

March 13, 2014

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on March 13, 2014. All council members and attorney Larry Eaton were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mary McCarty informed the council that the storm drain grant environmental review has started. She will speak with Midwest Engineering to see about any possible easements. Mary also updated the council on the façade improvement grant for Tyson Activity Center. Since the grant will be processed through the town, resolutions will need to be passed for the local match fund, and to declare Tyson Auditorium a blighted building. Resolution 2014-01 approving the local match fund and Resolution 2014-02 declaring Tyson Auditorium a blighted building were passed unanimously. Council president Sue Meisberger signed all necessary paperwork.

Fire chief Ben Sieverding reported 76 calls since the January meeting. The fire department has applied for a grant to replace one of the fire engines, and the process is still ongoing.

Matt McNew spoke on behalf of the Versailles Sports Complex Board. An ad was placed in the paper for a supervisor for the 2014 summer baseball/softball programs. No interest has been shown so far. Matt would also like to place an ad for one vacant spot on the board. Sign-up sheets have been distributed to local schools for the 2014 season. There will be two dates for open sign-ups at Tyson Auditorium, March 29 and April 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration is \$40 per child with an \$80 family maximum cost. The Co-op has sprayed and re-seeded the soccer fields in preparation for soccer season this fall.

Marshal Joe Mann informed the council that he has been rearranging the old firehouse so that renovations can begin. Marshal Mann also stressed that local ordinances will be enforced, and that a list of these ordinances can be found on the town website.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley would like to have more gravel hauled to the sports complex parking lot. Superintendent Hensley has been looking into the new manhole covers that Midwest Engineering suggested to help with the inflow and infiltration issues. The town will be responsible to cover the cost of three new taps and meters for the Sizemore property by the Y. The street sweeper will be coming in the next two weeks to clean the town streets. There is a streetlight on the square at 1<sup>st</sup> North and Main streets that the county commissioners would like removed. The council agreed that the light could be relocated at the expense of the county.

Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Libby presented paperwork for the Ripley County Community Foundation endowment fund. The council agreed to roll over the disbursement back into the fund.

Steve Mathes stated that he would be attending 4 hours of training at Mescatutuck for the Safe Route to Schools program. The Mainstreet committee will be meeting March 27 at 5 p.m. for anyone who is interested in joining or would like information on the program.

John Holzer presented a request from Tri Kappa to declare April the mission for challenge, adventure and education, Versailles Osgood Delta Rho awareness month. The council unanimously approved.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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Council President – Sue Meisberger

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Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

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Council Member – John Holzer

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Council Member – Steve Mathes