# **Town of Worthington July 8, 2025, Meeting Minutes**

The Worthington Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at the Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. Members in attendance were Jason Robertson, Kim Archer, Dustin Banning, and Chad Provo. Brian Stoner was absent from the meeting.

The Meeting was called to order by Jason Robertson, who led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Kim Archer led in prayer.

## Re: Meeting Minutes

Kim Archer made a motion to approve the June 10, 2025, Regular Minutes, and June 26, 2025, Special Session Minutes. Dustin Banning seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

## Re: Accounts Payable and Payroll Claims

Kim Archer made a motion to approve the accounts payable, and payroll claims as presented. Dustin Banning seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

## Re: SIDC Grant Modification - WWTP Project

Kim Archer made a motion to allow Council President Jason Robertson to sign the grant modification letter to the State of Indiana, acting by and through the Office of Community and Rural Affairs, to request a change of the end date from August 31, 2025, to August 31, 2026, for the Worthington Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Project. Chad Provo seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-1. Dustin Banning abstained.

## Re: SIDC Representative Michelle Carrico – Wessler Engineering Payments

Kim Archer made a motion to approve the pay application from Wessler Engineering for May and June in the amount of \$13,405.80 for services rendered with regard to the WWTP Project. Chad Provo seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-1. Dustin Banning abstained.

## Re: Clerk-Treasurer's Report

The Clerk-Treasurer reported that a total of \$582.00 in interest was earned on investments through TrustIndiana in June 2025.

#### Re: Street Department Report

Street Department Superintendent Tim Edelman reported that he and Roy are cleaning town alleyways and have ordered more rock for around the town. They also continue to keep an eye on the issue on Jefferson Street in front of the funeral home as it continues to seep water.

## Re: Utilities Report

Utilities Deputy Renie Powell gave a Utilities report to the Council. Ms. Powell also mentioned that her office has started using work orders for the Street/Sewer Department in order to maintain a steady workflow for the town.

## Re: Police Department Report

Town Marshal Jacob Gambill gave a report on police activity since the last Council Meeting. Mr. Gambill also reported that there will be a Junior Police Academy held on July 19, 2025, at the Linton, Indiana FOP Grounds and a gun raffle to support future academies.

## Re: Park Internet and Surveillance

Mr. Gambill told the Council that he would like to get internet for the Town Park, which would cost around \$50.00 per month, to support surveillance cameras placed around the park, both for the safety of the park visitors and to deter vandalism to the buildings and equipment within the park. The cameras would cost about \$340.00.

## Re: Police Department, Additional Appropriation Request

Dustin Banning made a motion to advertise for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$22,000.00 from the General Fund requested by Town Marshal Jacob Gambill in order to pay for an added Deputy Marshal through the end of 2025. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

## Re: Police Department, Request to add Deputy Marshal

Dustin Banning made a motion to approve Town Marshal Jacob Gambill's request to add another Deputy Marshal to the Worthington Police Department beginning July 22, 2025. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Mr. Gambill mentioned that he would like to use part-time staff until year's end to make sure shifts are covered and work out any issues going forward with 3 full-time staff and auxiliary officers, to which the Town Council agreed.

## Re: Hinchman Building Restoration

The Council decided to have the Clerk-Treasurer contact the 2 bidders on the Hinchman Building restoration: ServePro, who won the bid at \$8,132.10 and 1-800-Water Damage, whose bid was \$9,725.23, that they lost the bid. ServePro will be asked to put the Hinchman Building on its schedule as soon as possible to start the restoration process.

## Re: Worthington Park Board

The Council discussed the need to revamp the Worthington Park Board since there have been several resignations lately. The Council decided to ask Worthington residents who are interested to apply for a position on the Park Board, and the Council will revisit the subject at the August 12, 2025, Council Meeting.

As there was no more business to come before the Worthington Town Council, Dustin Banning made a motion to adjourn. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Town of Worthington Council meeting. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing on YouTube for as long as this media is supported.

Jason Robertson, President

Matthew W. Baker, Clerk-Treasurer

# Town of Worthington July 10, 2025, Special Session Minutes

The Worthington Town Council met in special session on Thursday, July 10, 2025, at the Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. Members in attendance were Jason Robertson, who appeared by phone, Kim Archer, Dustin Banning, and Chad Provo. Brian Stoner were absent.

The Meeting was called to order by Jason Robertson.

## Re: Town Marshall - Purchase of Greene County Sheriff's Deputy Car

Town Marshal Jacob Gambill told the Council about the need for an extra vehicle for the police department due to the hiring of a second full-time Deputy Marshal. Mr. Gambill will purchase of a 2014 Ford Police Interceptor Explorer from the Greene County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$4,000.00 or less for use by the part-time and auxiliary police officers.

## Re: Utility Office Support

The Council went over several ideas on how to pay for the help needed in the Utility Office but decided that a full-time Administrative Assistant would not be practical given the tight restrictions placed upon the sewer funds. It was also mentioned that the Administrative Assistant would have to work less than 29-1/2 hours to keep the position classified as part-time going forward.

#### Re: Fund Report Discussion and Pre-budget Hearing

The Clerk-Treasurer explained to the Council the different town funds and how they are generally used in day-to-day business. The Council went over the proposed 2026 Budget in some detail and sought to produce a workable, objective budget while still giving the employees an equitable wage increase. The Council took the proposed budget under advisement.

As there was no more business to come before the Worthington Town Council, Kim Archer adjourned the special session.

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