

Town of Fortville

06.01.2026

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 6:35 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; Adriana Krueger, Deputy Clerk Treasurer.

Not Present:

N/A.

Approval of Agenda

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the agenda for tonight June 15th, 2026**, Town Council Meeting. Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 5/0.

Approval of Minutes

Ryan Rummell made a motion to **approve the meeting minutes from June 1st, 2026**. Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries, passed 5/0.

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

- A. The Council will review several **Special Event Requests** for approval.
 - i. **FoxGarden's 11th Anniversary Party**: Sat. July 25th, 2026, from 4:00 pm – 11:00 pm.
 - ii. **Blazer 88 Annual Charity Ride & Live Music Benefit** – Sat. Aug 22nd, 2026, from 9:00 am – 10:00 pm.
 - iii. **FARMS's Treats on Main** – Sat. October 24th, 2026, from 10:00am-2:00pm.
Neighbors must be communicated about the closing of the back parking lot and Alley. *
 - iv. **MVCSC's Miles for Meals Turkey Trot 5K** – Saturday November 21st, 2026, from 6:00am – Noon.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the **Special Event for FoxGarden**. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the **Special Event for Blazer 88 Annual Charity Ride & Live Music Benefit**. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the **Special Event for FARMS's Treats on Main**. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the **Special Event for MVCSC's Miles for Meals Turkey Trot 5K**. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

- B. The Council will hear Chief Patrick Bratton's **Request to purchase two (2) 2026 Ford Police Interceptors from Wetzel Ford in Richmond, Indiana**. They are each listed, with the adjusted Government Rate of \$48,809.00 each. In addition, they will need to be outfitted using our preferred vendor, Passive Security, at a cost of \$10,991.75 each.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the **purchase of the two Ford Police Vehicles from Wetzel Ford and the accompanying outfitting for a total of \$59,800.75**. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

- C. The Council will consider the **1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2026-6A, Amending & Restating the Town's Parking Regulations** which include updates to streets that had not been included in the original ordinance but are very much needed at this time.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to approve the **1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2026-6A, Amending & Restating the Town's Parking Regulations**. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

Department Head Reports:

Town Manager: Joe Renner

Landmark Park project has increased the amount from \$149,800 to \$649,800 to cover pre-construction work including engineering, permitting, and equipment procurement. Doug explained that the project scope has grown to \$1,941,000 due to additions like a bridge over a ditch, new parking area, and swing set area, though he expressed confidence in reducing costs further. The council approved the motion to proceed, with construction expected to start in late July or early August. Doug committed to keeping the council informed of any delays and providing copies of the final blueprints when completed.

Joe/Alex reported receiving a \$2.2 million award letter from the MPO for the trail project from Portville Pike to North School campus, with bidding now scheduled for October pending historical property review. He also discussed progress on extending water and sewer lines south of 234, noting that AI Innovations has secured contractor bids and permits, though reimbursement agreement details are still being worked out with Alex and Buzz. Regarding the South Madison

project, we received final construction documents late last week, with Michael Garvey planning to meet with engineers to develop a construction plan once the agreement is finalized and bonds are closed within the next week.

Ryan Rummell made a motion to allow Joe Renner to proceed with all approved plans. Libby Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, passed 5/0.

Planning & Building Director: Adam Zaklikowski

Absent.

Parks Manager: Heath Luther

Absent.

Police Chief: Chief Patrick Bratton

No Comment.

Town Attorney: Alex Intermill

The council discussed two main items: naming rights policy and the fire department budget. Alex mentioned working with Joe on a template for Fortville-specific naming rights policy and noted that the council could review it at the next meeting. The council then formally approved the Vernon Township Fire Department budget for 2027 with a voice vote.

Clerk-Treasurer: Adriana Krueger

No Comment.

Public Comment:

Dave Beatson raised concerns about a heavy industrial truck from Davies Tree Service parked on a sidewalk, which the council agreed to address after the meeting.

The discussion also touched on plans for a new gazebo, with a suggestion to replace the old one rather than adding a second structure.

Council Members:

Tonya Davis

No Comment.

Ryan Rummell

The banners look great downtown.

Libby Wyatt

Libby and Andy discussed changes to the recycling event date, which was rescheduled to June 20th due to a scheduling conflict. Andy announced a month-long Stars and Stripes celebration, including a kickoff event on June 10th from 4-8 PM at Memorial Park with hot dogs, refreshments, and community activities.

