

July 14th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes, Town of Russell

- Chairman Kressel opened meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Notice of this meeting was posted in 1 public place and on website.
- Chairman Kressel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present- Robert, Amy, Sue, Lori, Marty called to say he'd be late-arrived at 6:17, Brian, 3 town residents
- The minutes from the June Town Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes approved with motion by Chairman Kressel. Second by Supervisor Studinski Motion carried.
- **Treasure Report** – Monthly financial reports handed out at the door.
- **Clerk** –
 - Voucher review; Lori asked what Oh Jay Services was for, clerk stated for porta-potty at park and the board may want to look at purchasing vs. renting next year. Motion to pay as presented by Chairman Kressel, Second by Supervisor Studinski. Motion carried to pay bills as presented.
 - Emergency Preparedness campaign being promoted by County. Handouts available at door. Clerk noted it is on town website as well.
 - Local WTA meeting held in Harrison on Thursday. Clerk needs to know if board members attending to properly post in compliance with open-meetings law. Robert plans to attend. Lori will not. No need to post.
 - Clerk noted Public Testing of Election equipment scheduled for 8/6/26 at 11 a.m.
- **Roads** –
 - Robert stated he has talked with company who did chip sealing last year. They are coming to fix. Not happy with what is happening.
 - Bridge update, Robert asked Lori if she had 20-ton signs needed to post. She will check on tomorrow.
 - Town of Summit chair sent text to Marty re: County Line Road and stated they put down 35 loads of gravel on County Line and 15 loads between J and 1st Ave. Chairman Kressel was not notified nor was this discussed with the Town of Russell and not approved by.
 - Resident concerned about the loose gravel being left on his road. Lori explained the purpose of carbide bits and that it needs to be worked but not being done. She stated she is working with Ronald on this.

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- **Parks-**

- Mary and Elise from Park Committee present and gave an update on what they have been working on.
- Another round of paint was put on the bathrooms at Echo. Noted the vent pipe is old and bent. Robert asked Brian to look at. Noted there is 12-18” hole on backside of bathrooms which is a hazard. Brian will look at. They would like approval for hand sanitizers to be put in bathroom. Lori said she will look into getting some and to hold off on purchasing.
- Rice Park is waiting for additional mulch. Due to delivery cost will have to wait until company is in the area for the small amount that is needed at our park.
- Fundraising goal finalized. Open House/Fundraiser kick-off scheduled for this Saturday from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. 17 Scoops will be present and is donating ice cream for the event. There will also be bubbles. They asked if there are any 8’ t-posts available for their sign, Lori and Robert said they may have and will look into. Benches should be set by the weekend. Marty donated straw for the grass seed that Brian planted. Robert thanked the Park Committee for their continued work on the parks. They will put information on their Facebook website.
- The requested dog-signs were inquired about. Lori stated she would check on.

- **Sanitary District-**

- Chairman Kressel had a FD meeting and was unable to attend Sanitary meeting.

- **Recycling –**

- Someone dumped their garbage in the ditches on Bachelors Ave. This cost the town over \$130 to clean up. It was televisions with the wiring removed and scrap. Brian cleaned up and had to take to the landfill.

- **Public Comment-**

- none

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m. Next meeting is Wednesday, August 12th due to election.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Brown, Clerk