

February 12, 2015

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on February 12, 2015. All council members and attorney Larry Eaton were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Fire Chief Ben Sieverding reported 31 calls since the last meeting, including a trailer fire at Gaslight Village, and an assist in New Marion. The department has submitted a request for a grant for a new fire hose.

Judge Cheryl Richmond spoke with the council regarding the town court. Judge Richmond has spoken with Prosecutor Ric Hertel, and Sherriff Jeff Cumberworth and they would like for the court to remain open, but do not anticipate revenue increasing in the near future. Ric is aware that many town courts have closed recently in Indiana. Judge Richmond asked the council when they would decide on the court's future. The council will make a decision by June.

Marshal Joe Mann reported that the bed bug box is finished. He is preparing for spring clean-up around town, including animal complaints and ordinance violations.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported that the water lines to the state park are complete. Kevin has ordered two new manholes and 320 feet of pipe to repair the sewer on Jarvis Drive. Kevin discussed ways to save money on the storm drain project by doing some of the work himself.

The council agreed to sponsor one girl for the Legion Auxiliary girl's state convention. The cost of sponsorship is \$350.

Steve Mathes reported that the Main Street Committee has been incorporated, and they are pursuing a 501-C3. There will potentially be a farmer's market on the square in the future. The SRTS committee is applying for a DNR grant to partially fund the walking trail.

Attorney Eaton presented ordinances 2014-06, 2014-07, 2014-08, and 2014-09 for adoption. These ordinances pertain to annexation of the Lohrum, Begley, Sheets, and Baugh properties. All ordinances passed unanimously.

John Holzer stated that Amy Miller is interested in running the soccer program. The park board will be dissolved.

No one is opposed in the upcoming election; therefore Attorney Eaton recommended forgoing a primary election to save the town money. Larry will get a nepotism policy together for the council to sign.

Sue Meisberger had carpet world come and get measurements for flooring for the old firehouse.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

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Council President – Sue Meisberger

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

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Council Member – John Holzer

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Council Member – Steve Mathes