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Council meetings
Second Tuesday monthly
at 7:30 p.m.
Town Hall
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Town Web site
www.rockyripple.com

Community Association
www.rockyripple.org

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STEP project on schedule

Septic Tank Elimination Project coming to Rocky Ripple in 2011

Mike Goodin, Environmental Health Specialist with the Marion County Health Department (MCHD) reported that the Septic Tank Elimination Project in Rocky Ripple is on schedule for bidding in 2011. Two public meetings will be held (dates unknown at this time). *NOT* *City officials* will review the neighborhood survey, provide general information, explain the timeline, outline financial assistance options, and answer questions. During the second meeting, which will be held two to three months following the first, *now report* engineers will be on hand to explain the technical details and answer questions. *that the STEP project*

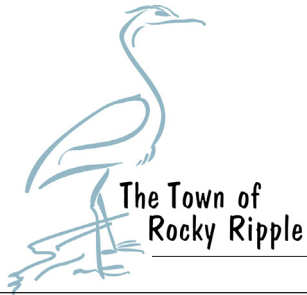
The job will be put out for bidding following the two meetings. Officials estimate that *won't start* connections can be made to the city's sewer system in early 2012, approximately eight months following acceptance of the bid. *until after 2014!*

The sewer connection fee is approximately \$2,500. The STEP Financial Assistance Plan is available to families earning less than \$45,553. Call (317) 327-8314 to request an application packet. Homeowners are required to hire a licensed contractor to install a lateral line connecting their home to the city's sewer line, up to \$2,500 per home—depending on the length of the lateral line placed between the home and street. No financial assistance is available from the city for the contractor's work.

The MCHD requires homeowners to connect to the new sewer system within six months of notice that the new sewers are ready for connection. Goodin urged residents to begin saving now for these expenses.

Wapahani Park site of new information kiosk

Thanks to aspiring Eagle Scout, Nick Wilson, Wapahani Park is the site of a new information kiosk. Hoosier Canoe Club and Friends of White River proposed construction of the kiosk as a way to distribute information about the river, such as safety tips and educational notices.



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Other updates around Rocky Ripple

2011 election: Candidates and voters needed

To be considered in the 2011 primary election, candidate filing for the two major political parties begins Wednesday January 19, 2011, and ends at noon Friday, February 18, 2011. Rocky Ripple does not hold staggered elections, therefore, all positions on the Town Council, including Clerk/Treasurer, are open every four years to candidates seeking election.

Residents not registered to vote in Rocky Ripple should do so by April 4, 2011, to vote in the May 3 primary election or October 11, 2011, to vote in the November 8 election. Visit <http://rockyripple.com/community-information/> for a link to the City's candidate and voter registration information.

Clerk/Treasurer report: town ends year financially stable

As of December 31, 2010, Clerk/Treasurer Cathy Hurt reported that the Town had \$76,089.61 total in checking and savings. Earlier in the year, the town sold the old police car for \$902. Those funds will be set aside toward the purchase of a new car in the future. Cathy is investigating financial instruments that will help safeguard the fund and earn a better return on it.

From Rocky Ripple's Town ordinances: reminders

2-1-1-Sec. 2: It shall be unlawful if any person shall exceed the posted Speed Limits as described in 2-1-1-1.

All speed limits are 25 miles-per-hour, with these exceptions:
51st Street from Lester Street to Clarendon Road, 15 MPH
Lester Street from 52nd Street to 51st Street, 15 MPH
Clarendon Road from 52nd Street to 51st Street, 15 MPH
Canal Boulevard from Ripple Road to 53rd Street, 20 MPH

2-3-4-Sec. 1: It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to own, keep or harbor any animal which causes annoyance or disturbance to any person or persons upon a public street or highway or to the neighborhood within the corporate limits of the Town of Rocky Ripple.

2-3-4-Sec. 3: It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any domestic animal to run at large within the corporate limits of the Town of Rocky Ripple.

Statistics from the Town's Web site

WWW.rockyripple.com was viewed about 8,700 times in 2010.

In 2010, administrators wrote 19 new posts, growing the total archive of this blog to 20 posts.

The site's busiest day was March 22 with 162 views. The most popular post that day was "February & March minutes posted."

The top referring sites in 2010 were wikipedia.org, mail.yahoo.com, rockyripple.org, and Facebook.

Some visitors came searching, mostly for rocky ripple indianapolis, rocky ripple, rocky ripple indiana, rocky ripple town hall, and town of rocky ripple.

These posts and pages got the most views in 2010.

- 1 February & March minutes posted
- 2 About Rocky Ripple
- 3 Town Government Information
- 4 Meeting Minutes and Budget
- 5 Law Enforcement