

August 13, 2015

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on August 13, 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.

Mary McCarty informed the council that the paperwork for the storm drain grant is due September 11. Mary would like to get the remaining income surveys in the next two weeks. Easements will also need to be signed before September 11. Mary recommended that the council consider adding a storm drainage assessment fee to the utility bills. She will draft a letter stating that the town is in the process of instituting the fee. The public hearing for the storm drain grant will be September 2.

Roxanne Meyer asked Kevin if he spoke with Duke regarding the streetlights for Harvest Ridge. Kevin said that the poles will be installed, with one pole being moved to provide lighting to a dead zone. The residents of Harvest Ridge will pay for one additional pole, and the developers will pay for a second pole. Mrs. Meyer thanked the council for their understanding.

Paul Sipples from the Versailles Lions Club requested permission from the town to hold the annual Pumpkin Show. Permission was granted.

Fire Chief Ben Sieverding reported 49 calls since the last meeting and 261 calls for the year so far. An agreement has been reached with the owners of the Marathon station. 6 monthly installments will be made, with the payments beginning in August.

Jerry and Janice Wilson were in attendance along with Katherine Taul to speak about the 2016 Indiana Bicentennial. The torch relay will be coming through Versailles on Saturday, September 17, 2016. Each town in the county is asked to hold a small event to draw people in. Citizens are asked to nominate people that have provided outstanding community service to be the torch bearer.

Marshal Joe Mann reported that drug take back day will be September 25. Marshal Mann will be in the CVS parking lot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to collect unused prescription medication. Marshal Mann informed the council that there is room at Pangburn Park for 3 lights, and he will get quotes for pole lights before the next meeting.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported that the large town was serviced in July, and all of the stop bars in town have been repainted. The street department will fertilize the baseball and soccer fields for fall.

Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Libby presented the RCED interlocal agreement which the council approved 3-0. The water and sewer rate increase ordinance was presented for the first reading. The 2016 budget was presented for public hearing.

Sue Meisberger had a request from Herman Stutler for a street light at Sunset Strip. Kevin will check on prices. John Holzer reported that a sign was given by an anonymous donor for the Emily Mathes Soccer field. Gilpin monument will place the sign free of charge.

Larry Eaton informed the council that the easements are coming along. Larry will request that Mike Bedel and Dave Benz turn over the deed for the old radio station property to the town so that it can be demolished. There is also a barn on Tanglewood road that sits on two separate properties that needs to be torn down.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Attest: _____
Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

Council President – Sue Meisberger

Council Member – John Holzer

Council Member – Steve Mathes