

March 11, 2025

The Ridgeville Town Council met with all members present, Wes Schemenaur, Eric Huffman, Randy Young, Hunter Kisgen and Randy Green were all present. Nic Wells was absent. Minutes approved, Tom motioned, 2nd by Bill, motion carried. Tom motioned to accept claims, 2nd by Jeff, motion carried.

First on the agenda was the Cheeseman property. Tom Motioned to Table, 2nd by Jeff, motion carried.

Next on the agenda was Jonathan Snyder's water bill. Jonathan Snyder was present. The town will set Mr. Snyder up on a payment plan of \$75.00 per month in addition to his current water bill. Tom motioned to set Mr. Snyder up on this payment plan. 2nd by Jeff, motion carried. Wes said they need to waive late fees and penalties and review again in three months. Tom motioned to amend previous motion to include waiving late fees and penalties on Mr. Snyder's bill (unless he falls behind) and to review his situation again in three months, 2nd by Bill, motion carried.

Council, Randy Young, Hunter Kisgen and Kevin Green met with the contractors and engineers on 3/3/2025 and a plan was put in place to get things fixed. Grant contingency was discussed and we are trying to figure out how much is left in contingency funds.

Wes prepared an Ordinance Amending the Town of Ridgeville, Indiana Water Use Ordinance, which covers the changes discussed in previous meetings regarding the water meters. Tom read the ordinance out loud. Tom motioned to accept the Ordinance Amending the Town of Ridgeville, Indiana Water Use Ordinance, 2nd by Jeff, motion carried. Tom did the second reading, then motioned to accept the second reading, 2nd by Bill, motion carried. Wes told Toni to make sure she publishes the Ordinance.

Toni let everyone know that she was still waiting for the bank to complete the questionnaire for the payroll direct deposit. She did have the payroll direct deposit forms and handed those out to the employees that were present so they could begin filling those out and get them back to her.

Online bill pay is set up and going and so far going great.

The brush pile at the sewage plant was brought up during the last meeting but nothing was decided on what to do with it. We brought it up again to see if we can get this resolved. Randy said it is illegal to burn in town and we could get into trouble to burn

that brush pile. Tom would like for someone to call the surrounding towns and ask what they do with their brush. Arlinda said she would make calls to surrounding towns.

PD Vests - nothing was ever decided at the last meeting. Eric asked to table this because he has been out sick and not able to look into this any further.

Grant Cox from the Randolph County Community Foundation was present. He wanted to let the town know that they have applied for a couple of grants (DNR layer, US Fish & Wildlife Grants) to remove the dam behind Josh Phenis' property. They have talked to the homeowners in the area. They are hoping for this project to start in 2027. If the community has any questions they can contact him at the Community Foundation.

The 2025 Green Township Fire Protection contract was presented and signed. The 2025 Franklin Township contract has also been signed.

The stop sign in the alley behind the Goodhews Metal building has been removed. Council said this stop sign needs to be put back up.

Randy and Tim are to assess alleys and see what ones need gravel.

There is a restroom on the east side of the old fire department. Arlinda suggested seeing if it was 'fixable' and could possibly be used during the festival. Tom said that we could look at it and asked if Randy could do that and report back.

Randy gave the council a proposal from GRIPP Inc. for 2025 annual flow meter calibrations and sampler maintenance. Tom motioned to accept this proposal, 2nd by Jeff, motion carried.

Randy let us know that the Skata alarm system has been ordered and shipped.

Deb Tharp was present and asked to speak. She said the annual Touch the Truck event was scheduled in Winchester for April 5. She handed out flyers and said that she has placed some signs around town. She also asked that when those are taken down that they please be returned back to her.

Roberta Rigby was present and asked that some 'Slow - Children At Play' signs be placed on her street. Tom asked Randy to get with her to get that taken care of.

There was mention of all of the social media posts regarding the park. People have been complaining about the profanity written on the pirate ship. Randy said he went to

the park to look at the pirate ship and someone took red paint and painted over the profanity and inappropriate things that were drawn on it. Tom would like everyone to think about a Community Clean Up/Project Day.

We said we need to start thinking about the Community Crossings Grant for 2026 and get on the list and contact an Engineer.

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2024 at 6:00pm.

Tom motioned to adjourn, 2nd by Jeff, motion carried.

Tom Ford Jeff Ford Bill Buehler

Attest: Wendy Hoyer