

September 12, 2023

On September 12, 2023, the Versailles town council met for their regular monthly meeting. All council members and attorney Lynn Fledderman were in attendance. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Paul Sipples was in attendance representing the Versailles Lions Club to discuss the Pumpkin Show. Council unanimously approved use of the courthouse square. Set up to begin October 24th. He was advised to collaborate with Randall for any needs they may have.

Lindsay Elston with Child Evangelism Fellowship was in attendance to request permission to host a 5k and close some streets for the event. This event would overlap the Ripley County Health Department Awareness walk. Council asked that they come up with a solution. The 5k was tabled until a solution is found.

The Ripley County Health Department was present to discuss their Awareness Walk. It will be held October 28th at 9:00 am. The courthouse square will be closed for the duration of the event. Randall will help with barricades.

Department reports were received prior to the meeting and were read and reviewed by council. Items on the consent agenda were accepted.

The updated Community Center Ordinance was read for a second time and passed unanimously. The rental agreement for the community center was also approved unanimously. It was also suggested that a reservation policy for the pavilion should be written. Lynn will draft one before the next meeting.

Solar Farm buffer zones were discussed. Council agreed to consult Jeff French on suggestions for what to include in the letter.

Drainage issues between Main Street and Highway 129 were discussed. Lynn sent a letter to the homeowner.

The 2024 Budget was approved unanimously. Council has voted and agree to eliminate the 5th Public Works job position.

Personnel Policy updates were discussed. Lynn will revise policy based on discussions to be reviewed at next meeting.

Council discussed a pay increase for utility workers who obtain their water or wastewater license. This will be determined at a future meeting and added to the salary ordinance for 2024.

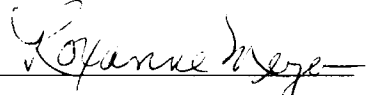
Holly requested a solution for food trucks to hook up to electricity instead of using generators. Randal will get a cost estimate for an extension cord that can reach the back of town hall.

Further groundwater testing needs to be completed at the raider gas demolition site. Council approved moving ahead with testing.

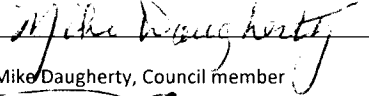
With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Attest: 

Sarah Bauman, Clerk-Treasurer



Roxanne Meyer, Council President



Mike Daugherty, Council member



Josh Combs, Council member