

**Town of Vernon  
Vernon Gym  
Regular Meeting (7:00 PM)  
December 8, 2022**

**Regular Meeting:** The Town of Vernon Council meeting at the Vernon Gym, 29 Washington Street, Vernon, Indiana 47282, was called to order by Dan Wright at 7:00 PM.

Town Officials and employees present:

**I. Call to Order – All Members Present**

Dan Wright – Mayor  
Eric Genda – Council Ward 1  
Jeff Walker – Council Ward 2  
Amber Fields – Clerk/Treasurer  
Ron Hendershot – Maintenance/Works Manager  
Britt Burgmeier – Town Marshall  
Aaron Poole – VVFD Fire Chief

**II. Approval of November 10, 2022, minutes**

Dan asked if there were any comments or corrections to the November 10, 2022, Council minutes and recommended approval.  
Jeff Walker made a motion to approve the November 10, 2022, minutes. Eric Genda made the second.  
2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

**III. Petitions or comments by the members of the public present:**

Dan asked anyone from the public wishing to make a comment to sign in and let the Council know what they wished to comment on.

**No Public Comments**

**IV. Reports from Committees and Officers**

**1. Town Mayor – Dan Wright**

**No Comments**

**2. Ward 1 Council – Eric Genda**

- a. Eric said that the Gym oversight looked good. Gym rents have been picking up.
- b. Eric mentioned that the Town mower had still not been repaired.

### 3. Ward 2 Council – Jeff Walker

#### a. Financial Oversight

Jeff said that the Financial Oversight looked good and nothing new to report.

#### b. Review Town of Vernon Ordinances

Jeff had the following to say about the following Town Ordinances:

#73 to be repealed

#108 - Expired

Jeff plans to bring **Parking and traffic flow ordinances** to the January meeting.

Brad said that any ordinances with parking fines would have to be published in the newspaper and filed in superior court. Jeff and Brad decided to meet and discuss the situation.

Eric Genda made the motions to repeal and post as expired the above Town Ordinances. Jeff Walker Made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

#### a. Jeff brought a **Broadband Ready Community Ordinance** and Brad said that it was a “Boiler Plate” Ordinance and could be used for the Town. Dan requested that a motion be made to propose the Broadband Ordinance by Title only as a first reading. Jeff Walker made a motion for the First reading of a Broadband Ready Community Ordinance. Eric Genda made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

### 4. Clerk Treasurer – Amber Fields – Nothing to Report

### 5. Town Legal Counsel – Brad Kage

a. Brad said that Amber was going to send some Water/Sewer Accounts to him for collections.

b. Brad also said that he would prepare the 2023 Fire Agreement for the January meeting.

### 6. Town Marshall – Britt Burgmeier

a. The only incident Britt discussed was the Automatic weapon firing on Gaines Street two weeks before.

### 7. VVFD Fire Chief – Aaron Poole

a. Aaron said that the VVFD Firehouse would be collecting donations on Friday night.

### 8. Town Public Works Manager – Ron Hendershot

a. Ron said that the Ripley Street Lift station had not been working properly but he thought it was now fixed.

b. Ron is now working for Dupont Water and went to a class recommending that communities work together. He is learning the “Badger Meter” system in

Dupont and thought maybe Vernon could do the same. Eric asked for a presentation from the Badger System Representative.

V. **Unfinished Business**

- a. **2023 Salary Ordinance** – Eric Genda made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the first reading of the 2023 Salary Ordinance by Title only. Jeff Walker made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

Eric Genda made a motion to pass **Ordinance 179 (2023 Salary Ordinance)**. Jeff Walker made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

- b. Eric Genda made a motion to accept the **2023 Independent Contractor Agreement** Eric Genda made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

VI. **New Business**

- a. Jeff Walker made a motion to accept **Shelly Davers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Council's resignation**. Eric Genda made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes

VII. **Claims**

a. **Claims**

Jeff Walker made a motion to approve the **November 2022 claims**. Eric Genda made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No Votes

- b. The Clerk Treasurer provided a **Fund Report** for the month of November 2022.


VIII. **Miscellaneous Business**

- IX. Eric Genda made the motion to Adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM. Jeff Walker made the second.

2 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

**Next Regular Meeting:** The next Regular Vernon Town Council Meeting will be Thursday, January 12, 2023, at the Vernon Gym, 29 Washington Street, Vernon, Indiana 47282. The Regular meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

Vernon Town Council


  
Eric Genda, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward

  
Jeff Walker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward

VACANT  
~~Shelly Davers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward~~

Town of Vernon

  
Dan Wright, Mayor

  
Amber Fields, Clerk Treasurer