

TOWN OF FERDINAND  
SPECIAL MEETING  
April 8, 2026

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a Special Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, in the Ferdinand Town Hall. Present were Council President, Ken Sicard; Vice-President, Debbie Johnson; Council Member, Ron Weyer; Town Attorney, Sharon Bohnenkemper, and Clerk-Treasurer, Tamara Miller.

Sicard asked if there were any additional bids for the Community Crossing Road Projects. No additional bids were submitted. Ron moved to close the acceptance of bids. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The following bids were opened:

	<u>Base Bid Amount</u>	<u>Unit Price for Unsuitable Soil</u>
C&R Construction, Corydon	\$851,706.50	\$135 per cubic yard
Koberstein Contracting, Evansville	\$805,696.89	\$300 per cubic yard
Knies Construction, Jasper	\$832,733.01	\$150 per cubic yard

To expedite the award process, Brett Schipp with Universal Design and Eric Rahman left the room to review the bids and to determine a recommendation for the Council.

Ron moved to adopt Resolution 2026-03, A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Ferdinand, Indiana, Approving A Resolution of the Ferdinand Plan Commission Approving a Resolution of the Town of Ferdinand, Indiana, Redevelopment Commission Designating and Declaring the Ironwood Residential Economic Development Area (Ironwood Residential Economic Development Area). Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Kathy Tretter stated there will be a Mass held on April 22, 2026, at 6 PM at the site of the first Mass held in Ferdinand on April 22, 1840. As an official America 250 Celebration, the Dubois County Historical Society will be hosting a Revolutionary Rendezvous at the Ferdinand State Forest on April 10, 11 & 12.

Schipp and Rahman returned to the Council Room and Schipp stated he reviewed the bids. The low bid from Koberstein contained a fatal flaw on Form 96, so the bid was rejected. Brett recommended accepting the bid from Knies Construction, base bid of \$832,733.01 and the unit price of \$150 per cubic yard for unsuitable soil. Debbie moved to accept the Knies bid contingent upon

receiving the CCMG award from INDOT. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Form 96 will be emailed to INDOT tonight after the meeting. The Town's match will be 20%, and the State will fund 80% of the contract amount.

As there was no further business to discuss, Ron moved to adjourn. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

ATTEST:

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL

*Lanuan McMiller*  
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Clerk-Treasurer

*Ken Sward*  
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*Debbie Jensen*  
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