

TOWN OF FERDINAND

REGULAR MEETING

March 15, 2022

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a Regular Meeting at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, in the Ferdinand Town Hall. Present were Council President, Ken Sicard; Vice-President, Debbie Johnson; Council Member, Ron Weyer; Town Attorney, Sharon Bohnenkemper and Deputy-Clerk, Kayla Hoffman.

Debbie moved to approve the Minutes of the February 15, 2022 and March 2, 2022 Council Meetings. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ron moved to approve the closing of Maryland Street between 3rd and 4th Street during the Dubois County Fire School Fire Safety School operations between the hours of 8 AM to 4 PM on March 19, 20, 26 & 27, 2022. John Hoppenjans will notify citizens living on Maryland Street between 3rd & 4th Street about the closing of the street during this time. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Debbie moved to approve the request from Todd Fischer and Roger Schaefer to send Colin Leinenbach and Kyle Lechner to the WTH 17th Annual Users Training Conference on May 19th & 20th at Fort Harrison in Indianapolis, IN. The cost per employee is \$320 plus transportation and meals. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Roger Schaefer, Water/Wastewater Superintendent, stated Ryan Ernst has resigned from his position with the water/wastewater department effective March 23, 2022. Schaefer thanked Ernst for his service to the Town. Schaefer also announced, that he will be retiring on April 28, 2022 from his full-time position as Water/Wastewater Superintendent. Additional information regarding the restructuring of the water & wastewater departments will be provided at the April 19, 2022 Council meeting.

Matt Weyer, Park Board President, stated that the Park Board will hold a special meeting on March 25, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. to open bids for the restroom building at the Old Town Lake.

Chris James, Town Manager, asked for approval from the Council to attend the IMMA Conference in Nashville, IN, April 27-29, 2022. This includes a \$150 registration fee along with hotel expenses. Ron motioned to approve James to attend the conference. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 6:45 PM, Sicard introduced Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2022-05, appropriating

\$90,000 from the LIT-ED Fund for the purchase and demolition of the house located at 330 Maryland Street. Debbie moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-05. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

As of March 2, 2022, Sicard has updated the Town of Ferdinand Guidelines for Business Operations and the Meeting Procedures last updated January 18, 2022. Debbie moved to continue the updated guidelines until the April 19, 2022 Council Meeting. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Agenda item number 5 was tabled - Consider areas to restrict parking / 4 way-stop.

Ron moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-10, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2021-03, an Ordinance correcting a typographical error at the meeting it was introduced. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard and James will work on advertising the opening for the Police Chief position due to the Retirement of Lloyd Froman in June 2022.

Utility disconnections will resume to pre-covid times after 2 years of no disconnections. Customers are expected to pay by the 10th of the month. If payment is not received then a delinquency letter is sent, if payment is still not received, a disconnect notice will be attached to the customer's door before disconnecting utilities on the 28th of the month. To resume utilities after disconnection, the customer must pay reconnection fees and their bill in full. If the customer has a dire circumstance, he or she can inform the utility office or the Town Council to request a special hearing.

Tom Lueken, Property Manager, stated that we are waiting on the contractor to get back to the Town with a pavement schedule before starting the CCMG 2021-02 project.

Tom Lueken, Property Manager, reported the CCMG 2022-1 awards have not yet been announced.

Debbie moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-11, An Ordinance Approving the American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Final Plan at the meeting it was introduced. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 7:00 PM, Sicard introduced Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2022-08, appropriating \$67,754 for the expenditure of insurance proceeds regarding the repair of the 23rd Street Fire Station and the fire truck involved in the incidents from the LIT-ED Fund. Debbie moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-08. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The Town Wide Clean-Up will be held April 5, 6 & 7 following the Town Wide Yard Sale weekend. A reminder to Ferdinand residents that 4 trash stickers per household are required. Pick-up is limited to a reasonable amount per household.

