

TOWN OF FERDINAND

REGULAR MEETING

September 15, 2020

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a Regular Meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, September 15, 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.

Sicard asked for a moment of silence to remember the September 11, 2001 attack on America and those who were injured, those who lost their lives, and those who responded with valor. He stated, "On that day, we were all Americans."

Deb moved to approve the Minutes of the August 18, 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.

Lueken stated curbside leaf collection dates will be communicated once dates are set.

Matt Weyer stated the Park Board will hold a ribbon-cutting at the Old Town Lake on Saturday, September 26th at 10 AM, with an Open House from 11 AM-3 PM. There are OTL T-Shirts, hats, and other items available to order. Phase I is complete. The Council thanked Matt Weyer and the Park Board members for their dedication and hard work completing Phase I of the OTL project. Donations are now being accepted for OTL Phase II.

Sicard and Bohnenkemper updated the procedures to be followed in the event an employee or family member contracts COVID-19. The documented procedures were distributed and Sicard reviewed with all departments. Deb moved to approve Resolution 2020-05 documenting the Town policies in place since the declaration of the public health emergency to safeguard our workforce, effective August 24, 2020, through December 31, 2020. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 7:45 PM, the 2021 Budget Hearing was held. Miller reported the Advertised 2021 Budget was \$2,126,214 (2020 was \$2,087,668) with an adopted tax rate of .8009 (2020 was .8025) per \$100 of assessed value of \$107,508,272 (2020 was \$101,950,108). The Maximum Levy is \$861,106 (2020 was \$828,669) an increase of 4.2%. The Budget Form 3 was posted on Gateway and is available at www.budgetnotices.in.gov. The 2021 budget adoption meeting will be Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall. Ron moved to close the hearing. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Johnson reported the health insurance committee met with the health insurance representative and is waiting for 2021 rates estimated to increase by 7%-11%.

Ron moved to approve Resolution 2020-06, which is aimed at assisting those utility customers who have experienced financial difficulties as a result of COVID-19 by offering installment plans. The 6-month installment agreement has been proposed and reviewed by Council. Through December 31, 2020, no utility disconnections will be made without the customer being first offered a reasonable time to request that Council extend extraordinary relief. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

James, on behalf of the YMCA, requested approval of the 2020 YMCA Monster Dash 5K route presented which is the same as the previous 9 years. The 5K will be held at 10 AM on October 31, 2020. Deb moved to approve the request. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Council considered whether or not to allow Trick or Treating this year. Ken moved to allow Halloween Trick or Treating, only to those homes with a porch light on, during the hours of 5 PM – 7 PM on Saturday, October 31, 2020. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 8:00 PM, Ron moved to close the acceptance of quotes for the backhoe. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0. One quote was received from ERB Equipment, Evansville. The quote for a John Deere 310 backhoe loader with an extended warranty was \$96,750. The trade-in value of the 1997 John Deere 310SE loader backhoe was \$13,000. Net cost after trade-in was \$83,750. There were two lease options included. The quote from ERB was taken under advisement. Ron moved to allow James and the departments (with input from the Clerk-Treasurer on the financing options) to meet to review the quote and provide a recommendation. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Miller stated the council has approved the Universal Design renderings for the Town Hall exterior renovation. Deb moved to allow the advertisement for bids for the exterior renovation. Bid opening will be October 20, 2020, at 8:00 PM. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The 2020 Rosenvolk has been canceled. They are considering requesting two events in 2021.

At 8:15 PM, Miller introduced Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2020-11, appropriating \$149,998 from the Community Crossing Grant Fund for capital outlays. The amount represents the CCMG grant received to resurface sections of Lee Court, Illinois Street, Michigan Street, and Missouri Street. Deb moved to adopt the Ordinance 2020-11 at the meeting it was introduced. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The Community Crossing Matching Grant Applications for the second round of 2020 will open on September 25, 2020, and close on October 23, 2020. Ron moved to approve Lueken to work with Miller and Schipp to move forward with the application process. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

A tax abatement request will be considered at the next council meeting on September 29, 2020.

A company has requested permission to attach cable lines to our utility poles. It was decided to request more information and specifics from the provider.

Bohnenkemper has prepared a Stop Street Ordinance to be presented at a future meeting. The No Parking Street Ordinance aims to limit parking to one side of a street in certain residential areas to allow emergency vehicles safe passage. The council will address the ordinance at the October 20, 2020 meeting. Those streets are:

On the West side of Kimberly Court
On the South side of Caesars Court
On the West side of Ridgeway Court
On the North side of Ridgeway Court
On the West side of Robin Drive
On the South side of Cardinal Drive
On the South side of Meadowlark Lane

Deb moved to permit Lucken to have the curb at 5th Street and Main Street painted yellow to clearly mark where parking is prohibited. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The employee handbook is nearing completion.

