

TOWN OF FERDINAND  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 21, 2020

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, in the Ferdinand Community Center. Present were Council President, Ken Sicard; Vice-President, Deb Johnson; Council Member, Ron Weyer; Clerk-Treasurer, Tamara Miller; and Town Attorney, Sharon Bohnenkemper. Deb moved to approve the Minutes of the June 16, 2020 meeting. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard stated the written department head reports (attached) were distributed to the Council prior to the meeting.

John Hoppenjans, Fire Chief, stated the Fireman's Ball will be July 25<sup>th</sup>, drive-thru meals will be sold beginning at 5 PM at the Ferdinand Community Center.

Becher, the electric superintendent, reported the new substation is up and running smoothly. He thanked the Council, especially Ron Weyer, for the support during the project. The Council thanked Becher and his department for their hard work.

Lueken reported the Community Crossing paving projects will begin Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup>.

Roger Schaefer reported Patoka Water shut off the convent water metering pit today. The SCADA system is operating. During the next month, Patoka will dig out the old pit and reset the new pit and reconnect all the lines. He requested the purchase of a new lawnmower for the water and wastewater departments. He acquired three quotes, the lowest being Cub Cadet at the price of \$14,719.20 from Hopf Equipment. Ron moved to approve the request. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Matt Weyer reported the Ferdinand Library will hold a StoryWalk program on July 27<sup>th</sup> at the 18<sup>th</sup> Street Park.

Erik Evitts requested permission for Team RWB to hold the Freedom Walk, starting and ending in Ferdinand, on Sunday, September 13, 2020, beginning at 8 am–noon. The walk is to honor the Police Officers and Fire Fighters who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. He requested the police department's assistance with traffic. Ron moved to approve the request. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Matt Weyer reported the Old Town Lake aims to have an official opening in September.

Sicard moved to extend the Emergency Order and will continue through the date of the next Town Council meeting and will be updated as new guidelines are set by the Governor of Indiana. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Lueken reported the Town Clean-Up dates will be August 11-13, 2020.

Ordinance 2020-10, an Ordinance Amending Salary Ordinance 2019-30 Regarding Salaries, Compensation and Wages for Elected Officials, Appointees and Employees for Elected Official, Appointees and Employees increasing the salary of Ryan Ernst to \$23.52 per hour effective July 17, 2020, was introduced. Deb moved to adopt the Ordinance at the meeting it was introduced. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ron moved that Ken be given authority to sign and that the Town accepted receipt of an amended Guaranty from NextEra as the current one on file was for a 2-year period that expired in July 2020. The new expiration date is July 7, 2022. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Bohnenkemper stated the certificate of insurance was received and all paperwork has been completed for the Safe Haven Baby Box.

Miller stated the Substance Abuse Council requested a waiver of shelter house rental fees of \$50 for their meeting on August 27, 2020. Sicard moved to approve. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0. They will remove all trash created during their event.

Sicard stated social distancing requirements are in effect for the Senior Citizens Center. Letters were sent to the Daughters of Isabella, Generations, and Senior Citizens Inc. outlining the restrictions currently in place and cleaning procedures.

Bohnenkemper stated the town received a request for a release of lien for a closing. The clean-up lien was paid. Ron moved to allow Sicard and Miller to sign for the Town to release the lien. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard addressed the intersection at 285 East and 5<sup>th</sup> Street. After reviewing options, a plan was discussed for Lueken to relocate the stop sign on Sunrise Drive closer to 5<sup>th</sup> street and have "STOP" painted on the pavement. Moving the stop sign will improve the driver's visibility to the east and west. Ken moved to approve the plan. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Bohnenkemper stated that ANR Pipeline has a completion date of July 24, 2020, at which time a walkthrough shall be done and a release needs to be signed. Deb moved to approve Sicard and Miller to sign the release after the walkthrough if Lueken is satisfied. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sicard reported the Town Hall exterior renovation project will be reviewed by the Council as part of the budget process. Universal provided cost estimates.

The October 2020 Rosenvolk is still being discussed.

Miller stated the July 2020 utility invoices will be mailed by Boycemail. Bills will be delivered in an envelope; past usage will be shown in graph form. Bills will continue to be calculated and processed in-house.

Sicard stated, at this point, it appears the second round of Community Crossing grants will not take place at this time.

