

TOWN OF FERDINAND

REGULAR MEETING

March 24, 2020

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, in the Town Hall. Present were Council President, Ken Sicard; Vice-President, Deb Johnson; Council Member, Ron Weyer; Clerk-Treasurer, Tamara Miller; and Town Attorney, Sharon Bohnenkemper. Ron moved to approve the Minutes of the February 18, 2020, and March 4, 2020 meetings. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard read the department head reports (attached) that were previously distributed to the Council. He explained the council is looking at alternatives for meetings conducted by electronic means.

Ron Weyer reported the electrical infrastructure progress is at a standstill until the regulators are delivered.

Deb moved that this statement be included in the minutes: Should there be other national or state directives released, the Town will follow the directives contained in the governmental documents. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard read Resolution 2020-01, whereas the President of the Town Council did, on March 18, 2020, declare an emergency due to the spread of the coronavirus and did on that date issue a Declaration of Local Emergency and Executive Order 2020-01. That Order is in effect for 7 days unless the resolution extends the order until the Town takes action to modify or terminate it. Ron moved to approve. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard read Resolution 2020-02, whereas, the State Board of Accounts has given a directive allowing for less frequency of deposits and single-member approval of claims during the Public Health Emergency relative to the Coronavirus. Deb moved to approve. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard read Resolution 2020-03, whereas, the council believes that it would be prudent to allow for procedures in future meetings of the Town Council that allow electronic participation in meetings during the Public Health Emergency and to empower the President to take further actions in the best interest of the Town regarding among other things essential employees, so that the public services can continue with interruption. Ron moved to approve. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard stated the Town employees have been instructed they are all "essential employees" at this time. Weyer suggested that one employee from each utility department be placed "on-call"

to not have every employee in contact with other employees every day. The council agreed this is a good proactive measure and will explore further.

Miller stated that Universal Design has been asked to provide two basic options to present to the Council for the Town Hall exterior renovation including a new shingle roof, painting, replacing eaves, siding, cupola, compromised windows and shutters.

At 8:00 PM Deb moved to close the quotes for the Vienna Drive Enhanced Detention Area. The following quotes were received.

Seufert Construction	\$15,317
Mehling Construction LLC	\$12,300
Moonlight Excavating LLC	\$14,049
Love Excavating	\$61,500

Deb moved to take the quotes under advisement. Lueken and Bohnenkemper will review and consult with the Council President to award the project. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 8:10 PM a hearing was held for Ordinance 2020-04; Additional Appropriation for the Old Town Lake Project was held. Miller explained the \$130,000 additional appropriation consists of \$75,000 from the 2019 budget that was not spent for the Old Town Lake trail project and the remainder is for the Pumphouse/Shelter house project and other improvements that will be funded with donations. Ron moved to adopt the Ordinance. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 8:20 PM there were no quotes received for the Striping Project. Lueken and Bohnenkemper will negotiate with potential contractors.

The town is waiting to hear if the Indiana Department of Transportation's Community Crossing projects are approved for funds.

Bohnenkemper reviewed the KNU CF-1's for this year. She stated the forms were in substantial compliance with the Tax Abatements that were previously granted to KNU. She recommended the forms be approved and the President and Clerk-Treasurer be authorized to sign the compliance forms. There was a motion by Deb to approve and sign the annual Compliance Forms. The motion was seconded by Ron. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

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Adrian Highhouse, a concerned citizen, inquired about the definition of "essential services" related to industry continuing to operate during the coronavirus pandemic. Her concern is, as a

hospice worker, she may be exposed because a family member continues to work in a local factory. Sicard explained the government sets the requirements, not the Town. He thanked her for coming and expressing her concern. He stated that he has observed companies complying with the safe distance requirements.

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

The following announcements were read:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	April 21, 2020 at 7:30 PM
BZA	Wednesday	April 22, 2020 at 6:30 PM
Plan Commission	Wednesday	April 22, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Park Board	Wednesday	April 8, 2020-Cancelled
Economic Development Comm.	Monday	April 20, 2020-Cancelled

Town Wide Yard Sale and Town Wide Clean-Up have been postponed. The GAB Clean Sweep for 2020 has been cancelled.

Ron moved to adjourn. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

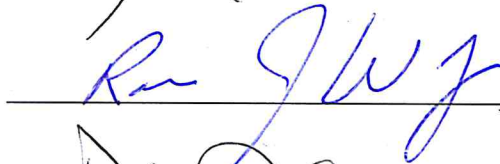
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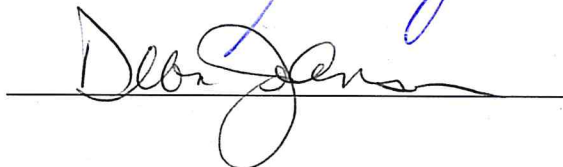
FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL



Clerk-Treasurer








Ferdinand Police Department

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Chief of Police: Lloyd Froman