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

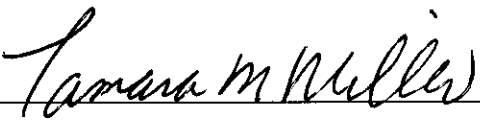
The following announcements were read:

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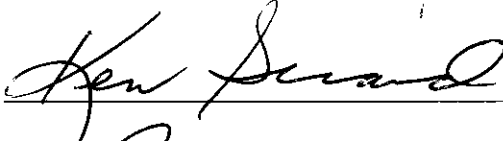
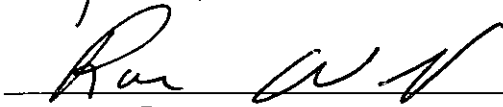
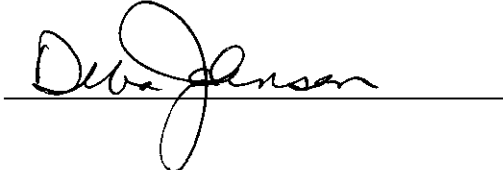
Town Council Budget Adoption (Town Hall)	Tuesday	September 29, 2020 at 5:30 PM
Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	October 20, 2020 at 7:30 PM
BZA	Wednesday	September 23, 2020 at 6:30 PM
Plan Commission	Wednesday	September 23, 2020 at 7:00 PM-Cancelled
Park Board	Wednesday	October 14, 2020 at 4:30 PM
Economic Development Comm.	Monday	September 21, 2020 at 6:00 PM
Old Town Lake Ribbon Cutting	Saturday	September 26, 2020 at 10:00 AM
Old Town Lake – Open House	Saturday	September 26, 2020 11AM – 3PM

Deb moved to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

ATTEST:


Clerk-Treasurer

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL


Ferdinand Police Department

243 W 10th Street, Ferdinand Indiana 47532

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Chief of Police: Lloyd Froman

Assistant Chief: Brian Seffernick

Total Calls For Service		Calls For Service Report August 2020 	
Miles Driven	4882		
Total Gallons	470.5		
Average MPG	10.3762		
Complaint Type	Total	Complaint Type	Total
Alarm	16	Missing Person Adult/Child	0
Animal Complaint	1	Parking Violation	0
Assist Other Agency	20	Property Lost/Found/Recovered	1
Battery/ Assault	1	Protective/Restraining Order	0
Burglary (attempted)	1	Prowler (report of)	0
Burning Complaint	0	Report to Station	4
Child Abuse/Neglect	0	Return Messages	33
Civil Matter /Dispute	0	State Dispatch	9
Citizen Assist	6	Scam	1
Debris in Roadway	1	Security Check	0
Disabled/Stranded Vehicle	6	Suicide/or a Suicidal Person	4
Disturbance/Disorderly Person	1	Suspicious Person/Vehicle	5
Drug Complaint	0	Theft	4
Domestic Problem	3	Traffic Control	17
Escort	7	Traffic Warnings	32
Eviction	0	Traffic Citations	3
Extra Patrol	1	Trespassing	0
Fight	0	Threats/ Intimidation	0
Finger Printing	0	Vandalism	0
Fire	1	Vehicle Accident	11
General Information	29	Vehicle Accident Leaving the Scene	0
Gun Permit	0	Vehicle Check	5
Harassment	0	Vehicle Lock Out	9
Hazardous/ Not Chemical	0	Warrant	0
Investigation	3	Weather Related Problems	1
Identity Theft	0	Welfare Check	4
Illegal Dumping	1	911 false calls	5
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	Seth	Scott	Jay	Adam	Total
Mental Subject														0
Missing Person Adult/Child														0
Parking Violation														0
Property Lost/Found/Recovered					1									1
Protective/Restraining Order														0
Prowler														0
Report To Station			1	1	1	1								4
Return Messages	6	7	6	4	6	2	2							33
State Dispatch			2		5		1			1				9
Scam					1									1
School Check														0
Suicide/or a Suicidal person		2			2									4
Suspicious Person/Vehicle			2	1		2								5
Theft			1		2		1							4
Traffic Control	2	3	2	1	1			2		2	2	2		17
Traffic Warnings	4	2	3	4	7	9	1			2				32
Traffic Citations					1	1	1							3
Trespassing														0
Threats/ Intimidation														0
Vandalism														0
Vehicle Accident		1	4	1	5									11
Vehicle Accident Leaving The Scene														0
Vehicle Check			2	2	1									5
Vehicle Lock Out			3	2	1	1	2							9
Warrant														0
Weather Related Problems					1									1
Welfare Check		1			1		2							4
911 False Calls		1	2		1	1								5
														0
Total Calls	26	34	45	27	57	23	20	4	0	6	0	0	0	246
Miles Driven	447	260	670	631	1045	1081	542	206						4882
Total Gallons	32	17	76	75	68	116	62	24.5						470.5
Average MPG	13.9688	15.294	8.8158	8.413	15.3676	9.318966	8.741935	8.408163	#VALUE!	#VALUE!				10.38