

Topeka Town Council
124 E. Lake Street, Topeka, Indiana
General Meeting Minutes August 10, 2026 4:00pm
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Call to order by President, Adam Lambright

Roll Call

Present: Council Member, Adam Lambright, Ray Folk, Marlynn Mast, Steve Schrock, Justin Geigley.

Others in Attendance: Town Attorney Tony Manns, Stewart Bender Town Manager, Stan Strater Jr, Cyndi Sadewasser Deputy Clerk, Mark Webster, Ryan Chasey and Harold Gingerich, Maynard Graber,

Approval of Agenda as Presented with flexibility

Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes

Minutes from previous meeting of July 27, 2026, for Common Council Meeting

Motion to Approve: Justin Geigley Seconded: Steve Schrock Vote: All Ayes

Minutes from Town Staff Meeting of August 6th, 2026

Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Steve Schrock Vote: All Ayes

Lea Parks, Clerk-Treasurer

- Claims – Request Approval to Pay Claims
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes
- July 2026 Monthly Financials – Reviewed and Accepted
Motion to Approve: Justin Geigley Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote: All Ayes
- 131 N Harrison – Past Due Utility Bill - \$270.16 – Tabled looking into TRECS software and how the Town wants to proceed going forward
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes

Stewart Bender, Town Manager/Fire Chief

- Bike Trail – Conflict of Interest Form – Beers Mellers LLP Represents the Town of Topeka and LaGrange County
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes
- 213 N Harrison – Requesting Variance
Motion to Approve: Justin Geigley Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes

Town Marshal

- July Reports Turned In

- Letter of Resignation – Lane Norris – Request Accepting Letter – Also Thank you for time served
Motion to Approve: Justin Geigley Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes
- Vehicle issue of dropping off trash in the Recycling Bins

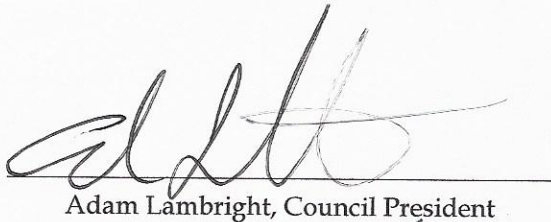
Town Attorney

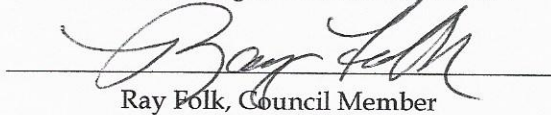
- Access to Public Records Act – Request to Accept Form
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote: All Ayes
- Town Parks – Organizers For Events at Town Parks allowed make conditions to the Rental Agreement with Town approval
- Review of Legal Invoice – Request to have after 2nd Staff Meeting of the Month with any 2 Council Members to Review Invoices
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes

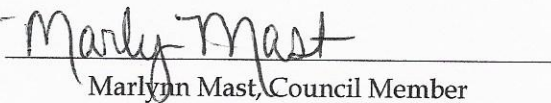
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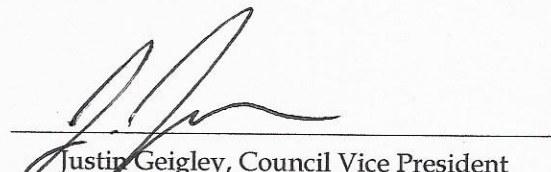
Adjournment

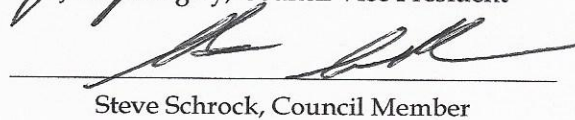
- Meeting Adjourned by President Adam Lambright at 4:27pm
Motion to Approve: Justin Geigley Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes
- Next General Council meeting August 24, 2026, at 4p.m

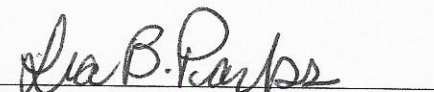

Adam Lambright, Council President


Ray Folk, Council Member


Marlynn Mast, Council Member


Justin Geigley, Council Vice President


Steve Schrock, Council Member

ATTEST 
Lea Parks, Clerk Treasurer