Fritz Fentz

Absent.

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:

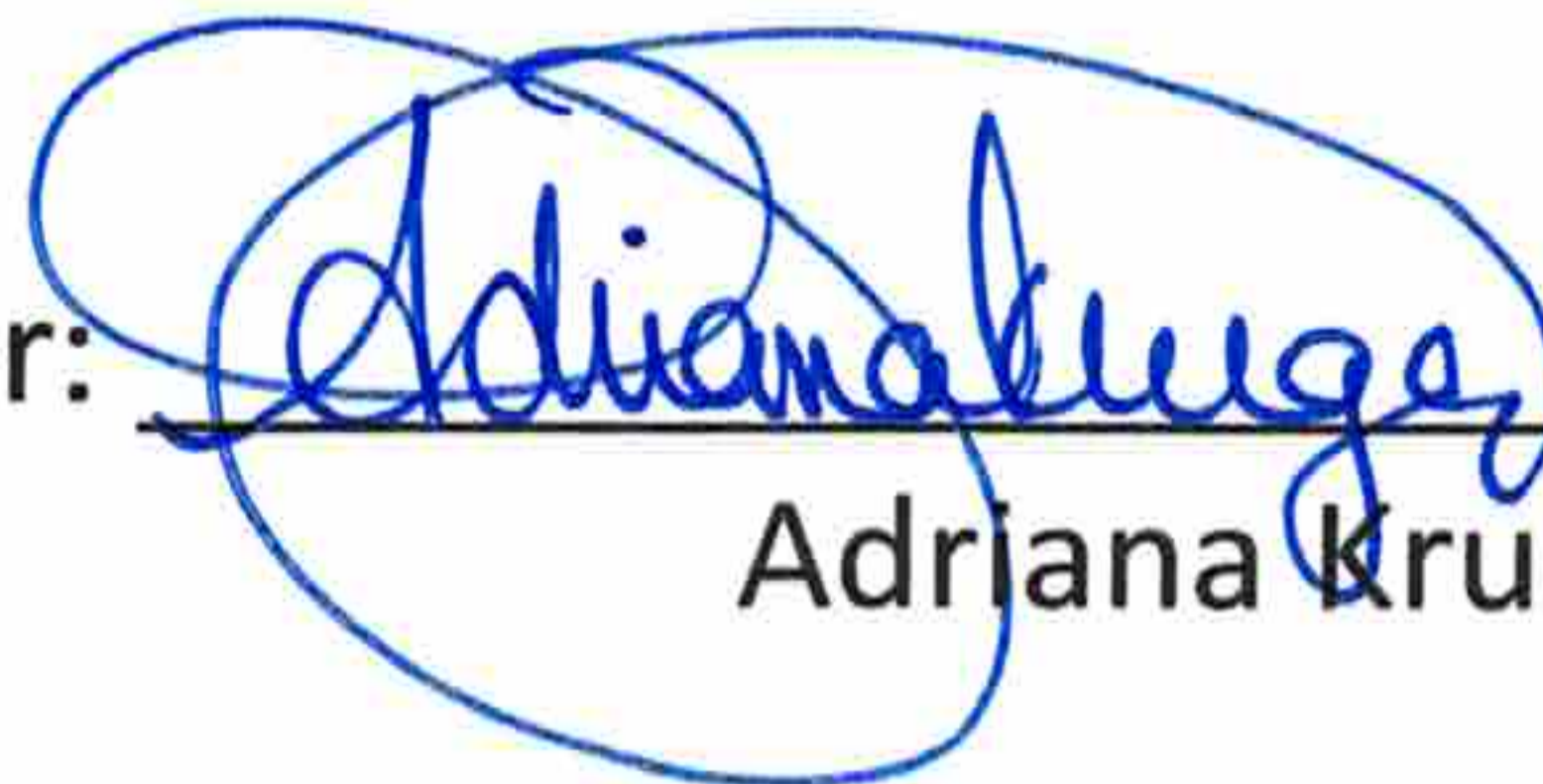
Tonya Davis makes the motion to adjourn at 7:27 pm, Libby Wyatt seconds the motion. Motion carries passed 5/0.

President: _____



Tonya Davis

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer: _____



Adriana Krueger