

October 15, 2020

On October 15, 2020, the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting. All council members were present. The pledge of allegiance was recited and the minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Jamie Vest, Assistant fire chief for the VVFD reported 93 calls since the last update, and 494 calls for the year so far. The department was unable to do in person fire safety training at the school, but materials and information were sent. The training tower has been painted, and the storage building is complete.

Roger Kavanaugh from the Versailles American Legion asked the council what the plan was for Halloween. Roger has spoken with the local health department about their guidelines. Roger recommended extending Trick or Treat from 4-7 pm on the 31<sup>st</sup> in hopes of spreading the kids out more. All council members agreed that while they struggled with the decision, Trick or Treat would be permitted, but pending rising cases, it could be cancelled at the last minute. An ad will run in the paper asking all participants to follow CDC guidelines, and it was suggested that homeowners put tables at the end of their driveway to avoid face to face contact.

Paul Eder from O'mara gave an update on the Mainstreet resurfacing project. The project is complete except for striping, which will be done soon. The parking lot at the sports complex has also been paved. A change order was presented to reflect the addition of the decorative sidewalks.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported two surface leaks. Kevin will meet with REMC at the park tomorrow to set a meter base. The new dump truck is scheduled to arrive at the end of the month. The skid steer will be ordered soon as well. A retaining wall on Tanglewood road needs replaced at an approximate cost of \$7,500. Two loads of sand were delivered to the complex to straighten up the tball field. The street department has started limb pick up.

The 2021 budget was approved.

Attorney Lynn Flederman gave an update on communication with the DNR. Lynn has reviewed the contract with the DNR and there is a provision that allows the rate to be raised if it is deemed necessary. Dean will need to do a rate study to justify the rate increase. Lynn has asked that Dean Rogers be present at the next meeting to present the bond anticipation note information for the Benham Road project. Lynn also gave an update on the ordinance violation process. Junk cars have been added to the nuisance violations list. In the future, Marshal Mann will issue a notice to correct giving the property owner a certain amount of time to rectify the violation. If it is not fixed, then the case will proceed to court. Lynn suggested that the council could pass this procedure under suspension of the rules. The council agreed unanimously to approve ordinance # 18-22 on the first and second reading to include junk cars in the ordinance. Lynn discussed the tax liens on the tan & tone property. The ADA transition plan was passed unanimously. The ADA transition plan and the title 6 implementation plan were adopted, and the non-discrimination plan was signed.

The council discussed adding a gate at the complex. The quote for the gate is \$19,650. The RSRF granted the town \$16,000, the remainder would be the town's match. The fitting in the women's restroom at the town hall was improperly installed. Lefco, the company that did the original work will be responsible for repairing the restroom. The council discussed possibly getting new Christmas decorations next year. The street department new hire job description was presented and passed 3-0. Kevin suggested adding a security light at the complex by the playground, or by the walking trail where the soccer field starts. The council agreed to further discuss adding the light.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

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