

Approved Minutes for the Town of Rocky Ripple Board Meeting, June 9, 2009

Attendees: Robert Tomey, Carla Gaff-Clark, Cathy Hurt

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Meeting minutes

The minutes from the May meeting were read. The word “movement” was changed to “motion” in the last sentence.

Robert made a motion to accept the minutes with the above changes. Carla seconded and the motion was approved.

Treasurer’s Report

As of May. 31, we had \$6907.92 total in checking and savings. Expenses were \$8747.43 and income was \$2949.84. Notable expenses were \$3740.00 for general liability insurance and \$1,323.00 for workman’s comp insurance. A copy of the financial summary that was handed out to board members is attached to this report.

The general fund has a negative balance; it is at -\$5207.75. Cathy requested that the money in the LRS fund as of June 9, 2009 (\$6421.68) be transferred to the general fund. Robert made a motion to do so, Carla seconded.

Robert made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, Carla seconded.

Old Business/ Citizen Concerns

Payment for the park water was once again brought up. After some discussion, Robert stated that we need to stop spending so much time on small issues so we can better take care of the larger issues we have.

Kenny Taylor donated \$10 toward park water and \$1 for soft drinks.

Is was asked whether Anne Jansen had made any efforts to repay the stolen money to the town. She has not.

Dan Axler asked to borrow all the tables & chairs in the town hall for July 30/ Aug 1. In exchange, he will fix up all the tables and chairs that are fixable. He was granted permission.

It was asked if people could refrain from blowing grass clippings into the street after they mow their lawns. We will ask Angela to include a notice about that in her next update.

New Business

Robert made a motion to charge \$25 with a \$50 refundable security deposit to reserve the Hohlt Park pavilion for a half day. The groups that are now excluded from having to pay to use the town hall would be excluded from having to pay to use the pavilion. The money will be used for park maintenance, including toilet rental.

Carla seconded the motion. It was noted that we can change the terms in the future if we need to.

There may be an article in the Indianapolis Star about Butler’s work in Fountain Park.

Carla and Marshal Kiefer are still working on a grant towards a police vehicle. Matching funds are going to be an issue. It was noted that for insurance purposes the vehicle must meet police vehicle specifications- not just any vehicle will do. It may be possible to strip the current car of the police equipment and sell it, using that money to go toward a new car. It may also be possible to retrofit a used Crown Victoria.

It was asked whether we could get a grant to refurbish the current car. The current car has a head gasket oil leak, the suspension and steering need work and the transmission is slipping- it needs quite a bit of work.

Robert made a motion to order a toilet for Hohlt Park, to be put in the same place as it has been. It will be paid for using money from the pavilion rental and donations. Carla seconded the motion.

Action: Cathy to order the toilet. (B&R has the cheapest price at \$75/month, including weekly service.)

One objection was raised regarding selling advertising in the toilet.

Marshal's Report

There were 3 ordinance violations for failure to stop at stop signs, and one report of a house being egged. Marshal Kiefer would like to thank John and Bev Atkinson for donating the answering machine. Dan Axler said that he had a phone that he would donate.

Other Business

Robert was told that the people who had been living at the house at 54th and Clarendon are no longer living there. The people living there now would like everyone to know that they are working hard to remove the old cars and clean the place up. (Note: it was discovered later that Robert had been told falsely and the original occupants are still living there.)

The Hohlt Park pavilion needs to have its wood surfaces sanded and sealed. Dan Axler and Chris Wright will do the work. John Bleakly said that Watco oil sealer should be used- it should be sprayed on. Robert said that he had some sealer that could be used. Lights in the pavilion also need to be fixed. Mick volunteered to do that work.

With no further business, Robert made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm. Carla seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Hurt

Rocky Ripple Financial Summary

May 2009

	Checking + Savings	General Fund	Motor Vehicle Highway Fund	Local Roads & Strests Fund
Starting balance:	\$ 10,206.42	\$ 1,182.81	\$ 3,476.29	\$ 4,291.35
Routine monthly expenses				
Utilities, except street lights:	\$ 322.74	\$ 322.74		
IP&L park pavillion	\$ 11.38			
IP&L town hall	\$ 58.09			
IP&L vet's monument	\$ 16.57			
AT&T, phone & internet	\$ 82.34			
Citizens Gas, town hall	\$ 129.00			
Water, town hall	\$ 10.73			
Water, park	14.63			
Street Lights:	\$ 736.29		\$ 736.29	
Town Marshal/ Street Commissioner:	\$ 2,431.68			
Wages	\$ 2,111.94	\$ 1,055.97	\$ 1,055.97	
Gas for police car	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00	
State taxes	\$ 119.74	\$ 119.74		
Other:	\$ 73.60	\$ 73.60		
bank fees	\$ 23.60			
security deposit refunds	\$ 50.00			
Routine Quarterly expenses	\$ -	\$ -		
legal services (Q4 2008 & Q1 2009)				
wages, town board				
federal taxes				
Non-routine Expenses	\$ 5,183.12			
Workman's Comp Insurance	\$ 1,323.00	\$ 1,323.00		
General Liability Insurance	\$ 3,740.00	\$ 3,740.00		
Office Supplies	\$ 15.12	\$ 15.12		
Furnace repair	\$ 105.00	\$ 105.00		
Total Expenses:	\$ 8,747.43	\$ 6,755.17	\$ 1,992.26	\$ -
Income from State:	\$ 2,585.23			
LRS	\$ 1,047.93			\$ 1,047.93
MVH	\$ 1,537.30		\$ 1,537.30	
ABC gallonage		\$ -		
Income from County:	\$ 169.17			
LOIT oper dist	\$ 169.17	\$ 169.17		
advance dist				
Ordinance violations:		\$ -		
Gun permits:				
Town Hall Use:	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00		
Other:	\$ 20.00			
Donation for park water	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00		
Interest:	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.44		
Total Income:	\$ 2,949.84	\$ 364.61	\$ 1,537.30	\$ 1,047.93
Outstanding checks paid	\$ 1,255.97			
Current outstanding checks	\$ 3,755.06			
Ending balance:	\$ 6,907.92	\$ (5,207.75)	\$ 3,021.33	\$ 5,339.28