

## **Approved Minutes for the Town of Rocky Ripple Board Meeting, Feb 12, 2013**

Attending: Brad Barcom, Carla Gaff-Clark, Robert Tomey, Cathy Hurt  
The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **Meeting minutes**

The board members had all read the January unapproved meeting minutes and no changes were requested. Robert made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Brad seconded.

### **Treasurer's Report**

As of January 31, we had \$69,625.19 total in checking and savings. Expenses were \$6,835.61 and income was \$3,011.61. Notable expense was \$800 for legal fees to Jon Elrod for Q3-4, 2012.

Robert made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Brad seconded. A copy of the monthly financial summary that was handed out to board members is attached to this report.

Marshal Kiefer asked how much our monthly phone bill is. As of this month it just increased to \$114.82. Marshal Kiefer is going to shop phone plans for the town. We will need a cell phone for police communications going forward.

### **New Business/ Resident Concerns**

As you come into town on 52nd Street, the No Thru Traffic signs are so weathered that you can't really read them. These signs are controlled by the city- Marshal Kiefer will call it in.

Bart Herriman and Mike Reed have reported problems with cars that are speeding around the corner of Riverview and 54<sup>th</sup>. Marshal Kiefer is aware of the problem and will keep an eye on the situation.

Robert suggested that we install speed bumps. It was asked whether we really wanted to do that. It was asked how much it would cost and stated that we would need signs. It was asked whether we could put a gap in the speed bumps so that bicycles would not have to go over them. It was asked whether it was legal for us to install speed bumps. We can check with Mr. Elrod.

### **Old Business**

We have not heard from Mr. Elrod regarding a recommendation for an environmental lawyer. Carla will contact him. It was suggested that we look at student lawyers that may be willing to do research for us.

Regarding flood protection, Robert and Brad talked to a representative from the Indianapolis Department of Public Works who said that the 56<sup>th</sup> Street alignment for the project is still on the table. This will result in a large structure over the canal at 56<sup>th</sup> Street. The structure will have to conform to Homeland Security regulations, which will require it to have barbed wire and lights. Removable panels would be set into the street in a high water event. The wall would go up 56<sup>th</sup> Street, so that no residents would be blocked in if the panels are raised.

Carla was told by a US Army Corps of Engineers representative that the only way to finish the flood mitigation project was to extend it to Butler.

A decision on the project will be made this year.

Regarding street ice and snow removal, Dan Foreman has been salting Canal Boulevard and major intersections using a hand spreader. It takes him about 2 hours. He checks the street daily on his way out of town.

Ely Hinkle is interested in being a backup driver for the plow, as is Art Bracken.

It was stated that Dan is very good about taking care of the equipment. He checks the oil and tires on the truck before he takes it out. He would like to make a maintenance checklist for the truck.

Dan needs to submit his time for his work on street clearing so that we can pay him.

Gardens of Growth has expressed interest in mowing for the town this year. Carla told them that we have been happy with Greenspace Design, but that they are welcome to submit a bid. We are not willing to sign a contract for a certain mowing schedule.

Carla called the city about salting the bridges and they have been salting them. She also talked to them about fixing the damage that was done by the trash truck that got stuck at the 4900 end of Riverview Drive. They said that they would “do something” to repair it.

What is the status of the liquor license for the Pinecone Center? It is not being pursued at this time.

Pinecone Center clients have been parking in the park. Do we want to install No Parking signs? It was asked how that would affect legitimate park users. Maybe we could make it no parking from dusk to dawn.

### **Marshal's report**

Marshal Kiefer asked about the status of the annual police grant. Carla replied that it is not quite time to apply yet.

The old communications system will be shut down March 1, 2013 and will not be supported after that. We need to upgrade the police wireless card and computer.

Brad stated that maybe we could use a cellphone hotspot. It was stated the T Mobile has a plan that includes a mobile hotspot for \$70 a month, and that it was a fast connection. Marshal Kiefer stated that there are restrictions on which plans he can use. He will research plans, as stated above.

The light post that was down at the 53<sup>rd</sup> Street entrance was hit in a hit and run incident. The car was registered to a resident of Rocky Ripple, but later reported stolen.

