appointed. What their responsibility and expectations would be.

We need an exploratory committee that will take this year to get recommendations for structure, planning and organization of these festivals, funding, fees, insurance and compensation for event coordinators. We would look to restart these festivals in 2027, especially because the parks will be getting a lot of updates, construction, etc.

The Farmer's market should be allowed to run as normal this year especially since we have never done this and we need more time to structure. Tom Buttaccio, current Farmer's Market vendor spoke about the need to run this year's Farmer's Market as is, especially since it's about 13 weeks away and there is already a lot of work put into it.

Department Head Reports:

Town Manager: Joe Renner

The Town's current sewer and water territory cutoff is 400W/McCordsville, that's for sewer only. We have water service extending beyond county lines into Hamilton County. We have had some developers approach us about extending our water service going west (along county lines) that would go into the McCordsville's sewer territory, which they currently do not have. Council agrees this makes sense.

Planning & Building Director: Adam Zaklikowski

No comment.

Parks Manager: Heath Luther

Absent.

Police Chief: Chief Patrick Bratton

Absent.

Town Attorney: Alex Intermill

Just to give an update on the South Madison Extension Project related to the PUD development/SE Bodner. We have had communications with Buzz Krohn about the Bot schedule and the Bond issue. We should be done with it by Mid-April so that construction can start this spring.

Clerk-Treasurer: Missy Glazier/Adriana Krueger

No comment.

Public Comment:

No comment was given from the public.

Council Members:

Tonya Davis

No. Comment.

Ryan Rummell

No. Comment.

Libby Wyatt

No. Comment.

Fritz Fentz

No. Comment.

Sean Morgan

No. Comment.

Approve and Sign Vouchers:

Ryan Rummell makes the motion to approve and sign vouchers, Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 5/0.

Adjourn:

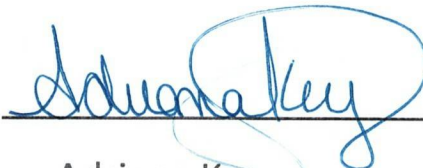
Tonya Davis makes the motion to adjourn at 7:52 pm, Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 5/0.

President: _____



Tonya Davis

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer: _____



Adriana Krueger