Bohnenkemper and James are working with New Focus to finalize the employee handbook and if Council weighs in on a few things to consider, it might be ready for department heads to review by the August meeting.

Ron moved to allow Bohnenkemper to submit the Frontier bankruptcy proof of claim, for the Frontier utility bill up to the date of their bankruptcy filing. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

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

Sicard stated Town Council Meetings, BZA and Plan Commission will meet at the Community Center through the end of the year. Park Board and Economic Development will meet at the Town Hall. Social distancing guidelines will be followed and face coverings will be required.

The following announcements were read:

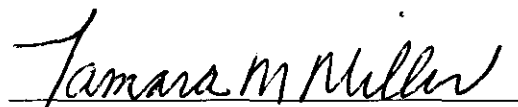
**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	August 18, 2020 at 7:30 PM
Town Council Budget Meeting	Wednesday	July 22, 2020 at 6:00 AM
BZA – Special Meeting	Wednesday	July 29, 2020 at 6:30 PM
Plan Commission	Wednesday	August 26, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Park Board	Wednesday	August 12, 2020 at 4:30 PM
Economic Development Comm.	Monday	August 17, 2020 at 6:00 PM
Spring Clean Up		August 11-13, 2020

Deb moved to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

ATTEST:

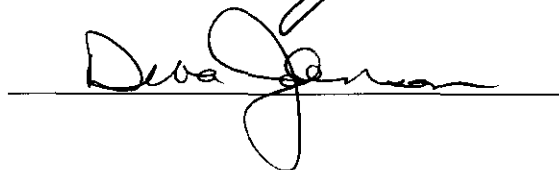
FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL



Clerk-Treasurer







# 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

<b>Total Calls For Service</b>		<b>Calls For Service Report</b> <b>June 2020</b> 	
Miles Driven	<b>4640</b>		
Total Gallons	<b>396</b>		
Average MPG	<b>11.71717</b>		
Complaint Type	Total	Complaint Type	Total
Alarm	9	Missing Person Adult/Child	0
Animal Complaint	6	Parking Violation	0
Assist Other Agency	6	Property Lost/Found/Recovered	0
Battery/ Assault	1	Protective/Restraining Order	0
Burglary (attempted)	0	Prowler (report of)	0
Burning Complaint	1	Report to Station	3
Child Abuse/Neglect	0	Return Messages	39
Civil Matter /Dispute	0	State Dispatch	16
Citizen Assist	4	Scam	3
Debris in Roadway	2	Security Check	0
Disabled/Stranded Vehicle	2	Suicide/or a Suicidal Person	0
Disturbance/Disorderly Person	0	Suspicious Person/Vehicle	0
Drug Complaint	0	Theft	2
Domestic Problem	6	Traffic Control	1
Escort	8	Traffic Warnings	32
Eviction	0	Traffic Citations	6
Extra Patrol	0	Trespassing	2
Fight	0	Threats/ Intimidation	0
Finger Printing	0	Vandalism	0
Fire	1	Vehicle Accident	8
General Information	19	Vehicle Accident Leaving the Scene	0
Gun Permit	0	Vehicle Check	4
Harassment	1	Vehicle Lock Out	12
Hazardous/ Not Chemical	0	Warrant	0
Investigation	1	Weather Related Problems	0
Identity Theft	0	Welfare Check	1
Illegal Dumping	0	911 false calls	3
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										0
Protective/Restraining Order										0
Prowler										0
Report To Station		2			1					3
Return Messages	8	6	2	2	11	2	4			39
State Dispatch	2	2	3	3		4	2			16
Scam		1	1				1			3
School Check										0
Suicide/or a Suicidal person										0
Suspicious Person/Vehicle										0
Theft			1		1					2
Traffic Control		1								1
Traffic Warnings	1	1	3	3	16	11				32
Traffic Citations			1	4	4	1				6
Trespassing				1			1			2
Threats/ Intimidation										0
Vandalism										0
Vehicle Accident	1	1	3			2	1			8
Vehicle Accident Leaving The Scene										0
Vehicle Check		4								4
Vehicle Lock Out	1	5	2			1	3			12
Warrant										0
Weather Related Problems										0
Welfare Check	1									1
911 False Calls		2				1				3
										0
<b>Total Calls</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>199</b>
Miles Driven	340	480	1074	675	573	771	699	28		4640
Total Gallons	32	30	108	58	38.5	93	36.5	0		396
<b>Average MPG</b>	10.625	16	9.9444	11.64	14.8831	8.290323	19.15068	#DIV/0!	#VALUE!	<b>11.72</b>



