

**TOWN OF SWAYZEE INDIANA  
213 S WASHINGTON STREET  
SWAYZEE INDIANA 46986**

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**AARON TRAVIS  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

October 20, 2025  
Swayzee Town Hall

The Swayzee Town Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Aaron Travis, President.

Present were Aaron Travis; President, Rhonda Fagan, Heather Zirkle, Tyler Bundrick, and Mike Horsley, Town Board Members.

Also in attendance were Desiree Arenas; Clerk Treasurer, Becky Johnson filling in for Kyle Persinger; Town Attorney and Josh Miller; Town Marshal.

Aaron Travis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aaron Travis opened the public meeting for the Adoption of the 2026 Budget Ordinance 2025-03 at 7:05pm. Council and the public did not have any questions or concerns.

Aaron Travis made the motion to accept the 2026 Budget. Heather Zirkle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0. The 2026 Budget Adoption was closed at 7:10pm.

Resolution 2025-06 was Introduced to maintain a balanced budget for the remainder of 2025 and for the year of 2026. Reducing the 2025 MVH line item for July through December 2025 in the amount of \$45,000.00.

Aaron Travis made the motion to accept Resolution 2025-6 Reducing MVH 45,000.00. Tyler Bundrick seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Rhonda Fagan made a motion to accept the September 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. Tyler Bundrick second the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5.0.

## **VISITORS**

Randy McNally, Don Thompson, Rodney Lawson, Derek Patterson and Brady Edgington, Brittany Riner.

Brady Edgington wanted to know if we had other plans for the property at 307 E Main if it doesn't sell? He also wanted to know if we had an update on the old restaurant and property at 303 E Main Street.

Marshal Miller will contact Ivisa Huber who owns the Swayzee Cafe at 101 S Washington, Swayzee about the cars in the lot and dumping trash in Chuckwagon's trash bin.

Randy McNally wanted to know when leaf pick-up would start. Council informed Randy that Leaf pick-up would start on November 3rd and end on November 30th.

Harold King discussed the topic TIF. The process would take about 2 months. A meeting was held and Swayzee is not viable for TIF. The town of Swayzee will have revenue loss in 2027, 2028, 2029.

## **MEDIA**

### Town of Swayzee Website Project – Quick Summary

- Updates: I have given the first round of edits to the host. Please look over and let me know what other changes you see.
- Email Vendor: SHI (works under Indiana State QPA contracts with IOT discounts)
- Purpose: Set up official town email under [swayzee.in.gov](mailto:swayzee.in.gov)
- Options:
  - Google Workspace
  - Microsoft 365
- Next Step:
  - Town needs to choose a platform (Google or Microsoft)
  - SHI will schedule a short call and prepare a quote
- In progress:
  - SHI is setting up a Town of Swayzee account
- They requested:
  - Town tax exemption form
  - A blank purchase order (to confirm billing/shipping info)

Brittany will schedule a meeting with the Clerk Treasurer regarding .gov emails.

## **WATER**

Peerless Midwest, Inc. recently completed an inspection on the 3 Media Filters for the town of Swayzee. During the inspection they found the Media Filters, that were replaced in 2010, are worn out and need to be replaced. Peerless plans to rebuild 1 filter at a time and use the other (2) to send filtered water to the system. The labor cost for cutting the 24" manways, remaining onsite for vacuuming the old media out, completing the filter inspections, installing the new media, backwashing the filter, and collecting two (2) good bacteriological samples. Each Media Filter will cost \$38,521.00. This will be done on a three phase payment. The first Media Filter will start in the fall of 2025 and plan to be completed in June of 2026. To complete all 3 by end of June.

Aaron Travis made a motion to accept the quote from Peerless Midwest to rebuild the 3 Media Filters at the Water plant for \$38,521.00 each. Mike Horsley 2nd the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

## **CLERK TREASURER**

Introducing Adam Williams. He was hired on 9/17/25 for part-time work in water/wastewater. Approved at the last meeting 9/15/25.

50/50 sidewalks 2 applications. J. Collins and E. Arenas are complete. Still waiting on Collins payment. She has been contacted.