At 7:15 PM the public hearing was held for Ordinance 2022-06 amending Ferdinand Municipal Code Section 10.10.045 Entitled "Permit, Inspection and Connection Fees" which raises the sewer tap in fees from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for Apartment Housing, Nursing Home, Commercial and Industrial. Ken moved to close discussion on the Ordinance. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Ron moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-06. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ron moved to approve regular claims. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

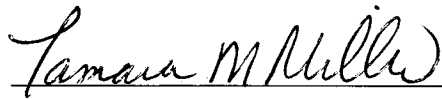
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	April 19, 2022 at 6:30 PM
BZA	Wednesday	March 23, 2022 at 6:30 PM-Cancelled
Plan Commission	Wednesday	March 23, 2022 at 7:00 PM-Cancelled
Park Board Special Meeting	Friday	March 25, 2022 at 1:00 PM
Park Board	Wednesday	April 13, 2022 at 4:30 PM
Economic Development Comm.	Monday	April 25, 2022 at 6:00 PM

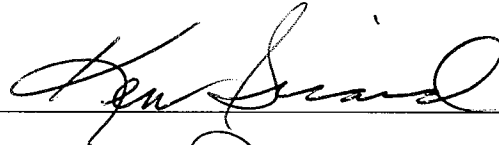
As there was no further business to discuss, Debbie moved to adjourn. Ron seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

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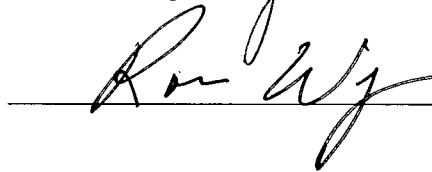
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Additional: Officer's attended a 2-hour class on Emergency Response to Pipeline accidents, 4-hour Seminar entitled Lessons Learned from the Battlefield. Brian assisted SRO Hopkins at the high school with an Identify Theft Class.

We worked on obtaining a new vehicle for the department to replace one of the 2013 Chargers. After several attempts by me attempting to get us vehicle I had located one, but the pricing was right at our budgeted amount. Brian had received information of a dealership in Kentucky. He made contact with the dealership and after all was said and done, he saved the department / town \$9,566.00 If you would like further information on this, I can explain at the council meeting if you would like, I would like to commend Brian for doing the research on locating the vehicle, and the savings.

Please accept this as my official notice to Council official that my retirement will begin on **June 10**, 2022. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Council, All the Town Employees, and especially the residents of the town for allowing me to serve them for the past 42 plus years.

Lloyd O. Froman
Chief Ferdinand P.D.

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Ferdinand Police Department

243 W 10th Street, Ferdinand Indiana 47532

Phone: 812-367-1806 / Fax: 812-998-2094

Chief of Police: Lloyd Froman

Assistant Chief: Brian Seffernick

Total Calls For Service		Calls For Service Report February 2022 	
Miles Driven	5082		
Total Gallons	385.8		
Average MPG	13.17263		
Complaint Type	Total	Complaint Type	Total
Alarm	2	Missing Person Adult/Child	1
Animal Complaint	5	Parking Violation	0
Assist Other Agency	25	Property Lost/Found/Recovered	1
Battery/ Assault	1	Protective/Restraining Order	0
Burglary (attempted)	3	Prowler (report of)	0
Burning Complaint	0	Report to Station	1
Child Abuse/Neglect	0	Return Messages	50
Civil Matter /Dispute	0	State Dispatch	12
Citizen Assist	3	Scam	0
Debris in Roadway	2	Security Check	0
Disabled/Stranded Vehicle	16	Suicide/or a Suicidal Person	0
Disturbance/Disorderly Person	0	Suspicious Person/Vehicle	6
Drug Complaint	2	Theft	2
Domestic Problem	4	Traffic Control	14
Escort	0	Traffic Warnings	20
Eviction	0	Traffic Citations	1
Extra Patrol	0	Trespassing	0
Fight	0	Threats/ Intimidation	0
Finger Printing	0	Vandalism	1
Fire	0	Vehicle Accident	3
General Information	47	Vehicle Accident Leaving the Scene	0
Gun Permit	0	Vehicle Check	3
Harassment	0	Vehicle Lock Out	13
Hazardous/ Not Chemical	0	Warrant	0
Investigation	2	Weather Related Problems	0
Identity Theft	0	Welfare Check	7
Illegal Dumping	0	911 false calls	1
Intoxicated Person	0		0
Juvenile Incurrigible/Runaway	0		
Lines/ Poles Down	0		
Lost/ Stolen License Plate	0		
Mental Subject	0		

