



# Town Council/Community Association Rocky Ripple E-News

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## TOWN CALENDAR

### Tues., May 16th

#### Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting

7:30 pm Town Hall  
RRCA Elections will be held and bylaws voted upon for update.

### Thur., Jun 1st

#### RREM/CERT Meeting (emergency management/ rescue response team)

7:00 pm Town Hall

### Sat., Jun. 3rd

#### Townwide Garage Sale

All households are invited to participate. RRCA will place newspaper ad. Published hours for sales: 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

### Tues., Jun. 6th

#### River Levee Floodwall Renderings Presentation

Join the town council and City of Indy to view drawings of the various river floodwall options for Rocky Ripple and voice your opinion as to which option you think our town should pursue.

7:00 pm Meridian Street United Methodist Church, 5500 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis

### Tues., Jun. 13th

#### Rocky Ripple Town Board Meeting

7:30 pm Town Hall

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## Rocky Ripple Town Council Updates/ Flood Protection Status - Special Meeting Scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup> to View Options

### *Reiteration of Town Partnership with City and Butler for River Levee Repair*

The Rocky Ripple Town Council wishes to state once again that it, as well as the majority of citizens of Rocky Ripple, agree that rebuilding and improvement of our river levee must be first and foremost pursued for the protection of our homes and residents. The best path forward for this crucial flood protection of our town is the continued partnership with Butler University and the City of Indianapolis to pursue the local floodwall options outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the RR Town Council, Butler University, and the City of Indianapolis to provide flood protection for Rocky Ripple on 14-Mar-2017. Thus, the town council does not support pursuing a lawsuit to stop the Westfield Alignment, as this could further hinder progress on flood protection for Rocky Ripple, as well as the surrounding areas. The signed MOU can be viewed in its entirety on the town website ([www.rockyripple.com](http://www.rockyripple.com)).

The MOU provides that the City of Indianapolis will provide \$10 million in assistance over the next 4 years toward the upgrade of the levee. What exactly will be done will be decided upon by the Town Council after consultation with town residents. In addition, the MOU specifies that Butler University will financially contribute to the project if a FEMA certified levee is pursued.

Potential options for flood protection that need to be decided upon in order to move forward with the MOU agreement include construction of a FEMA certified 100-year flood wall, construction of a flood wall that is not certified, or improvements to the current levee without construction of a wall. Details on the options are provided in the AECOM report available on the town's website: <https://rockyripple.wordpress.com/community-information/flood-control-info/>.

**Tues., Jun. 20th**  
**Rocky Ripple Festival**  
**Committee Meeting**  
7:30 pm Town Hall

**Tues., July 11th**  
**Rocky Ripple Town Board**  
**Meeting**  
7:30 pm Town Hall

**Tues., July 18th**  
**Rocky Ripple Community**  
**Association Meeting**  
7:30 pm Town Hall

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[We're on Facebook](#)

### ***Special Meeting to Review Floodwall Renderings on June 6th***

The town council has also been working with the city to have renderings drawn up of what Rocky Ripple will look like, depending on the option pursued. These renderings will be shared at a special meeting on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 7 pm at Meridian Street United Methodist Church, 5500 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis.

At this meeting residents and other interested parties can view the renderings and ask questions about the various options. City of Indianapolis representatives will be available to answer questions.

An assessment survey for residents and home owners will be provided at the meeting and delivered to each residence for completion. The survey asks for the resident to provide his/her viewpoints on what should be done for flood protection. The Town Council will then work to ensure that a completed survey is obtained from each residence/home owner in Rocky Ripple. The completed surveys will be utilized by the Town Council to determine which option will be pursued for flood protection.

## **Annual Rocky Ripple Neighborhood Garage Sale**



### **Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

The annual Rocky Ripple Neighborhood Garage Sale event will be held Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> with posted times from 8 am to 1 pm. Everyone is welcome to participate. You can either have your own sale or if you don't feel like having a sale yourself and want to get rid of stuff, while helping your community, you can donate it to the community association. We will then sell it and use the proceeds for neighborhood initiatives, such as park maintenance and funding of events like the Easter Egg Hunt and Cake Walk.

The community association sale will occur at 5205 Byram. Drop off your donated items to Mandy Redmond at the 5205 Byram address any time between now and Sat. June 3<sup>rd</sup> or call/text Mandy at 317-319-7865 to arrange a pick up.

If you don't participate by selling, by all means, get out and visit with the neighbors having sales. You never know what treasures they may be selling that you might need.

Ads will be placed in local newspaper and social media. If you choose to participate, consider making a small donation to the community association to cover the advertising costs. Contact any RRCA officer to do so.

## **Rocky Ripple Community Association Board Elections on May 16th; Secretary and Treasurer Offices to be Voted Upon**

The Rocky Ripple Community Association (RRCA) annual elections will be held at the May Community Association meeting on Tuesday May 16th. RRCA terms of office for the association's board of directors are staggered three year terms. The offices that will be elected this year are Secretary and Treasurer.

