

July 10, 2018

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

Judge Cheryl Richmond presented her revenue and expenses for the month.

Fire Chief Ben Sieverding reported 56 calls for the month, totaling 299 for 2018 so far. Ben stated that the VVFD would have a crew present during the bicentennial events. The department received three applications for new members, but only has two openings available.

Roger Kavanaugh from the Versailles American Legion requested permission to close Water street in front of the post on July 28 for Legionfest. The council agreed unanimously. Roger thanked the street department and the town council for the use of the town streets and barricades for the annual car show.

Wes Summers was present to answer the council's questions about the condition of the soccer fields. Steve asked if there was a short term solution so that the soccer club can play this season at the complex. Wes recommended re-seeding, and hopefully the grass will start to grow. Wes said that re-seeding for the next two years, and then resuming fertilizing would be optimal. Steve stated that the council would review their options in the future. Matt asked if the ground had all been worked up, and Wes stated that it had all been re-graded. The council will evaluate the situation after the season is over.

Marshal Joe Mann presented his activity report. Roxanne requested updates on ordinance violations, and Joe reported on those that he had resolved.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported that the big water tower had been serviced and checked out ok. The pump was replaced at Dewitt lift station, and the electric fixed at Pangburn. Installation of the scoreboards is almost complete. Steve asked if the smaller speed bumps could be placed on Tanglewood Rd. in addition to the large ones to reduce speeding. Kevin will put the small speed bumps out.

The council agreed to donate \$100 to Safe Passage.

Larry has not heard from Mike Bedel on the condition of his property. Larry will send the final proposal to DNR about the wastewater contract.

Roxanne spoke to Ric Battershell about reducing costs on the new town hall, and Ric said there is nothing more he can do. The council will speak with Jeff Hafft about a firm commitment to the town hall project. Roxanne gave an update on the events for the bicentennial. Janice Avidesian offered to donate an electric organ to the town, and although the council was grateful for the offer, they respectfully declined the donation.

Matt reported that there will be a baseball tournament held at the complex July 21-22. Ben agreed to do the inspections for the rental policy.