

TOWN OF SHADELAND
Town Council Meeting Agenda
(subject to change)
Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Citizen comments will be heard at item 11. Please hold your comments until that time. Comments are limited to 2 minutes each

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. 2024 Additional Appropriations Public Hearing
 - a. Ordinance 2024-07
4. Approval of the October 8, 2024 meeting minutes
5. Financial Report – Charlene Brown
 - a. Claims totaling: \$
 - b. October 2024 Financials
 - c. 2025 Salary Ordinance
 - d. 2024 Rainy Day transfer
 - e. Recording of meetings – July 2025
6. Ken Smith – Project Manager
 - a. Building Demo / CDBG Grant
 - b. Salt Barn
 - c. CCMG Update
7. Road report –Tom Younkin & David Downey
8. Park Report – Dave Vanderkleed & Josh Shives
 - a. WiFi & Security Cameras at the park
 - b. Complaints of activity at park at night
 - c. Fishing license required for pond
9. Planning report – Tim Balensiefer
10. Fire report – Allen Bol & David Downey
 - a. Fire Chief appointment
11. Citizen Comments
12. Council / Clerk / Attorney comments
13. Adjourn

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Council members present: Michael Kuipers, Josh Shives, Bob Morrison, David Downey, Dave Vanderkleed, Stu Weliever, Town Attorney and Charlene Brown, Clerk-Treasurer. Absent Tim Balensiefer.

The meeting was called to order by Mike Kuipers at 7:02 PM at the Shadeland Town Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Josh.

Mike opened the floor for public comment on the first Basham parcelization request. This is the South West portion of the estate. Bob gave a brief description of the parcelization. David Percefull of 1331 W 500 S expressed his displeasure at more homes going into the area as it was starting to look unpleasant in appearance and he also did not like the new lights that were shining right at his house. Ty Vanderkolk was present to answer questions. A discussion about homes further down CR 500 S outside of Shadeland's boundaries ensued, but that is outside of our jurisdiction. There were no further public comments. The floor was closed. Bob made the motion to approve this parcelization, Josh seconded it, all in favor.

Mike opened the floor for public comment on the second Basham parcelization request. This is the North East portion of the estate. Bob gave a brief description of the parcelization. There were no public comments. The floor was closed. Bob made the motion to approve this parcelization, Josh seconded it, all in favor.

Mike opened the floor for public comment on additional appropriations for the 2024 budget. Char gave a brief description on what the appropriations were for. There were no public comments. The floor was closed. David D. made the motion to approve Ordinance 2024-07 Additional Appropriations, Dave V. seconded it, all in favor.

Josh made the motion to approve the October 8, 2024 minutes, Bob second, all in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

Char presented the claims for approval. Josh made the motion to approve claims at \$236,801.79, Dave V. seconded, all in favor.

Bob reviewed records this month. No one had questions. David D made the motion, Dave V seconded, all in favor to approve the October 2024 financials.

Char bought up the 2025 Salary Ordinance, David D wanted to table the discussion Char reminded him it had to be done before December's meeting. Mike suggested a 5% increase across the board as we have not had an across the board raise in a while. David D did not feel as though a 5% increase was in the public's best interest. Josh indicated that inflation was over 22% in the last couple of years. David D made a motion for a 2% increase, motion failed do to

lack of second. Josh made the motion for 5% increase across the board, Bob seconded, Bob, Josh and Dave V voted in favor, David D opposed. Motion carried.

Char presented Resolution 2024-09 Rainy Day Transfer. Bob made the motion to approve Resolution 2024-09, Dave V seconded, all in favor.

Char reminded everyone of the requirement to live stream and record town meetings as of July 1, 2025. Stu mentioned that it is for all departments, but will verify for the Fire Department it does not need to be interactive. Char will make phone calls around the area to get some quotes to outsource.

Project Manager (Ken Smith)

Ken gave an update on the new salt barn and excavation has begun and should be pouring concrete in the next couple of weeks.

