

Town of Roann Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2025

I. Call to Order

Jerry Nelson called to order the Regular Board Meeting for the **Town of Roann** at **7:15 p.m. on the 11th day of August, 2025 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, Steve Hicks, Peggy Myers, and present is 15 citizens.

III. Approval of Minutes from last meeting

The Town Council read the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on July 14, 2025, the minutes were approved as read.

Open issues

- a) Mr. Secos (planner in law consultant) representing Roann Business owner Lakhwinder Singh (KD) sharing information regarding 240 Chippewa Street. Mr. Singh is requesting favorable recommendation of an ordinance permitting the package liquor store. Neil Bever made a motion to give a favorable recommendation for the special exception use for the operation of a package liquor store at this location. Jeremy Fisher AYE, Jerry Nelson AYE, Neil Bever AYE. The Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- b) Kristina Lynn shared the IHCD (Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority Creating Places Program, Patronicity Matching Grant) is nearing the end with deadline August 31, 2025. Kristina Lynn advised the park committee will be meeting on August 14, 2025. The Committees attention is on the fund raising and all the grant fund is toward the park equipment. Kristina advised the process of collecting bids will be meeting on August 25, 7:00 p.m. and there will be opening of the bids. Kristina Lynn advised the committee is hoping for ground breaking in mid-September.

- c) Kristina Lynn talked with Tim DeVore about the things the pullers own and duties and obligations they fulfil at the pull track. Kristina Lynn will also talk to Lions Club and share a summary with the council and then work on a draft.
- d) Tony Janeway is still waiting on a couple other quotes for the generator.

New Business

- a) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. reported the Roann Volunteer Fire Department submitted the contract of \$18,200.00 for 2026 with the first half of \$9,100.00 due June 1, 2026 and second half of \$9,100.00 due December 1, 2026. Neil Bever made a motion to approve the Roann Volunteer Fire Department contract of \$18,200.00 Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- b) The Town Council agreed to Halloween Trick or Treat hours for Town of Roann to be Friday, October 31, 2025 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Jerry Nelson made a motion to approve Halloween hours. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- c) Tony Janeway advised the council of a situation where a Roann resident purchased a home in Roann and the Sewage was not hooked up to the main. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. is waiting for invoices to bill the resident for hook up and credit the recent bills for the sewage. Neil Bever made a motion to approve the credit on the sewage bill for the resident in town for the past couple months. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- d) Kristina Lynn shared with the council the existing swing set at the park needs to be moved before ground breaking and excavation work. Kristina Lynn is asking if the council would consider the expense and get some estimates for paying out of the park fund verses out of the park community fund raising. Kristina Lynn advised we will move forward with getting some more information. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will follow up with Martin Duffy (project manager).
- e) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. presented the 1st reading of the Special Budget Ordinance 1-2026. Neil Bever made a motion to approve the 1st reading of Special Budget Ordinance 1-2026. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- f) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. administered the Oath of Office to Marshal Steve Hicks. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will be responsible to sign, seal and deliver the document to the appropriate location.
- g) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. announced Peggy Myers, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer is the first Deputy in the Town of Roann to earn her IAMC (Indiana Accredited Municipal Clerk) and her CMO (Certified Municipal Official). Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. also announced Peggy Myers has received her IAMCA (Indiana Accredited Municipal Clerk Advanced) and will receive her CMC (Certified Municipal Clerk) on October 11, 2025.

Jerry Nelson adjourned the meeting at **8:18 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., IAMC, IAMCA, CMC, CMO, Clerk/Treasurer

Minutes approved by:

for


Jerry Nelson, Council President

RMFJ/pm