# **FERDINAND** **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

*SERVING PROUDLY SINCE 1905*

<b>Officer</b>	<b>Warnings</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Cited for</b>	<b>Total</b>
Lloyd	0	0		0
Brian	1	0		1
Ted	1	0		1
Rob	3	1	Speeding 50/30	4
Eric	16	4	2 Possession of Marijuana, 2 Possession of Paraphernalia	20
Tom	11	1	Speeding 51/50	12
Christain	0	0		0
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**Note:**

Eric and Kyle made two arrests for Possession of Marijuana and two for Possession of Paraphernalia. We assisted EMS 5 times and ISP 2 times.



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*SERVING PROUDLY SINCE 1905*

<b>Officer</b>	<b>Warnings</b>	<b>Citations</b>	<b>Cited for</b>	<b>Total</b>
Adam	0	0		0
Josh	0	0		0
Kyle	0	0		0
	0	0		0
	0	0		0
	0	0		0
	0	0		0
	0	0		0

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<b>Reserve</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Adam	0
Josh	29
Kyle	11





## FERDINAND FIRE DEPT.

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

Ferdinand, IN 47532

### 2020 Summary of Incidents

	FIRE	EMR		TOTAL
<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>JULY</b>				
<b>AUGUST</b>				
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
<b>DECEMBER</b>				

**Our annual Firemen's Ball will be held July 25<sup>th</sup> with drive through meals only at the Ferdinand Community Center. We will also still have our raffle.**



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### **Electric department report**

#### **Two outages to report**

Bad cut out at senior center 8 customers out approx. an hour.

Bad cut out at Lee Ct 8 customers out about 90 minutes

#### **Turned on circuits in new substation #5**

Northeast feeds step down transformer

Southeast feeds 7<sup>th</sup> st. new 600 amp line to loop to 5<sup>th</sup> st with new gang operated switch tying 5<sup>th</sup> st line to southeast circuit of substation #5

Replaced 50 ft pole by sewer plant, installed gang operated switch to separate southwest circuit from southeast circuit. Now south

side development and 5<sup>th</sup> st line are on southeast circuit of new substation #5.

Working on power factor improvement

New substation #5

Contractors are done, have about 175 amps (2.1 megawatts) of load on new sub



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## Town Council Meeting Notes July 21st 2020

### Departmental Report

We fixed sink holes around drainage inlets around Town.  
Repaired a storm inlet at 8th and main streets.  
Replaced 40' of storm drain pipe along 14th street.  
Sprayed the weeds along all curbs and right of ways.  
Finished installing the ballers and landscaping at the Town Lake project.  
Ground out tree stumps along 20th street and other locations in the parks where trees were downed from storms, then filled and seeded areas.  
Working on moving limbs and yard waste out at the temporary site at 5th street so in the near we can get back to our 23rd street.

### CCMG UPDATE

The milling crew is scheduled to start **Thursday** the 23rd.

### NEW BUSINESS

I did not hear of any changes.

### TOWN HALL RENOVATION

As of now Tammy has been having conversation with Universal Design when this part is worked out I will do what is necessary to move forward.

### CCMG ROUND 2

Postponed waiting to hear if a change is issued. We will still be responsible for the planning part of the projects, which will not be lost if we would get to apply in the future or if we go it alone.

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

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**July 15, 2020**

**Water:**

Finished Installing East 5<sup>th</sup> Street Water Loop

State Water Testing on East 5<sup>th</sup> Street Water Loop

Started repairing Yards from Water Loop Project

Installed Water Service on West 13<sup>th</sup> and Virginia

Installed 2 water and sewer taps at Kersteins project

Patoka will start installing the new Patoka Water Pit in the next several weeks

**Wastewater:**

Work on plant Maintenance

Took Non-Potable water pump to Evansville for repairs

Steiner Mower Replacement, we spent around 4,000.00 on repairs 2019/2020 and its broke again. We don't want to invest anymore funds into the mower. The frame has been repaired 3 times this year and is broken again due to a factory design flaw in our opinon. We also have Hydraulic problems and other issues.