# Rocky Ripple Community Association

## Officers:

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## RRCA Newsletter:

*The Rocky Ripple ENews newsletter is published jointly by the Rocky Ripple Community Association, a not for profit 501 (c) (3) organization, which exists to provide social, cultural, recreational and educational services to the town of Rocky Ripple and its residents, and the Town Council of Rocky Ripple.*

Editor: Mandy Redmond

Any member of the community can run for RRCA office. However, to vote for RRCA board member candidates, you must be a member of the community association. To be a member, you must have attended at least one community association meeting during the past year.

The May RRCA meeting is also the time when current association bylaws will be reviewed and changed, as voted upon by the officers. Suggested changes to the bylaws must be submitted in writing for review 30 days in advance of the meeting to the secretary of the association. To review the Rocky Ripple Community Association Bylaws, go to [http://www.rockyripple.org/uploads/RRCA\\_Bylaws.pdf](http://www.rockyripple.org/uploads/RRCA_Bylaws.pdf) or contact secretary, Alex Redmond, at 317-340-5700.

## Don't forget....RRCA is not the same as the Town Council

The community association should not be confused with the Rocky Ripple Town Council, which is comprised of Rocky Ripple's elected representatives.

The Rocky Ripple Community Association is a separate organization whose mission is to provide social, cultural, recreational, and educational services to the Town of Rocky Ripple and its residents, and in so doing strengthen the bonds of civic unity and provide for the common welfare of all residents.

The RRCA has been in existence since November 12, 1948 when the Ladies Auxiliary of the Rocky Ripple Volunteer Fire Department was formed. Through the next four decades, the Ladies Auxiliary raised money to fund the volunteer fire department as well as provide social events for the residents of Rocky Ripple.

With the dissolution of the Volunteer Fire Department in 1989, the Ladies Auxiliary adopted new bylaws on February 6, 1990 and renamed the organization the Rocky Ripple Community Association. In March of 1998, the Community Association incorporated and became a Not For Profit organization in order to apply for grants, increase revenues and thus be able to provide additional support to our community.



## 2017 Rocky Ripple Festival to Be Held on Sat. September 23, 2017

### 2017 Rocky Ripple Festival – call for volunteers

Contact Festival Coordinator Dhyana Raynor at [dhyanar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dhyanar@sbcglobal.net) or 317-414-5018 with ideas for the festival and/or to find out how you can assist with this year's Rocky Ripple Festival. Find out more about the festival at: <http://www.rockyripple.org/rocky-ripple-festival.html>

# 2017 ROCKY RIPPLE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Event	Date/Time	Location
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 05-Jan-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 10-Jan-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 02-Feb-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 14-Feb-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting	Tues. 21-Feb-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 02-Mar-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 14-Mar-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting	Tues. 21-Mar-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 06-Apr-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 11-Apr-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Easter Egg Hunt/Cake Walk	Sat. 15-Apr-2017 12 – 2 pm	Meet at Town Hall at noon
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 04-May-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Plant Exchange	Sat. 06-May-2017 2 – 4 pm	Hohlt Park Community Garden
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 09-May-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting – RRCA Elections (Secretary)	Tues. 16-May-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 01-Jun-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Townwide Garage Sale	Sat. 03-Jun-2016 8 am – 1 pm	Various
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 13-Jun-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Festival Committee Meeting	Tues. 20-Jun-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 06-Jul-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 11-Jul-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting	Tues. 18-Jul-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 03-Aug-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 08-Aug-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Festival Committee Meeting	Tues. 15-Aug-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 07-Sep-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 13-Sep-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting	Tues. 19-Sep-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Festival	Sat. 23-Sep-2017 11 am – 6 pm	Hohlt Park
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 05-Oct-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 10-Oct-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting	Tues. 17-Oct-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 02-Nov-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 14-Nov-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Community Association Meeting	Tues. 21-Nov-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall
Holiday Bazaar	Sat. 02-Dec-2017	Town Hall
RREM/CERT Meeting	Thur. 07-Dec-2017 7:00 pm	Town Hall
Rocky Ripple Town Council Meeting	Tues. 12-Dec-2017 7:30 pm	Town Hall



## Recycling Reminder

Don't forget to recycle your newspapers, magazines and other paper at the Abitibi newspaper recycling bin located next to the Town Hall garage. Proceeds from the recycling effort go to offset the cost of the Port-o-Let in Hohlt Park. The more paper we recycle in the bin, the more money that goes to this effort.

[Click here](#) to find out more about the program and what types of paper can be placed in the container.

## Not Receiving Email Notification of the Rocky Ripple E-News?

If you or someone you know wants to be added to the Rocky Ripple E-News distribution list, please send or have them send an email to [rcomassoc@aol.com](mailto:rcomassoc@aol.com) and request being added to the RRCA E-News distribution list. We promise not to use your email addresses for purposes other than communicating information regarding our community and will not share the email distribution list with others. Let us know of any suggestions you may have for things you would like to have included. Contact the RRCA newsletter editor at [rcomassoc@aol.com](mailto:rcomassoc@aol.com).