

# Town of Roann

## Board Minutes

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The regular monthly meeting was called to order on October 8, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library basement by President Mary Wilson, Brady Brower, Bruce Shaw, Dave Magley, & Julia Rensberger were present. Three residents, Bob Birk from CIIS, Gail Gonterman & Mike Keester from Gove & Associates & Bob Murphy were also present.

Minutes from September meeting were read and approved.

Claims for October were approved.

### Old Business

**Bank bldg.**-First Farmers bank faxed a copy of the agreement for Windfall transfer to Dave. Dave will work out the gift letter to fit our needs. The town will have to pay for the appraisal & title work. C/T to check & see if the CEDIT money can be used for this purpose. The town will be able to rent the office space after posting a public notice. Brady made the motion to use \$1000 out of the CEDIT money for the property title & appraisal, Mary 2nd carried 2-0.

**Annexation**-Steve is working on the financial plan.

**Grants**-No new information on the Chipper or Storm water grants.

Bob Murphy told that he will have to send out certified letters to several engineering firms for the planning grant. Everyone signed the sign in sheet for the public hearing. He gave us a list of items he needs by next meeting. We will pass a Fair Housing resolution in November. Also need to adopt a drug Free workplace policy & sign a letter to the Environmental Officer for funds to be released. The paperwork will be finalized in November for the Planning grant.

**Water rate increase**- C/T had to make changes to the ordinance to show a rate table for sewage usage for the new Keystone program that was installed on the 7th of October. Brady made the motion to accept & sign the corrected Ordinance # 1-2002 for water rates increase & Ordinance # 2-2002 for the Sewage rates increase to take effect on November 1st billing. Mary 2nd carried 2-0.

**School building**-After much discussion over the maintenance of the school, Brady made the motion to have Dave send MSD Superintendent a letter stating that the Town will relinquish any liability for maintaining the school building or providing insurance coverage on the structure after we receive the bank building. Mary 2nd carried 2-0. The ball diamond will not be accessible to us after the building is returned. The town will look into finding property for a ball field.

### New Business

\*Brady made the motion to set the trick or treat hours for October 31 from 5-8 PM. Mary 2nd carried 2-0.

\*Bob Birk from CIIS presented the town a safety award plaque received from IPEP Insurance for the year 2001.

\*Concerned resident asked what the town can do about Carmen Colbert/Charlie Krisher property. The property has not been cleaned up since the owners died, which has been over a year. Dave will check to see if there is an Estate being executed & send a letter to them to clean up the property.


\*George Zinsmeister was concerned about a rumor that Farm Bureau Co-op was going to give the town the property on Chippewa St. There needs to be tests done on the property to see if there are any chemical spills or problems that need cleaned up by them.

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Dave stated that the Co-op would have to clean up the property before selling to anyone. Bob Murphy stated that there is a grant that can be used to test the site & the owners would be responsible for the cleanup.

\*Julia requested that the board sign an advertising resolution stating that the town will use the paper&/or the Wabash Plain Dealer for advertising. This will ensure that the 2003 budget will be advertised properly, Dave will also provide a letter to the fact that the paper is a legal newspaper. Brady made the motion to sign this resolution, Mary 2nd, carried 2-0. Next regular board meeting will be on November 12, 2002 at 7 PM in the Library basement. Brady made the motion to adjourn at 7:55 PM Mary 2nd carried 2-0.

  
October 28, 2002  
Submitted by Julia Rensberger  
Clerk Treasurer for the  
Town Board  
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