Roanoke Town Council Meeting Minutes

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the Roanoke Town Council convened on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. in accordance with Council's rules, appropriate notices, and applicable laws. Those present from the Council were, President Amanda Sands, Councilman Brian Humphries, Councilwoman Tinisha Weigelt and Councilwoman Terri Edmiston. Vice President Nick Scheer was absent. Also present were Town Marshal Jim Wood, Deputy Marshal Grant Baumgartner, Superintendent Aaron Popplewell and Clerk Treasurer Sarah Milton.

Councilman Humphries moved to approve the October 7, 2025, Council meeting minutes as written, Councilwoman Edmiston seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Baker Tilly's Kimberlee Savick presented a draft of Ordinance 2025-07 Wastewater Rates showing an increase of wastewater rates of 34%. Ms. Savick also reviewed the wastewater rate study presented at the October 7, 2025 Council meeting as well as a graph used to show comparison wastewater rates with similar communities. A few residents shared their concerns and asked questions regarding the potential increase. The Public Hearing for Ordinance 2025-07 will take place at the Council meeting on December 2, 2025.

Bakey Tilly's Amber Nielsen presented a quote for a new 5-year Comprehensive Financial Plan. After explaining examples of services that Baker Tilly offers, she gave three options; Option 1: Town Wide Impact Update, including utility funds and two versions (spring/fall) for \$2,800/mo, Option 2: Town Wide Impact Update, no including utility funds and two versions (spring/fall) for \$2,000/mo and Option 3: Town Wide Impact Update, including utility funds with one version (spring) for \$2,300.00/mo. Councilwoman Weigelt stated with the passage of SEA 1, it would be beneficial to know what the Town's funds would look like in the future. Council's consensus was to table it for this meeting.

USI Consultants' representative, Beth Johnson, presented the HSIP Contracts for the sign replacement and pedestrian improvements as it relates to construction inspections. Councilwoman Weigelt motioned to approve the 90/10 HSIP Contract for the sign replacement as it relates to construction inspections, President Sands seconded and the motion passed unanimously. President Sands motioned to approve the 90/10 HSIP contract for the pedestrian improvements as it relates to construction inspections, Councilwoman Weigelt seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Beautification Foundation member, John Nelson, requested permission to remove all trees on Main Street downtown, as they are dead. He stated the stumps would be left but leveled off and covered. Council's consensus was that this was acceptable.

Resident Jim Geissler asked for the speed limit to be lowered in downtown Roanoke. President Sands stated that before that could be done, Council would have a speed limit study done.

Roanoke Chamber member, Tammy Baumgartner, presented the Special Event Application for Christmas in the Village which would take place, Friday December 5, 2025. After there were no questions, Councilwoman Weigelt motioned to approve the Special Event Application for Christmas in the Village, President Sands seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Park Board President, Dave Meitzler, requested to spend an additional \$811.44 out of the park budget for the light poles in the park. President Sands approved the additional funds of \$811.44, Councilman Humphries seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Park President Meitzler stated that the next Park Board meeting would take place at Town Hall on Tuesday, November 11, 2025, at 6:30pm. The board will be discussing projects for 2026 including the \$10,000.00 donation towards a new Roanoke Park sign and \$32,500.00 grant received to go toward pickleball courts.

President Sands revisited information given previously regarding the order dated July 17, 2025 from the Huntington County Drainage Board to remove or raise the concrete bridge at the park stating that the Town's Attorney had filed an appeal. Clerk-Treasurer Milton gave an update stating that the order that the bridge had to be removed or raised had been jointly dismissed on October 22, 2025.

Superintendent of Operations Popplewell stated that he traveled to Indianapolis on Monday with SME Consultants to meet with IDEM regarding Lagoon #2. The reason for the meeting is to come up with ways to reduce the cost of closing the lagoon. Additional samples will be taken to check for hazardous material in the construction debris. Superintendent Popplewell also stated that Lochmueller Group Inc has completed 60% for the plans for the wastewater treatment plant but are waiting on more concrete numbers before presenting the cost estimate to Council.

Councilwoman Weigelt presented the TIF Annual Spending Plan for 2026 in the amount of \$500,000.00 that Roanoke Redevelopment Commission had approved. Councilwoman Weigelt made a motion to approve the TIF Annual Spending Plan for 2026 for \$500,000.00, Councilwoman Edmiston seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

President Sands requested approval to sign the letter to Parkview Huntington regarding the EMS contract from 2010 which states that the Council would like to make changes to the contract. Council is required to give 180 days' notice to make any changes to the contract. Councilman Humphries made a motion to approve President Sands to sign letter to Parkview Huntington, Councilwoman Weigelt seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Last on the agenda was the presentation of bills for payment. President Sands made a motion to pay the bills as listed on the allowance of claims payable

voucher of \$316,769.06 and utility adjustments of (\$62.19), Councilwoman Weigelt seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

President Sands moved to adjourn the meeting, Councilwoman Weigelt seconded, and the motion was duly adopted.

Note: These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Town of Roanoke Council meeting. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at https://www.youtube.com/@TownofRoanoke for as long as this media is supported.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – NOVEMBER 19, 2025 TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ROANOKE, INDIANA

The Town Council of the Town of Roanoke, Indiana, as authorized by applicable statute, specifically Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1, met in executive session in the in the Town Hall Building, 141 W. Third Street, Roanoke, Indiana 46783 on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, for the following statutorily authorized purpose: to discuss employee specific compensation or employment matters of individual employees (excluding general discussion of employee compensation during a budget process) and employee handbook changes.

The meeting began at 6:00p.m. and ended at 8:00p.m. It is certified that no subject matter was discussed other than those specifically allowed and referenced above.

APPROVED:

Mandy Sands (President)

ATTEST:

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