

August 10, 2021

This is a report of the regular meeting of the Rossville Town Council on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall.

On call of the roll: David Severt, Jack Fingerle, William Croto.

Also present were Cindy Oland, Mike Riley, Robert White, Kat Bell, Steven Bowman, Cody Chaplin, Jim Stoops, Robert Shaffer, Chad Colby, and Barth Mink.

Dave Severt called the meeting to order and minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Jim Stoops is compiling a DVD about Rossville. He has made several DVDs of I surrounding communities. He requested a picture of the Town Council and Clerk Treasurer to include in the DVD.

Robert White, Mike Riley, and Cindy Oland of Fairway Estates discussed the current renovations and upgrade plans for the recently purchased Cree Mobile Home Park. They have begun cleaning up the park, trimming trees, and putting down gravel in driveways. Council was informed the trailers will be tenant owned with a month to month lease of the lot.

Kat Bell, Clinton County Area Plan, discussed the variances the Fairway Estates is requesting to meet code. Complaints were addressed pertaining to 51 W. Main St. A representative still needs to be appointed to the BZA as David Bushfield is stepping down to pursue pastoral training.

Steve Bowman lodged complaints of continued speeding on N. Delphi Rd. He presented petitions to the Town Council requesting stepped up patrols and to ban and fine semis using N. Delphi Rd to bypass the detour.

Barth Mink gave a monthly update of police activity. The Indiana Law Enforcement Academy has shut down again due to COVID. The final bill to repair the police after Ed's accident is in the amount of \$874.36. Barth and Ed were chosen as ATF Liaison Officers. If Barth would choose to leave with the dog, the Town would request to be reimbursed \$13,000.00.

After the Police Department completed their update to the Council, President Dave Severt sincerely apologized to the Police Department for comments he made during an Executive Session. Dave said his comments which became public were completely off the subject matter and totally out of line. Dave said his comments were not reflective of the respect and admiration he has for the members of the Police Department.

Chad Colby informed the Council Eco-Infrastructure will be in town the week of August 16th to assist with cleaning and videoing sewers. There is a bad spot in the Silverthorn tile on State Road 39 at Orchard Dr. This will need to be repaired before winter. Paving bids are to be advertised for the Community Crossing Matching Grant. After discussion of trading the skid steer, Bill Croto made a motion to trade the current

skid steer and purchase a Bobcat Skid Steer at a cost of \$23,316.46, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council. A roofing quote for the town hall was reviewed from Hinshaw Roofing in the amount of \$23,865.00. An estimated cost of \$4,000.00 was given to rehab the white pickup. There was discussion of an illegal water connection.

Ordinance 2021-07, a second amended Salary Ordinance, was presented to Council for review. Jack Fingerle made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-07 on first reading, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council. Jack Fingerle made a motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 2021-07 on second and third readings, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Ordinance 2021-01, an ordinance extending employee covid-19 pay protection past Indiana mandate, expired June 30, 2021. Bill Croto made a motion to extend the covid-19 pay protection to December 31, 2021, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

A sample ordinance regulating food trucks was presented to Council for review. Legal counsel stated he would contact Frankfort City Hall to see how the town regulates food trucks.

Voucher Register was approved and signed.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall to open bids for paving for the Community Matching Grant.

David Severt, President of the Town Council

Attest: _____

Patricia McIlrath
Clerk Treasurer
Rossville, IN 46065