FERDINAND POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaint Type	Lloyd	Brian	Rob	Tom	Christian	Joshua	Rayce	Kyle	Kolton	Jay					Total
Mental Subject															0
Missing Person Adult/Child						1									1
Parking Violation															0
Property Lost/Found/Recovered		1													1
Protective/Restraining Order															0
Prowler															0
Report To Station							1								1
Return Messages	10	8	7	10	2	3	10								50
State Dispatch		3		4	2	1	2								12
Scam															0
School Check															0
Suicide/or a Suicidal person															0
Suspicious Person/Vehicle				2		2	2								6
Theft				1		1									2
Traffic Control		4		6			3		1						14
Traffic Warnings		2	1	6		2	7		2						20
Traffic Citations				1											1
Trespassing															0
Threats/ Intimidation															0
Vandalism							1								1
Vehicle Accident				1	1	1									3
Vehicle Accident Leaving The Scene															0
Vehicle Check		1		1			1								3
Vehicle Lock Out		1	2	3	3	1	3								13
Warrant															0
Weather Related Problems															0
Welfare Check	2	1		1		1	2								7
911 False Calls						1									1
															0
Total Calls	23	38	27	52	15	29	59	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	248
Miles Driven	365	450	534	1087	528	1336	735	47							5082
Total Gallons	24	27	61.5	91.5	53	59	61.3	8.5							385.8
Average MPG	15.2083	16.667	8.6829	11.88	9.96226	22.64407	11.99021	5.529412	#VALUE!	#VALUE!					13.17



FERDINAND FIRE DEPT.

221 E. Fourth St. P.O. Box 31

Ferdinand, IN 47532

2022 Summary of Incidents

	FIRE	EMR		TOTAL
JANUARY	2	12		14
FEBRUARY	4	7		11
MARCH				
APRIL				
MAY				
JUNE				
JULY				
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER				
OCTOBER				
NOVEMBER				
DECEMBER				

The new compartment door for Ladder truck 405 has been put on.

We did respond to a false alarm at the Comfort Inn on February 19 for their first one of the year.

Electric Department Report

Mar. 15, 2022

- 2 unplanned outages
 - 6th and Main area loose connection and a bad switch 2 customers approx. 45 min
 - Factory had a bad transformer that will need to be rebuilt costing 50,827.
- Pole changeouts
- Hidden Meadows subdivision electric installation
 - Installing temporary services for the new houses being built.
- Main street lighting project between 18th and 23rd
 - Digging is done waiting to settle ground for grass seed.
 - Light fixtures have been delayed but should be here this month.



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Departmental Report:

Went throughout town making a list of faded street name signs. I don't know why a large number of them have faded. We are noting the year they were installed and the direction of the sign. Life of reflective should be at least 13 to 14 years as I was told when the replacement mandates were made. I am looking into some type of pro rate warranty but I am not expecting much as our signs were replaced from 2010 to 2013

We clean up and serviced the street sweeper and had all streets swept. After that we jetted and vac out all storm inlets.

We went thought out Town and patched most pot holes. This is a temporary fix. When the asphalt plants open we can and will do a more permanent patch.