Brad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. Robert seconded.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cathy Hurt

Town of Rocky Ripple, 930 West 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Rocky Ripple, Indiana

Rocky Ripple Financial Summary									
Jan. 2013									
	Checking + Savings	General Fund	Motor Vehicle Highway Fund	Local Roads & Streets Fund	Funds under General fund				
					Police car	Police Training	Park water	Park toilet	
<b>Starting balance:</b>	<b>\$ 74,126.97</b>	<b>\$ 29,730.02</b>	<b>\$ 12,451.08</b>	<b>\$ 30,074.91</b>	<b>\$ 13,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,848.35</b>	<b>\$ 84.19</b>	<b>\$ (1,547.00)</b>	
<b>Routine expenses</b>									
<b>Utilities, except street lights:</b>	<b>\$ 328.65</b>	<b>\$ 328.65</b>							
IP&L park pavillion	\$ 11.38								
IP&L town hall	\$ 79.67								
IP&L vet's monument	\$ 18.38								
AT&T, phone & internet	\$ 98.22								
Gas & water, town hall									
Water, park							\$ -		
park toilet rental	\$ 121.00							\$ 121.00	
<b>Payroll</b>	<b>\$ 3,098.88</b>								
Marshal/ Street Comm. wages	\$ 2,796.00	\$ 2,796.00							
Trustee wages	\$ -	\$ -							
Clerk-Treasurer wages	\$ -	\$ -							
Federal payroll taxes	\$ 297.75	\$ 297.75							
Workforce Development	\$ 5.13	\$ 5.13							
<b>Other</b>	<b>\$ 1,877.59</b>								
Bank fees	\$ 16.30	\$ 16.30							
Street lights	\$ 736.29		\$ 736.29						
Police car gas	\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00						
Legal services	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00							
Cleaning service	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00							
Mowing service	\$ -	\$ -							
<b>Non-routine Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,530.49</b>								
Office supplies	\$ -	\$ -							
Police supplies	\$ -	\$ -							
Information systems	\$ 34.89	\$ 34.89							
Police training	\$ -	\$ -				\$ -			
Legal ads	\$ -	\$ -							
Insurance	\$ -	\$ -							
Town hall repair & maint.	\$ -	\$ -							
Pavillion repair & maintenance	\$ -	\$ -							
Flyer printing	\$ -	\$ -							
clerk-treasurer school/ ILMCT dues	\$ -	\$ -							
snow plowing	\$ 60.00		\$ 60.00						
snow plow gas	\$ -		\$ -						
snow plow repair	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -					
vehicle maintenance	\$ -		\$ -						
street repair materials	\$ -		\$ -						
Road salt service	\$ 1,265.00		\$ 1,265.00						
Road salt	\$ 170.60		\$ 170.60						
Stormwater Fees	\$ -	\$ -							
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 6,835.61</b>	<b>\$ 4,353.72</b>	<b>\$ 2,481.89</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 121.00</b>	
<b>Income from State:</b>	<b>\$ 2,251.47</b>								
LRS	\$ 941.71			\$ 941.71					
MVH	\$ 987.81		\$ 987.81						
Accelerated MVH1	\$ -		\$ -						
Accelerated MVH2	\$ -		\$ -						
Cigarette tax	\$ -	\$ -							
ABC Gallonage	\$ 321.95	\$ 321.95							
<b>Income from County:</b>	<b>\$ 576.54</b>								
LOIT	\$ 196.15	\$ 196.15							
Public Safety dist. water PILOT	\$ 380.39	\$ 380.39							
river boat property dist. excise dist.									
property tax dist: sold properties									
<b>Other:</b>	<b>\$ 183.60</b>								
Donations	\$ -	\$ -							
Repayment, A Jansen	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00							
Town hall use	\$ -	\$ -							
Pavilion use	\$ -	\$ -							
Ordinance violations	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00			\$ 25.00				\$ -
Gun permits	\$ -	\$ -				\$ -			
Interest	\$ 8.60	\$ 8.60							
Refunds	\$ -	\$ -							
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$ 3,011.61</b>	<b>\$ 1,082.09</b>	<b>\$ 987.81</b>	<b>\$ 941.71</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Outstanding checks paid</b>	<b>\$ 1,870.96</b>								<b>\$ 15,323.35</b>
<b>Current outstanding checks</b>	<b>\$ 1,193.18</b>								<b>\$ 11,135.04</b>
<b>Old outstanding checks</b>									
<b>Ending bank balance:</b>	<b>\$ 69,625.19</b>	<b>\$ 26,458.39</b>	<b>\$ 10,957.00</b>	<b>\$ 31,016.62</b>	<b>\$ 13,475.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,848.35</b>	<b>\$ 84.19</b>	<b>\$ (1,668.00)</b>	