

Town of Roann Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2023

I. Call to Order

Jerry Nelson called to order the Regular Board Meeting for the **Town of Roann** at **7:00 p.m. on the 16th day of October, 2023** in **Roann Town Hall**.

II. Roll Call

The following persons were present: Jerry Nelson, physically present, Neil Bever, physically present, Jeremy Fisher, physically present, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., physically present, Kristina Lynn, Tony Janeway, Damon Prater, Peggy Myers, and present are 2 citizens.

III. Approval of Minutes from last meeting

The Town Council read the minutes from the Public Hearing Meeting on September 11, 2023, the minutes were approved as read.

The Town Council read the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on September 11, 2023, the minutes were approved as read.

Open issues

- a) Jeremy Fisher made a motion to adopt the Budget 2024-01. Neil Bever seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0. The Town Council votes were as follows: Jeremy Fisher AYE, Jerry Nelson AYE, Neil Bever AYE, to adopt the Budget 2024-01.
- b) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. stated nothing to report on the Park at this time.
- c) The Council tabled the Burn Ordinance until the next board meeting.
- d) The Council tabled the Parking Ordinance until the next board meeting.
- e) Tony Janeway reported the fuel pump is hooked up and working as it should.
- f) Jerry Nelson advised Wabash County is willing to gift the Railroad Property to the Town of Roann. Ceres Solution is also willing to gift the property, formerly known as the North Central Co-op property, to the Town of Roann as well. After some discussion, Neil Bever made a motion to prepare a Resolution for the Railroad property and Ceres Solution property, formerly known as North Central Co-op property, and authorized Kristina Lynn to receive information and discuss the property. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.

New Business

- a) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. presented Ordinance 2023-2, a loan from Water to Sewage at Zero interest for \$25,000.00 and must be paid back within five years. Neil Bever made a motion to waive the 1st reading of Ordinance 2023-2. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0. Jeremy Fisher made a motion to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2023-2. Neil Bever seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- b) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. announced we have been working on a new Web Page and it is now live and can be found at IN.GOV/TOWNS/ROANN.
- c) Tony Janeway advised the Town Council that a resident on State Road 16 has low water flow on the Town side and has reached out to the State, a flag crew, Duke Energy and is waiting for more information.
- d) Tony Janeway advised the mower is not working. Neil Bever made a motion to rent a mower for \$350.00 for one more mowing this year. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- e) Tony Janeway advised the Council he has located a Vac from North Manchester to clean out pot holes but needs new tires and is waiting for more information.
- f) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. presented Special Salary Ordinance No. 1, 2024. Neil Bever made a motion to approve the 1st reading of Special Salary Ordinance No. 1, 2024. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- g) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. advised Dollar General is interested in locating in Roann and is requesting recommendation from the Council to pursue the area and will provide the purchase agreement for the Council to review site and building plans. The Town Council agreed to favorably pursue the project.

IV. Adjournment

Jerry Nelson adjourned the meeting at **8:28 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by: 
Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., IAMC, CMC, CMO, Clerk/Treasurer

Minutes approved by: 
Jerry Nelson, Council President

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