Ken gave an update on the CDBG Grant. There will be a public hearing at the December meeting. Applications are due December 20, 2024. He and Amy our grant administrator is working on getting us more points this round.

Ken also gave a Community Crossings update. The project is ongoing with not much to report except difficulties with one resident that Ken is working with to resolve.

Ken has arranged for furnace service for the new building tomorrow. He is also investigating the humidity issue.

Highway Department

Tom gave the roads report. They have been trimming around signs. Some signs are higher or lower than regulation and they are working on fixing those. Tom also brought in the salt spreader to Rowe's for service.

David D presented the snow contract. It has not been signed by Fox yet, but we anticipate Mr. Fox's approval any day. David D gave a brief overview of the contract. There are a few things he would rather not have to pay for such as washing their trucks after a snow event, however overall, it is a good contract. David D made the motion to approve the contract after highway department final review, Josh seconded, all in favor.

Park Committee

Dave V gave the park report. A near by neighbor at the park is complaining about cars being there at all hours of the night and other suspicious behavior beyond official park hours. The committee will investigate putting up more lights. Mr. Molter is anxious to see the pond completed and wants to know what remains for completion, the park committee will come up with a plan for that as well. The committee is also working on ring buoys. The batting cages are underway.

Dave V also indicated a fishing license is required to fish in the pond.

Planning Report

Tim was absent and there was not a meeting last month. Char received an email from Tim indicating there was nothing to report regarding MS4 except that the county would meet again in January to discuss fees for members, etc.

Fire report – David D and Allen Bol

Allen gave the fire report. They have one new member. Nominations were made for officers and will be voted on in December. Allen asked for clarification about the live streaming of meetings. The attorney's gut feeling is it is mandatory for the fire department business meeting but will investigate it further.

Allen Bol has submitted an application for Fire Chief. No other applications were received. David D made a motion to appoint Allen Bol as the 2025 Fire Chief, Dave V seconded, all in favor.

Citizen Comments:

Council / Clerk / Attorney comments

David D would like to have one of the porta pots removed from the park, Mike has indicated he has already done that.

David D also asked about the outlets in the floor in the community room. He thought they were supposed to be flush with the floor. Ken is going to look into that and see what is in the specifications and see who is responsible for fixing that issue. If it is not flush in the specifications Bob made the motion to have the Town fix the issue, David D seconded, all-in favor.


Josh brought up a proposal for a super compact subdivision at the corner of CR 500 S and US 231. This subdivision would border Shadeland. Josh would like to speak at the public hearing on behalf of the Town Council and the Town of Shadeland in opposition to this classification of subdivision. Bob made the motion to let Josh speak on behalf of the Town Council and the Town of Shadeland in opposition to this super compact subdivision, Josh seconded, all in favor. Stu will also write a letter to the Tippecanoe County Area Plan Commission.

Char brought to the attention to the Council the letter from Pam regarding her resignation. It is up to the Republican Party to appoint somebody to fill her spot. If they do not appoint in the next 30 days then it is up to the Town Council. Char asked the Council to consider decreases the number of Council members to five. The Town can do that in a non-election year through an ordinance.

Char indicated that crafting day is the 16st of the November.

David D made the motion to adjourn, Dave V second, all in favor, to adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

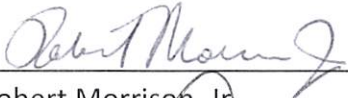
Approved:



Michael Kuipers



Tim Balensiefer



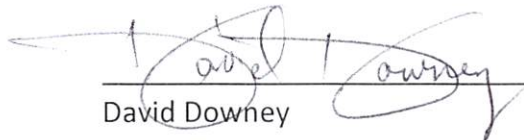
Robert Morrison, Jr.



David Vanderkleed



Joshua Shives



David Downey

Attest:



Charlene Brown, Clerk-Treasurer