

April 10, 2018

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on April 10, 2018. All council members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Melissa Boor and Meg Applegate from MMCH were in attendance to ask for the town's assistance with their Rule the Road program. The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute runs the program, which allows teen drivers to experience things that they wouldn't otherwise in driver's education, such as sliding on ice, hydroplaning, and driving while impaired. The presentation will be September 13 from 9 AM-2 PM at the Thrive market in Batesville. All students in Ripley and Franklin county that have a driver's license or permit are eligible to attend, pending a screening by the school. A maximum of 50 students may be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. The group is requesting use of one or more of the town's police vehicles. The students will sign a liability waiver, and 5 total vehicles are needed. The use of actual police vehicles leaves an impression on the students. The City of Batesville has already approved use of their Crown Victoria, and the group is waiting to hear from the Ripley County Sherriff's Department. Steve stated that he would like to discuss the matter with Marshal Mann, and he thinks the program would be very beneficial for the students. The council discussed the possibility of using the town truck, and possibly requesting SRO Jeff Thielking's assistance.

Roger Dean from the Church on the Rock was in attendance to discuss the summer feeding program at Pangburn Park. Pastor Dean stated that if they were not permitted to do any church related activities, they would be ok with that. Roxanne stated that she did not recall discussing such activities last year, and that is where the problem is. The program will run from approximately May 28-July 27. The council agreed unanimously to allow the Summer Feeding Program to run at Pangburn Park. The key will be dropped off and picked up by a member of the church at the Town Hall.

Mary McCarty announced the receipt of the wastewater improvement grant. Mary was in attendance representing Versailles Main Street, and discussed plans for the upcoming bicentennial. The day's activities include a farmer's market, the taste of Versailles, videos, a walking tour, Crusin' the Square and a beer garden. Mary also requested funding from the town, to help defer some of the cost. Steve motioned that the town donate \$1,000, and the motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley updated the council on the pump repair at Sawmill lift station. The ball fields have been fertilized, and Kevin has been working on the sprinkling system. Roxanne asked if the DNR contract can be amended. Larry would like to speak with Bob Curry regarding the contract.

Roxanne thanked the RCCF for the grant to purchase bicentennial banners. Matt presented quotes for purchasing score boards for the sports complex. The council agreed to approve the purchase. The coach's draft was held for picking teams. Roxanne would like to put up a permanent gate at the complex. The council discussed their options. Matt received a complaint regarding trash in people's yards. A heavy trash dumpster will be placed at Pangburn Park the first Saturday of May and November.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Attest: _____

Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

Council President, Matt McNew

Council Member, Steve Mathes

Council Member, Roxanne Meyer