

Approved Minutes for the Town of Rocky Ripple Board Meeting, May 14, 2013

Attending: Brad Barcom, Robert Tomey, Cathy Hurt
The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

Meeting minutes

The board members had read the April 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 April 30, we had \$56,710.39 total in checking and savings. Expenses were \$11,610.24 and income was \$3,739.03. Notable expense was \$5,752.00 for general liability and auto insurance.

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

Old Business

Carla was away on business but sent an email reporting on her activities since the last meeting, as follows.

"During the last month I have worked with the river folks to be ready for the permission slips from the city. The initial ones did not have the changes Bart, Zach and Mr. Elrod had asked for. They were basically all saying the same thing, and Mr. Elrod then sent everything on to the city. As you both received the message from Mr. Oakley on Thursday, the changes are expected to be made soon and the paperwork will be sent out. Butler, the canal folks and Rocky Ripple have all asked for changes to the permission slips.

Once they are sent out I will work with my chain of residents to assist in getting them signed as soon as possible.

Additionally, I have made a few inquiries about street work. I am not sure how much we want to spend, but we do have a few areas in town that need more than pothole filling, so I will see what type of estimate we can get in during the next month or so.

On another note, I went to a street meeting, at the request of the Rocky Ripple Community Association, regarding this year's festival. There was an issue with the street being closed due to a new organization wanting to host its event on the same day as our festival. This appears to be worked out, but congestion around Illinois and 56th Street is still likely on that date."

Marshal's report

Marshal Kiefer wrote 3 uniform traffic tickets for running stop signs, 3 uniform traffic tickets for speeding, and 3 ordinance violations for running stop signs. He did not have consistent access to police information services in the past few weeks, which limited his ability to write tickets. But the new phone system is in place and seems to be running well.

Resident Concerns

There were concerns about clearing the sides of the streets for pedestrian safety. Vegetation is a problem, as are some large rocks that have been placed so that pedestrians cannot get off the street when vehicles are coming. Mike will talk to homeowners, but he has never received a definitive answer from Mr. Elrod as to the legal distance that we can enforce. Robert stated that Mr. Elrod has never given us a definitive answer on anything.

Vegetation is obscuring stop signs in town, and that needs to be cleared. We do know that we can clear vegetation up to fourteen feet over the roadway. Brad stated that if there was time after the meeting, he would do some tree trimming. Robert stated that he would help him.

Paul Redmond has been mowing Veterans Park and asked if the town would reimburse him for gas. He would like \$10 a month.

The Veterans group usually donates money to the town to pay the light bill at Veterans Park, which is about \$16 per month. Brad suggested that Paul could ask the group to use some of that money to pay for mowing. This would be more straightforward if we are audited. Robert stated that he would talk to Chris Wright, the treasurer for the Veterans group.

For reference, it costs \$40 to have the town hall mowed. The cost to have the service mow Veterans Park would probably be similar.

Paul was asked to save his gas receipts for mowing the park.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Hurt

Town of Rocky Ripple, 930 West 54th Street, Rocky Ripple, Indiana

Rocky Ripple Financial Summary									
Apr. 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
Starting balance:		\$ 64,863.91	\$ 20,383.44	\$ 9,667.42	\$ 33,150.28	\$ 13,575.00	\$ 1,848.35	\$ 84.19	\$ (1,668.00)
Expenses	Routine expenses								
	Utilities, except street lights:	\$ 284.47	\$ 284.47						
	IP&L park pavillion	\$ 11.38							
	IP&L town hall	\$ 79.07							
	IP&L vet's monument	\$ 16.98							
	phone & internet	\$ 119.40							
	Gas & water, town hall	\$ 52.74							
	Water, park	\$ 4.90						\$ 4.90	
	park toilet rental								\$ -
	Payroll	\$ 4,323.39							
	Marshal/ Street Comm. wages	\$ 4,194.00	\$ 4,194.00						
	Trustee wages		\$ -						
	Clerk-Treasurer wages		\$ -						
	Federal payroll taxes	\$ 79.43	\$ 79.43						
	Workforce Development	\$ 49.96	\$ 49.96						
	Other	\$ 1,076.59							
	Bank fees	\$ 15.30	\$ 15.30						
	Street lights	\$ 736.29		\$ 736.29					
	Police car gas	\$ 250.00			\$ 250.00				
	Legal services		\$ -						
	Cleaning service	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00						
	Mowing service		\$ -						
	Non-routine Expenses	\$ 5,925.79							
	Office supplies	\$ 18.40	\$ 18.40						
	Police supplies		\$ -						
Information services	\$ 34.89	\$ 34.89							
Police training		\$ -				\$ -			
Legal ads		\$ -							
Insurance	\$ 5,752.00	\$ 5,752.00							
Town hall repair & maint.		\$ -							
Pavilion repair & maintenance		\$ -							
Flyer printing		\$ -							
clerk-treasurer school/ ILMCT dues		\$ -							
snow plowing				\$ -					
snow plow gas				\$ -					
snow plow repair					\$ -				
vehicle repair				\$ -					
street repair materials				\$ -					
Road salt service				\$ -					
Road salt				\$ -					
Refunds- park/ town hall use	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00							
Stormwater Fees	\$ 40.50	\$ 40.50							
	Total Expenses:	\$ 11,610.24	\$ 10,623.95	\$ 986.29	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4.90	\$ -
Income	Income from State:	\$ 2,759.59							
	LRS	\$ 1,041.84			\$ 1,041.84				
	MVH	\$ 1,461.07		\$ 1,461.07					
	Accelerated MVH1			\$ -					
	Accelerated MVH2			\$ -					
	Cigarette tax		\$ -						
	ABC Gallonage	\$ 256.68	\$ 256.68						
	Income from County:	\$ 576.54							
	LOIT	\$ 196.15	\$ 196.15						
	Public Safety dist.	\$ 380.39	\$ 380.39						
	water PILOT								
	river boat								
	property dist.								
	excise dist.								
	property tax dist: sold properties								
Other:	\$ 402.90								
Donations	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00					\$ 20.00		
Repayment, A Jansen	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00							
Town hall use	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00							
Pavilion use	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00						\$ 125.00	
Ordinance violations		\$ -				\$ -			
Gun permits		\$ -					\$ -		
Interest	\$ 7.90	\$ 7.90							
Refunds		\$ -							
	Total Income:	\$ 3,739.03	\$ 1,236.12	\$ 1,461.07	\$ 1,041.84	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 125.00
	Outstanding checks paid	\$ 1,662.77							Total of positive balance funds: \$ 15,423.35
	Current outstanding checks	\$ 1,380.46							Unrestricted in General Fund: \$ (4,427.74)
	Old outstanding checks								
	Ending bank balance:	\$ 56,710.39	\$ 10,995.61	\$ 10,142.20	\$ 34,192.12	\$ 13,575.00	\$ 1,848.35	\$ 99.29	\$ (1,543.00)