

**Town of Vernon  
Vernon Gym  
Regular Meeting (7:00 PM)  
October 13, 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  
Shelly Davers – Council Ward 3  
Amber Fields – Clerk/Treasurer  
Ron Hendershot – Maintenance/Works Manager  
Britt Burgmeier – Town Marshall  
Aaron Poole – VVFD Fire Chief

**II. Approval of September 8, 2022, minutes**

Dan asked if there were any comments or corrections to the September 8, 2022, Council minutes and recommended approval.

Jeff Walker made a motion to approve the September 8, 2022, minutes. Eric Genda made the second.

Two Yes votes, 0 No votes, 1 Abstention (Davers)

**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.

**Damon Davers** asked what the Council felt about a 32' x 32' sign requested by the new AirBNB cabin to the BZA Board. Dan said that Ron was currently the Town's representative on the BZA Board. Ron said that they would need a variance for any kind of sign.

**John Post** asked if there was a current "Burn Ban" in the County. Britt said there was a "Red Flag" Notice but thought a Burn Ban would be in place soon.

#### IV. Reports from Committees and Officers

##### 1. Town Mayor – Dan Wright

- a. Dan said that he met with State Legislators and that they could soon be passing a funding stream with a match to address the Lead situation, in anticipation of problems. This funding will fall in line with the Infrastructure bill and the ARP money.
- b. Dan also said that the CCMG money should be coming out soon and the section of road between the Tunnel and Brown Street, on Pike Street should be addressed next.

##### 2. Ward 1 Council – Eric Genda

- a. Eric said that the Gym oversight looked good. Gym rents have been slow but are starting to pick up.

##### 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 said that he was still reviewing the Traffic related ordinances. He will be bringing Ordinances 12, 13, 14 and 19 to the next meeting. Ordinance 14 is on licensing fees on billiards for profit to the next meeting. Ordinance 13 is in regards to charging for unwholesome food. The JC Health Department currently covers that area. Ordinance 19 refers to building permit fees which is currently covered by the APC. Dan asked about a Broadband Ordinance.

##### 4. Ward 3 Council – Shelly Davers

- a. Shelly made a motion to have Brad draw up a Contract in coordination with the Council and Ron Hendershot regarding his duties with the Town. Jeff Walker made the second.  
3 Yes votes, 0 No votes
- b. Shelly made a motion to hold another Executive session at 6:00 PM on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November. Jeff Walker made the second  
3 Yes votes, 0 No votes

##### 5. Clerk Treasurer – Amber Fields

- a. Amber requested that the Council Adopt the 2023 Budget as presented at the Budget Hearing on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September 2022. Shelly Davers made a motion to Adopt the 2023 Budget as presented at the Budget Hearing, Jeff Walker made the second.  
3 Yes votes, 0 No votes

- b. Amber asked Britt what the “High Speed Chase” was about going through Vernon 2 times at an extremely high rate of speed. Britt said it was in pursuit of a drug dealer that was not captured.

**6. Town Legal Counsel – Brad Kage**

**7. Town Marshall – Britt Burgmeier**

- a. Britt said that the vandals who marked up the shelter house had been identified. He asked if the Town wished to press charges. The Council agreed that charges should be pursued.

**8. VVFD Fire Chief – Aaron Poole**

**9. Town Public Works Manager – Ron Hendershot**

- a. Ron asked the Council to consider an ordinance to address the damage to the Indian Hills Lift Stations.

**V. Unfinished Business**

**VI. New Business**

**VII. Claims**

**a. Claims**

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

Three Yes votes, 0 No Votes

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

**VIII. Miscellaneous Business**

- a. Dan said that he would ask Brad Barber to run water from the Water Tower to sprinklers to water the new soccer field.
- b. Dan also gave a “Shout Out” to Deb Martin for cleaning up the Kiosk areas.
- c. Dan suggested that possibly a sign that reads, “No Trucks through Town except local Deliveries” be put up.

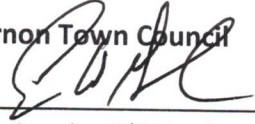
**IX. Shelly Davers made the motion to Adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Jeff Walker made the second.**

3 Yes votes, 0 No votes.

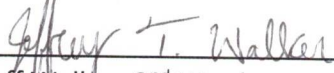
**Next Executive Session:** The next Vernon Town Executive Session will be Thursday, November 10, 2022, at the Vernon Gym, 29 Washington Street, Vernon, Indiana 47282, at 6:00 PM.

**Next Regular Meeting:** The next Regular Vernon Town Council Meeting will be Thursday, November 10, 2022, at the Vernon Gym, 29 Washington Street, Vernon, Indiana 47282. The Regular meeting will begin at 7:00 PM.

**Vernon Town Council**

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

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

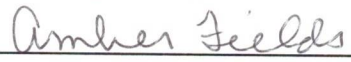
  
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Shelly Davers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward

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Dan Wright, Mayor

  
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Amber Fields, Clerk Treasurer