

**Town of Worthington**  
**March 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes**

The Worthington Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at the Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. Members in attendance were Jason Robertson, Kim Archer, Brian Stoner, Dustin Banning, and Chad Provo.

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 February 11, 2025, Regular & February 27, 2025, Special Session Minutes. Dustin Banning seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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 5-0.

Re: Clerk-Treasurer's Report

The Clerk-Treasurer reported that a total of \$752.32 in interest was earned on investments through TrustIndiana in February 2025.

Re: Street Department Report

Street Department Superintendent Tim Edelman Gave a report on the following projects:

- a) Tim & Roy are putting more gravel on the local alleyways.
- b) The Council asked Tim to solicit bids for concrete work at Lift Station 5 from several contractors to compare pricing.
- c) Tim announced that the Town Clean-up Day will run from Friday, April 25 to Sunday, April 27, 2025, with several trash drop off containers and one metal recycling container being provided.
- d) It was added that Saturday, April 26, 2025, is designated as Tire Amnesty Day by the Greene County Solid Waste District, where tires can be recycled at no charge.
- e) The Street Department will be ordering a gas-powered plate compactor/tamper to help them make quick repairs on town streets and alleyways.
- f) The Council decided to table approval of purchases for a tree limb shredder and street sweeper until more information could be gathered regarding other avenues the town might take.

#### Re: Utilities Report

Utilities Deputy Renie Powell reported to the Council that her department has been collaborating with those customers who are late on their sewer bills to help them get caught up. This has proved successful.

#### Re: Police Department Report

Town Marshal Jacob Gambill gave a report on police activity since the last Council Meeting. Mr. Gambill also asked the Council to consider purchasing a solar-powered speed limit sign to be added where SR 157 South and Smith Ferry Road intersect to warn drivers to slow down when headed down Smith Ferry Road. The cost would be approximately \$3,000.00. The Council decided to take the matter under advisement.

#### Re: Sewage Hook-Up Fees

The Council decided to have Town Attorney Darla Brown draft an ordinance to charge a \$100.00 sewage hook-up fee for citizens who have a new sewer run installed, plus any added cost incurred by the town in restoring the road surface to its original condition should it be disturbed.

#### Re: Worthington Fire Territory Funds Transfer

The Council tabled any approval of a possible 5% transfer for the Worthington Fire Territory from their General Fund to the Equipment Fund to a future meeting, noting that Council President Jason Robertson will contact Charles Strickler and Town Attorney Darla Brown to work out specifics before Ms. Brown drafts an ordinance for consideration by the Council.

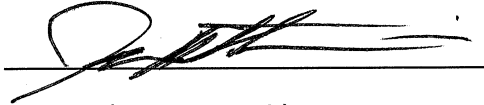
#### Re: Miscellaneous Items

Miscellaneous items addressed:

- a) One town resident registered a complaint about a neighbor's property which has been filled with garbage for some time. Town Marshal Jacob Gambill told the Council that he and President Jason Robertson inspected several locations around Worthington to see what excess material found on people's property would be deemed garbage per town ordinance and they found 6 to 7 properties that fit the criteria. Mr. Gambill said that a certified letter would be sent to each property owner requesting that they clean up their land to an acceptable standard or attend a Special Session of the Town Council to explain why they are exempt from this ordinance. The Council decided to hold a Special Session on Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. for this purpose.
- b) There were two residents that brought up the need for concrete sidewalk improvement on a portion of N. Dayton Street between Main Street and Union Street plus a portion on N. Lessie Street near White River Valley Elementary School. It was mentioned that some grants are still available to help fund this work. The local Tri-Kappa chapter will also donate proceeds from an upcoming spaghetti dinner fundraiser to be held on May 2, 2025, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. toward the sidewalk project.

- c) Roman Manley informed the Council of his intention to add more storage units on the old Front Porch Restaurant property and a studio apartment just behind it.

As there was no more business to come before the Worthington Town Council, Kim Archer made a motion to adjourn. Chad Provo seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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Jason Robertson, President

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Matthew W. Baker, Clerk-Treasurer