Joe Piccinnini with USPS called the office on October 15 th, asking for our mailing address to mail a letter. He also stated they will start construction on the post office in early spring of 2026 and will be completed in the fall.

## **TOWN ATTORNEY**

The Swayzee Town Council passed, Resolution 07-2025, offering the real estate property situated at 307 East Main Street, Swayzee, Grant County, Indiana.

Bids will be received at the Swayzee Town Hall 213 S. Washington Street, Swayzee, Indiana 46986 beginning on October 21, 2025, and continuing from day to day until 12:00 Noon on November 14, 2025. A minimum bid of \$25,000.00 must be placed.

Aaron Travis made a motion to accept Resolution 07-2025 for the Sale Real Property at 307 E Main Street, Swayzee, Indiana 46986 for a minimum bid of \$25,000.00. Mike Horsley second the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5.0.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

2013 Dodge Charger is experiencing an oil leak originating from both the oil cooler and valve covers. The oil cooler appears to be the most urgent issue as it is beginning to separate, which could result in the total loss of oil. Additionally, I've noticed the temperature gauge fluctuated this week, and upon checking the coolant, I found it nearly empty. After refilling it, I observed that the leak seems to be coming from the lower heater core hose. Given the severity of these issues, I plan to switch out of the 2013 Charger this weekend to prevent any further damage to the engine.

2014 Dodge Charger rear taillights are not functioning. I suspect this may be a recurrence of the same issue my vehicle faced, where the tail light flasher was improperly wired, causing a short. I plan to address this repair over the weekend.

Grant County School Safety Committee Meeting – September 18th, 2025: Attended the committee meeting to discuss ongoing safety initiatives and improvements in local schools.

Grant County School Safety Committee Meeting – October 16th, 2025: Attended the committee meeting to discuss ongoing safety initiatives and improvements in local schools.

Annual Taser Re-certification – September 29th, 2025: I attended an annual Taser re-certification course, hosted by Marion Health. This training class was provided to me free of charge.

Requesting to purchase a mobile radio for our 2014 charger, utilizing a portion of the donated funds from the money received from the Swayzee Economic Development Group. This vehicle does not currently have a mobile radio installed, posing an officer safety risk. I received a quote from J&K Communications in the amount of \$3,754.61. I have attached a copy of this quote to this report.

Requesting a new laptop for the 2022 Dodge Ram from Discount PC in the amount of \$814.95.

Aaron Travis made a motion to approve the purchase for a new radio and laptop for the Swayzee Police vehicles. Rhonda Fagan seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

Requesting to purchase the encryption keys for the (2) Motorola mobile radios we are currently using. I'm still waiting to hear back from ERS on a quote for that upgrade, but I was told it should not exceed \$1,200. I would utilize the money received from the Swayzee Economic Development Group to pay for that purchase.

Don Thompson with SEDC said he will bring a check to the Clerk Office in the amount of \$12,127.00 from the 2 grants they applied for the Swayzee Police Dept.

Grant County Central Dispatch completed the county wide switchover to phase 2 for all channels. Our new Kenwood portable radios are working perfectly on the new system with no current issues. Our (2) Motorola mobile radios that are in my car and the Dodge Ram is working on phase 2 after being flashed by ERS. We did learn at the time the ERS technician was on-site that these radios did not come with encryption. So currently we cannot hear any traffic on encrypted channels.

The Police Department would like to thank, Don Thompson President of the Swayzee Economic Development Group for applying and receiving donations for a mobile radio to use in our 3rd vehicle which currently has no radio, and for another portable radio.

I have completed the amendments to the ordinances that were approved in the last council meeting. I have emailed copies of everything that needed updated on the towns website to Brittany. Jake received and installed the new 25 mph speed limit signs last week for East and West Lyon's street.

Rhonda Fagan announced that 2026 Swayzee Days will be a 2 day event on August 21st & 22nd.

Aaron Travis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tyler Bundrick second the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

The next Town Council Meeting will be November 17, 2025 at 7pm.

  
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Aaron Travis, President

  
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Desiree Arenas, Clerk Treasurer