We cleaned out, resized and put new rip-rap in a retention area near the 5th street Master Brand Sports Complex.

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Water Department;

Equipment Service ongoing

Work with some homeowners about water problems such as leaks and check valve problems

Ongoing training is going very well with new guys

Wastewater Department;

Had our UV system re-built and getting ready for end of month start up of disinfection equipment at Plant

Teaching Ryan on all State and Federal Reports

Banning Engineering has completed their services and will submit final bill

Ongoing maintenance at both Plant and Bio-Site

Roger Schaefer
Water/Wastewater Superintendent

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TOWN MANAGER TALKING POINTS FOR MARCH 15, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

1 – I have working with two roofing companies regarding repairs to different Town buildings. Schmidt Contracting was called to investigate a leak in Sharon’s office area. They found a hole next to a vent pipe, while also acknowledging the need for a new roof, as the rubber has just about hit its life span. The hole was patched and I had them do all of the vent pipes as a precautionary measure. Rabbit Roofing came to re-caulk several loose shingles causing a leak at the Senior Center building. While taking measurements for a possible new roof, they encountered 2 or 3 areas where the decking board is in very bad condition, which heightens the need for a new roof. Both companies are working on quotes for new coverings.

2 – We are continuing to receive applications for the 2022 Dubois County Leadership Academy, with others still in the pipeline. The application deadline is Friday March 25 (or soon thereafter) for this year’s program. Our opening session is set for Thursday April 7. I’m happy to say a couple of the applicants are from new entities for the Academy and am looking forward to what is turned in over the next couple of weeks.

3 – Preparations for this year’s Ferdinand Folk Festival are ongoing. Work is continuing to finalize our musical line-up and schedule a Halfway show to make the announcement. Donations have been coming in for the past three or so weeks. We are extremely grateful to all of the businesses and companies for their financial contributions, as it these gifts that allow us to keep the Folk Festival “free of charge” to the public.

4 – Forest Park High School held its Future Friday program on February 25 at the Tri-County YMCA. Previously, this was known as Senior Saturday which was held at the High School. School officials decided to change things up this year, giving the seniors their Saturday back, while also hoping to entice a more diverse

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group of presenters. I represented the Town and spoke on utility costs, using my own personal bills to provide insight on expenses and how to plan budgets.

5 – Finally, I am seeking Council permission to attend the IMMA Annual Conference, April 27-29, at the Salt Creek Golf Retreat in Nashville. Attendance cost is \$150. Lodging and transportation is also requested. This will be our first in-person gathering since 2019.

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PARKS DEPARTMENT TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

March 2022

General Park Report

- The park board met on March 9, 2022.
- The Dubois County Park Plan was presented to the public on March 9, 2022 at 6:30pm at the Dubois County Park in a public forum. The park plan includes the master plans for all of the county parks for the next 5 years and is published on Indiana Region 15's website. A resolution adopting the plan will be voted upon at the next park board meeting.
- A new scoreboard for the Art Ruhe Little League field is on order thanks to a donation from the Möbel Foundation. We are grateful for their continuing support. Due to the chip shortage, the scoreboard will take a little longer to get, but should be here in a few months.
- The park board intends to plant a number of trees in the parks this year to replace some of the trees that have come down due to decay, wind, or disease. We are currently analyzing cost and species to plant.
- Two additional AEDs have been installed at the parks. We now have them at the following locations:
 - Boys Baseball Field Building at 5th Street
 - Girls Softball Field Building at 5th Street
 - Soccer Concession Stand Building at MBCI Complex at 5th Street
 - Men's Softball Field Concession Building at 18th Street Park
- 18th Street Park
 - There are two pickle ball courts at the 18th Street Park now available for use due to the addition of the portable nets that were recently installed.
- Old Town Lake
 - The front entrance sign and flag pole installations are nearing completion.
 - The kayak launch floating dock was installed in the past week.

Matthew Weyer
March 13, 2022