

March 8, 2016

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on March 8, 2016. All council members and attorney Larry Eaton were present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Tina Lynch and B.J. Sieverding from UCB were present to express interest in acquiring more of the town's business. They presented information on what UCB has to offer, and asked that in the future, they be considered for the town's banking needs.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported that the pump at the South Main lift station was out. The new tractor will be delivered at the end of the week. A leak was repaired at the Rescare home. Steve Mathes requested that Kevin get a second bid to repair the retaining wall on Perry Street. The council considered the lighting proposal from Duke Energy for South Ripley Estates. They agreed unanimously to accept Duke's proposal for placing five streetlights with the clarification that they are doing so to ensure the safety of the employees and the residents. Steve asked Kevin for prices on gravel for the sports complex parking lot. The gravel is approximately \$100 per load, and the total cost for the parking lot would be \$1,500-\$2,000. Kevin informed the council that currently, it costs \$500 to replace a damaged stop sign. He suggested raising the cost to \$750 if an individual damages a sign. The council agreed unanimously to purchase the camera for the sewer system on a three year payment plan.

Marshal Joe Mann contacted two contractors for bids to repair the damage at the sports complex. He received one bid for \$850. Brian Samples commented that the roofs on the dugouts would probably always be prone to lifting, as there is no good way to fasten them permanently. Steve suggested removing the roof that is badly damaged, and reinforcing the others. Joe also had two bids for renovating his office. Sutton Construction was awarded the bid for \$2,390. The police academy has asked Marshal Mann to be a guest instructor from April 11-14. He would receive 30 training hours, and credit toward future classes. However, the new deputy marshal would be starting around that time, and the council as well as Marshal Mann have concerns about a new deputy being on their own. It was agreed that Joe will decline the opportunity for now, but he has the possibility of accepting future offers. The Spillman software for the police department will cost \$3,500 per officer. If the Osgood police department decides to obtain the software, the cost to the town would be reduced from \$7,000 to \$6,400. The software for the SRO will be paid for from the Tyson money. The council approved the software unanimously. Joe mentioned several properties in town that were in need of repair. Larry will send letters to the property owners. The Charger has been repaired, it was under warranty. Joe presented some pricing information for new PD vehicles. Steve suggested holding off on a new vehicle for a little while longer. Joe has seven qualified candidates for the deputy position. Physical agility testing will take place March 26.

Attorney Eaton has not received a response from the ISP about the shooting range. Larry spoke with the business owners in the industrial park and asked if more of the area could be fenced in so that the clutter isn't as visible.

Brian mentioned that the soccer goals need to be moved from Ohio Rod to the complex. Kevin will move them as soon as the ground dries out. Ohio Rod has also donated some bleachers if the town wants them. Amy Miller was in attendance and stated that there is a traveling soccer league from Batesville that is looking for fields to rent. It is a possibility that the town may be interested in an agreement in the future.

Roxanne Meyer gave an update on the plans for Pangburn Park. Derf Tree Service will charge \$1,600 to remove six large trees and grind the stumps. An acrylic basketball backboard will cost \$1,495 and two goals. New steel would cost \$2,000. Attorney Eaton offered to donate a basketball goal from his home if someone would come get it. Roxanne asked if the town could cover the cost of taking down the trees. Clean up day is scheduled for May 14.

Larry is working on a usage agreement for the firehouse, and stated that we need to find out what the max capacity is. Larry also mentioned that the property where the old radio station was needs to be torn down.

Brian reported that a couple of the street lights in Harvest Ridge are leaning. Duke is responsible for fixing them.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Council President – Steve Mathes

Attest: _____
Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

Council Member – Roxanne Meyer

Council Member – Brian Samples