The cost of the Cub Cadet is **14,719.20** and divided by Water and Sewer is **7,359.60** from each department.

We received several quotes and demo the mowers at the New Lake to see which mower that will stay on the dam without slipping and damage the dam. The best mower was Cub Cadet that is a Comercial Mower. It handled better than the Steiner Mower and was safer to use due to its design. The best thing was someone close to service the mower when needed.

**Sewer Clog at Nursing Home again**

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WILLIAM SHANEYFELT, Attorney

RONALD WEYER, Member  
CHRIS JAMES, Town Manager



## PARKS TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

July 2020 Report

### General Park Report

- The park board met on July 8, 2020.
- Major leases for the various sports leagues were discussed. Many of the leagues have cancelled their seasons. Refunds are being provided to those groups. For events that are still occurring, we've been working directly with them on their plans.
- Per the Dubois County Health Department, any event or league is required to submit a COVID response plan for the upcoming events. Mike Steffe has been working with those partners to help them submit a plan.
- Jenna Steltenpohl with the Ferdinand Branch Library presented a request to host a temporary StoryWalk program along the Ferdinand 18<sup>th</sup> St Park walking Trail. Details were presented and discussed with Tom and the board. The board approved the park's use for this program sometime in July. Further details will be published by the library regarding the StoryWalk. The program will occur sometime in late July.

### Park Cleaning & Sanitation

- The parks are following the State's Back on Track standards and directives.
- Cleaning Concepts has been cleaning the shelters and restrooms on a daily basis. According to Chris James and Tom Lueken, the process has been going relatively smoothly.

### Old Town Lake

- The Old Town Lake was opened to the public on July 3, 2020. The Park Board wishes to again thank all of the phase 1 donors for their generosity. A big thank you needs to go to the DNR Land and Water Conservation Fund. Also thank you to the town departments for helping with the various work needed to get Phase 1 complete. Thank you to the town council, Tammy, Kendra, and Chris for your help. Thank you as well to the design and construction teams of Universal Design, Seufert Construction, and Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission.
- A temporary sign acknowledging the donors has been installed near the walking path. A permanent sign will be installed after phase 2.
- Remaining work at the park includes installing bird netting in the pump house as well as painting the bollards.



## PARKS TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

- The park board discussed September 26<sup>th</sup> as a possible ribbon cutting event. Public events will need to be still determined depending upon the status of the pandemic. Further discussion and
- Final Pay Apps #12 & #13 were approved by the Park Board and submitted to the town council which includes release of retainage, essentially closing the project.
- Final payment & reimbursable expense payments to Universal Design were approved by the Park Board.

Matthew Weyer  
17 July 2020



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## TOWN MANAGER TALKING POINTS FOR JULY 21, 2020 MEETING

1 – After a 3-month delay in getting started, we had a successful opening session to the 2020 Dubois County Leadership Academy, held on Tuesday July 14 at the Ferdinand Branch Library. Following library-based safety protocols, and erring on the side of caution, all participants wore face coverings, maintained social distancing when possible and were temperature checked before entering. Our guest speaker Tad Dickel, in providing a change of pace, took the group outside for portions of the morning, which allowed everyone to remove their coverings and literally see the other participants!

Session #2 is scheduled for Wednesday July 29, at Keith Fritz's two properties along Main Street. The group will begin at 1245 Main, the old Blue Flame Gas site, then be given a tour of 1440 Main, which is his furniture facility. I am looking forward to a seeing the work done at 1245 Main, as Keith continues to bring the building back to its previous appearance.

2 – The annual Municipal Manager's seminar has been officially cancelled for 2020. We were originally set to meet in Nashville, IN in late April, which was postponed due to COVID-19. Board members held a Zoom conference June 30 to discuss whether or not to proceed with the re-scheduled seminar in early August. After a fairly brief conversation, it was decided to cancel for this year, as attendance was pretty much guaranteed to be way down, while still spending quite a bit of money. We are currently looking at hosting a handful of Zoom lunch sessions, as way of keeping contact with colleagues and passing along information that may be useful in our communities- be it for COVID-19 or other topics.

3 – Also cancelled for this October is the annual AIM Ideas Summit, to have been held in South Bend. AIM leaders are presently exploring ways to hold virtual sessions. More details will be known later this summer.

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