Assistant Chief: Brian Seffernick

Total Calls For Service		Calls For Service Report February 2020 	
Miles Driven	5568		
Total Gallons	483		
Average MPG	11.52795		
Complaint Type	Total	Complaint Type	Total
Alarm	5	Missing Person Adult/Child	0
Animal Complaint	5	Parking Violation	0
Assist Other Agency	13	Property Lost/Found/Recovered	2
Battery/ Assault	1	Protective/Restraining Order	0
Burglary (attempted)	1	Prowler (report of)	0
Burning Complaint	0	Report to Station	1
Child Abuse/Neglect	0	Return Messages	39
Civil Matter /Dispute	0	State Dispatch	10
Citizen Assist	3	Scam	1
Debris in Roadway	1	Security Check	10
Disabled/Stranded Vehicle	4	Suicide/or a Suicidal Person	6
Disturbance/Disorderly Person	2	Suspicious Person/Vehicle	4
Drug Complaint	0	Theft	4
Domestic Problem	2	Traffic Control	19
Escort	13	Traffic Warnings	28
Eviction	1	Traffic Citations	9
Extra Patrol	1	Trespassing	0
Fight	0	Threats/ Intimidation	0
Finger Printing	0	Vandalism	0
Fire	0	Vehicle Accident	18
General Information	27	Vehicle Accident Leaving the Scene	0
Gun Permit	0	Vehicle Check	1
Harassment	0	Vehicle Lock Out	13
Hazardous/ Not Chemical	0	Warrant	0
Investigation	3	Weather Related Problems	0
Identity Theft	0	Welfare Check	0
Illegal Dumping	0	911 false calls	2
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	Ted	Rob	Eric	Tom	Christian	Joshua	Kyle	Total
Mental Subject										0
Missing Person Adult/Child										0
Parking Violation										0
Property Lost/Found/Recovered	1	1								2
Protective/Restraining Order										0
Prowler										0
Report To Station		1								1
Return Messages	8	10	10	1	7	2	1			39
State Dispatch		2	2	2	2	2				10
Scam		1								1
School Check	10									10
Suicide/or a Suicidal person	1	2		1		1	1			6
Suspicious Person/Vehicle			1			3				4
Theft		2		1			1			4
Traffic Control	1	4	7		7					19
Traffic Warnings	1	1	2	12	2	9	1			28
Traffic Citations			1	4		4				9
Trespassing										0
Threats/ Intimidation										0
Vandalism										0
Vehicle Accident		3	5	2	3		5			18
Vehicle Accident Leaving The Scene										0
Vehicle Check		1								1
Vehicle Lock Out	1	2	2	2	1	2	3			13
Warrant										0
Weather Related Problems										0
Welfare Check										0
911 False Calls		1	1							2
										0
Total Calls	35	41	52	33	32	35	19	2	0	249
Miles Driven	301	645	1200	625	719	1054	696	328		5568
Total Gallons	16	43	81	81	46.5	115.5	67.5	32.5		483
Average MPG	18.8125	15	14.815	7.716	15.4624	9.125541	10.31111	10.09231	#VALUE!	11.53



FERDINAND FIRE DEPT.

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

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2020 Summary of Incidents

	FIRE	EMR		TOTAL
JANUARY	3	13		16
FEBRUARY	2	6		8
MARCH				
APRIL				
MAY				
JUNE				
JULY				
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER				
OCTOBER				
NOVEMBER				
DECEMBER				

We had members attend Pipeline training in Huntingburg.

Myself and EMA director Tammy Humbert toured the two schools and evaluated their tornado preparedness plans and shelter area's.

We are continuously and tirelessly monitoring the COVID-19 situation. As always we are taking the upmost precautions with guidelines changing almost hourly some days. We are prepared, all be it with limited PPE, but hopefully receiving some more stuff here this week. With saying that, I would recommend closing at least our buildings to the public through the month of April. The emails I'm receiving are telling us to be prepared for "numbers" throughout the month of April.



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Electric department report

No outages to report

Replaced bad poles

Cut down a couple problem trees

Took rep from EMC insurance to subs to inventory new and old subs

Converted primary line to secondary and removed transformers that were hard to maintain at senior center

New sub report

Still waiting on regulators



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Departmental Report

We hauled away the limbs and yard waste, moved the drop off site to the new temporary site. Moved the equipment stored at our 23rd street location to 5th street complex.

We added ADA parking spaces and additional turn around area at 5th soccer / football fields.

With what is going on in the world, we are also spending a lot time cleaning and sanitizing restrooms at the parks. This will continue until we get season and part time help.

Hauled away the rest of the stock pile of millings used some for a base for our temporary drop off site.

Hauled the remaining stock out to the Old Town Lake project.

We cleaned and stored our snow and ice equipment.

OLD BUSINESS

CCMG update according to the INDOT newsletter they were to announce the awarded projects in early April but again with what is going on who knows when it will happen.

NEW BUSINESS

Town Hall Exterior Renovation

I was instructed to narrow the rendering down to two and present them. After the choice is made, my next step will be to get a construction estimate.

