

May 10, 2016

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on May 10, 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 with the correction that the stormwater fee was discussed, but it had not been officially approved to start charging the fee.

Deputy Marshal Alex Hafft was sworn into office by clerk-treasurer Kiersten Libby. Several members of Deputy Hafft's family were in attendance.

Fire Chief Ben Sieverding reported 47 calls since the April meeting including 4 accidents, a small house fire and a tractor trailer accident. Ben requested that the council consider an increase in the fire protection contract for 2017.

Barry Pollock requested permission to hold an open burn to dispose of some debris from a recent storm. Marshal Joe Mann stated that the burn ordinance does allow open burning under special circumstances, with permission from the town. The council agreed unanimously to allow Mr. Pollock to have an open burn with the condition that he alert Fire Chief Sieverding when he will be burning.

Ryan Holcomb from the Versailles Lions Club requested permission to use the sports complex for the second annual Punkin Chunkin. The council agreed unanimously to allow the Lions Club to hold the event at the complex.

Mary McCarty held the public hearing for the storm drain grant application through IOCRA. The grant is for up to \$500,000, and the application is due June 10. The town has a local match of \$108,000, \$87,000 of which is from the Tyson Fund, \$18,000 from the RSRF, and \$3,000 from the Town of Versailles. The bulk of the improvements will be around Tanglewood road and Horton Dr. Letters from residents in this area are encouraged to write letters to express any issues that standing water is causing. The project must be completed within 18 months of the agreement signing if the grant is obtained.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported that one lift station pump has been replaced, and one repaired. The sewer line on Perry Street has been completed. As soon as the ground dries out, the street department will begin mowing at the complex and around town. Two part time employees have been hired for the Summer. The camera truck was delivered today, and the employees have started training. Kevin stated that the walking trails at the complex should be ready in June.

Marshal Joe Mann reported that Deputy Hafft's uniforms have been ordered.

The Lions club submitted a letter requesting use of the square for their annual chicken bbq on Saturday, June 25. The council granted permission.

Steve Mathes stated that the town is considering a flat \$3/bill storm water fee. Mainstreet has ordered some new banners for the light poles on and around the square. Cyber liability insurance will be taken into consideration when the 2017 budget is discussed.

Roxanne Meyer reminded everyone that the Pangburn Park clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, May 14 weather permitting. Approximately \$3,600 has been raised so far for park renovations. Beaver Creek nursery donated \$450 worth of plants, and Patterson's Nursery donated \$480 in cypress mulch for the toddler playground.

Brian Samples noted that some street repair is needed on Clearview and Cori Lane. Kevin said that they will keep patching Cori Lane and possibly blacktop it this summer.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Council President – Steve Mathes

Attest: _____
Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

Council Member – Roxanne Meyer

Council Member – Brian Samples

