REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2025

The Rosedale Town Council held their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rosedale Town Hall. Carol Brown, Barbara Leitgabel, Cody Mason, Brad McNeill and Diane Balder were present. Brown made the motion to approve the minutes from the April 8 meeting, seconded by McNeill. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOBILE HOME/ANIMAL ORDINANCE: Still waiting on the Town Attorney.

THOMPSON'S FLATWORK: Brad Thompson has billed the town for the retainage on the sidewalk project. Montgomery wanted to confirm that everyone was satisfied with the work before making the payment. Everyone agreed to go ahead and pay the bill.

TOWN WEBSITE: Still working on getting the site migrated to the town's in.gov website.

TOWN CLEAN-UP - Clean-up Day will be May 17 from 9am to 1pm at the Civic Center. No TV's, paint or tires will be accepted.

TOWN HALL DOOR: Has been measured. It is a custom order and needs to be ordered in person. Montgomery has been waiting to go with McClintock to make sure the order is correct.

COMMUNITY CROSSINGS 2025: Montgomery has been looking into the second call for 2025 and the information has not been released. She recommends signing the contract with HWC and using it to update our PAMP. Montgomery also recommends waiting until January 2026 to apply.

NEW BUSINESS:

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL: Sarah Osborn was present to ask the town to close the street for the 2025 Strawberry Festival on Friday, June 6 at noon until Sunday, June 8 at 5 pm. Balder made the motion to close, seconded by Leitgabel. All in favor.

ORDINANCE 2025-2 - Montgomery presented an ordinance from Scott Craig which would require a permit from any company wanting to use our right-of-way for installation of utilities. The ordinance will require a fee and will protect the town in the event that our sidewalks or streets are damaged. Mason made the motion to approve, seconded by McNeill. All in favor.

NEW POSITION: The Council has discussed a new position to be added to the Salary Ordinance. The town needs an assistant street superintendent that could work in the event that McClintock would go on vacation or was unable to work. The current pay-rate for part-time help is great for high school summer help, but not for this position. After discussion, the new position would pay up to \$17 per hour. Leitgabel made the motion to suspend the rules to modify the salary ordinance, seconded by McNeill. All in Favor. Balder made the motion to create the new position and begin taking applications, seconded by McNeill. Montgomery will modify the ordinance and present it for signatures next month.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: Montgomery presented a couple of options on a comprehensive plan being created with the help of HWC for all incorporated towns in the county. Comprehensive plans are great for grant applications. The cost would be from \$7000 - \$12000 for each community. Montgomery does not have this in the budget, but would try to work it out if the council wanted to move forward. Brown made the motion to pass on the comprehensive plan, seconded by Mason. All in favor.

FOREVER FUND: Montgomery discussed the Rosedale Forever Fund that is held at the Parke County Community Foundation. The funds were created in 2016 and Rosedale currently has \$10,000 available for use towards recreation. There is an additional \$1894 available as well. Montgomery has been working with Kenzie Pollard on revitalizing the fund.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

WATER/SEWER:

Penalties - 86, Tags Hung - 5, Shut-off - 2 (Both back on)

Water tower painting would be mid-summer. Water leak at the bottom of the hill. Wastewater had an issue at some point.

STREET: Planning to start patching. Need to install parking signs.

PARK: Need new commercial swings. Maybe a new playset for younger kids. Maybe a canopy for shade.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

7 - Total Runs: 2 - Medical, 1 - Chimney Fire, 2 - Tanker Assist, 1- Brush Fire, 1 - Tree Down

CEMETERY: 0 - Burials, 0 - Cremation, 0 - Graves Sold

POLICE: 2 - School Patrol, 1 - Ordinance Violation, 1 - Sickness, 1 - Investigation Follow-up, 1 - Domestic Situation, 1 - Difficulty Breathing, 1 - Animal Complaint, 3 - Traffic Stops, 1 - Reckless Driving

McNeill and Montgomery informed the police department that a new tip had come in on the whereabouts of the town tractor that was stolen last September. Bratcher and Miller will follow-up.

CLERK-TREASURER: Montgomery attended the downtown revitalization seminar in French Lick with several other community members through Partnership Parke County. Montgomery came back with action sheets and lots of good ideas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mike Kirby - attended the meeting to discuss his property on Sinclair Street. Kirby is trying to start clean-up and pay off his large water bill caused by a leak. Another man wanted to ask about getting somes graves seeded at the cemetery. McClintock has it on the list. Cliff Kemper was in attendance to discuss an issue with the trash truck cutting the corner on his street. McClintock told him that he could place a post there.

Brown made the motion to pay the bills, seconded by Balder. All in favor. Brown made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Leitgabel All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Council President

Clerk-Treasurer