Visit us for a day. Join us for a lifetime.

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Town Council Meeting:

Water:

Consumer Confidence Report;

We have been working on the yearly **Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR)**. Enclosed is a copy. These reports won't go out until May and I am waiting on IDEM for approval and also to see if we can avoid mailing the report but refer the citizens to go to our web site and the newspaper.

I want to Thank Kendra for typing up the report she saved me a lot of time on the report.

Water Loop;

We have all the easements for the East 5th Street Water Loop Project. We have installed the silt fencing and dug in a temp drainage diversion to keep the storm water away from the yards.

Due to all the rain and wet season it has slowed us down a little, but we have time yet. Hoping to start Wednesday if no rain.

Patoka Water Pit;

We cleared the small brush thru the woods at the Stand Pipe (Water Tower) for the SCADA conduit. Waiting on material for this phase. Patoka won't be starting until late May.

We also are repairing the building at the water tower site that will hold the SCADA system. This building also holds our Radio System.

The Electric Department have replaced the outdated Electrical Panel and added outlets and lighting. **A Big Thanks to them.**

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Tammy Miller, Clerk-Treasurer

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WILLIAM SHANEYFELT, Attorney

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CHRIS JAMES, Town Manager

Due to the Covid-19 Virus, a lot of our vendors are slowing down or just shutting down. Some of our supplies are slow at coming in but it will get better after this is all over.

Wastewater:

Sewer clog on East 5th Street due to the Nursing Home. More rock and wash rags along with hand wipes are causing the sewer main to clog. We have reports that some homes on 285 East had sewer clogs.

We first received a call on Friday 20th from a plumber that was called to 11095 285 East. After he traced the problem back to us, he called. All of the manholes were full and we started to jet the problem area.

We did open up the main for the weekend. We spent all day Monday jetting noting large amounts of rock and debris. This will take several days and man power to clean and vacuum out the rock. We will send another bill when finished.

We also had all the all emergency generators serviced for the year.

Had Weyers help replace some wiring at the Blower building that melted. They also repaired our UV System so it ready for the season.

I want to Thank Tamara for writing up the article and placing into the paper about the proper disposal of wipes and other items. **Again Thank You!**

Thank You
Roger Schaefer



PARKS TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

March 2020 Report

General Park Report

- The park board has elected to hold their monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of every month at 4:30pm at the town office. This will be effective beginning Wednesday April 8, 2020 until further notice.
- Based on discussions with the Council and with the town attorney, all parks will remain open at this time. However, we will not be renting the shelter houses. Ken is going to discuss with Tom Lueken about cleaning the restrooms more frequently at the parks.
- Both the baseball and softball youth leagues have postponed their seasons at this time. A restart time will be determined at a later date.
- Additional trees have been planted at the 18th Street Park near 20th street.
- Tom is working on very requests from the leagues to repair a number of items at the parks prior to start of the season.
- Tom interviewed an employee for the seasonal lawn mowing position. I believe his position was pending the drug screen. Tom may have more information. The part time summer help position is still open.
- The board is investigating the need for restriping the basketball court at the 18th street park.

Old Town Lake

- Not much news in terms of construction at this time. As the weather warms, seeding will commence and the parking drive work will also re-start.
- The board is working behind the scenes on a grand opening town-wide event in cooperation with the YMCA. Details and time of the event have not been set and we will wait to schedule the event.
- The park board has applied for additional grant funding for Phase 2 of the Old Town Lake trail project with the Dubois County Community Foundation. Their process has paused as well.
- Pay Application #10 was submitted by Universal Design / Seufert Construction for payment. The park board approved its payout.

Matthew Weyer

17 March 2020



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TOWN MANAGER TALKING POINTS FOR MARCH 24, 2020 MEETING

1 – I have been participating in daily COVID-19 (Coronavirus) conference calls with various health, school and government officials, to stay as informed and up-to-date as possible on preventative measures and other response actions. News releases from Dubois County Health Department are posted to the Town’s website and Facebook pages in an effort to keep the public informed. These sessions will continue until no longer necessary.

2 – Due to the Coronavirus situation and continually updated guidance from the Governor’s office and Indiana State Department of Health, we have postponed our planned “Halfway to Folk Festival” line-up announcement show to a future date. A statement announcing this year’s performers will be released in the next couple of weeks. At this time, preparations are still ongoing for the 2020 Folk Festival, which is slated for Saturday September 19.

3 – We are continuing to work on the 2020 Dubois County Leadership Academy as several applications have been received. The plan at this time is to hold the Academy, although the opening session and other early gatherings may need to be rescheduled. A conversation with the other board members will be held in the coming days to make more definitive plans going forward. One previously participating company has informed me they will not be sending a candidate this year, due to COVID-19.

4 – The 2020 IMMA Annual Conference, scheduled for April 29- May 1, has been put on hold until later this year, because of COVID-19. We are looking at some later summer dates to have the conference. One topic sure to be added to the agenda will be how to work and deal with an unexpected pandemic situation.

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