

Mayor Subler called the Council meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mr. Paulus, Mr. Berger, Mr. Dammeyer, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Griesdorn, and Mr. Steinbrunner. Also present was Village Administrator Hale, Fiscal Officer Ording, and Village Attorney Tom Guillozet.

Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the following items:

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from the January 22, 2020 Regular Meeting
- Approval of expenditures as of February 12, 2020
- Approval of the appointment of Mr. Ray Berger to the Income Tax Review Board
- Approval of the appointment of Mr. Shane Stonebraker to the Records Commission
- Approval of the appointment of Mr. Mike Darnell to the Board of Zoning Appeals & CRA Housing Council
- Approval of recommendation from Fire Chief Brian Pearson to allow Toby George to be added as a member of the roster of the Versailles Fire Department as a probationary/candidate firefighter
- Approval of recommendation from Fire Chief Brian Pearson to allow Sarah Kremer to be added as a member of the roster of the Versailles Fire Department as a probationary/candidate firefighter

Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Ms. JoAnne Boston of Efficiency Smart was present to discuss the Efficiency Smart program. The Village's contract with American Municipal Power for participation into the Efficiency Smart program is up for renewal. Ms. Boston explained that the program provides energy efficiency resources for both businesses and residents of the Village. Enhancements made to the program include online chat, a resources webpage, new heat pump rebates, electric bill advice for high bill customers, online home energy assessment and additional product options for appliance recycling rewards. Village Administrator Hale explained that the contract is a renewal for the same price and that it is beneficial in savings for the Village and the consumers.

Next, Mayor Subler proclaimed February 22 through 29, 2020 as FFA Week in the Village of Versailles.

Also, under public hearings members considered a notice from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control of a permit transfer to sell alcoholic beverages from Best Bite Grill, LLC to Renaissance Corp. Ohio Revised Code Section 4303.271 (B) provides the legislative authority with the right to object to the transfer of a permit and to request a hearing. Mr. Beasley made a motion to waive the hearing and allow the liquor permit transfer. Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas with Mr. Dammeyer abstaining from vote. Motion carried.

Under old business, Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Resolution No. 20-01, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose be read by title only for the third reading, seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the third reading of Resolution No. 20-01. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to approve Resolution No. 20-01, seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the second reading of Resolution No. 20-03, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose.

For the first item of new business, Resolution No. 20-07, a resolution accepting the annexation of 5.350 acres, more or less, owned by Dane Strausbaugh into the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency was considered and read by title only a first time. Mr. Paulus made a motion to read Resolution No. 20-07 a second and third time, by title only, and declared an emergency, seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Resolution No. 20-07 was read a second and third time by title only. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to accept Resolution No. 20-07, seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Next was consideration of Resolution No. 20-08, a resolution authorizing the Fiscal Officer to advertise for bids for the 2020 Street Maintenance Project, and declaring an emergency. Village Administrator Hale reviewed with Council the plans for project. Resolution No. 20-08 was read by title only a first time. Mr. Paulus made a motion to read Resolution No. 20-08 a second and third time, by title only, and declared an emergency, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Resolution No. 20-08 was read a second and third time by title only. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to accept Resolution No. 20-08, seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Council then considered Resolution No. 20-09, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose and declaring an emergency. Resolution No. 20-09 was read by title only, a first time. Mr. Paulus made a motion to read Resolution No. 20-09 a second and third time, by title only, and declared an emergency, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Resolution No. 20-09 was read a second and third time by title only. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to accept Resolution No. 20-09, seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Prior to the meeting, Village Administrator Hale provided Council members with a proposal from Rumpke for a renewal, three-year contract. The contract of April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2023 has a price increase of \$1.23 per ton of refuse disposal and recyclables will increase by \$15.00 per ton. The large increase in recyclables is due to the market price being very low right now and the expense to separate bad recyclable material that the public is disposing. Village Administrator Hale stated that Rumpke did say that Versailles does a good job of separating out the correct recyclables and others will likely see a higher increase. Council members agreed of the importance of recycling and to continue educating the community on what materials are recyclable. Citizens can contact the Village with any questions concerning the recycling program. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to continue with Rumpke Waste & Recycling Services for disposal of waste and recyclables and for the creation of legislation, seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

The last item of new business was consideration of a motion to enter into a renewed contract with American Municipal Power for participation in the Efficiency Smart Program. Mr. Paulus made the motion to enter into the contract, seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

With all scheduled business complete, Mr. Berger made a motion to enter into Executive Session to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans of an applicant for economic development assistance, seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Members entered Executive Session at 7:49 p.m. Members returned from Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

Upon returning from Executive Session, Mayor Subler stated no decisions were made.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Village Administrator Hale distributed his Administrator's Report to members and reported on the following items: I have been contacted by Katherine Yant who is the new owner of the building at 263 Marker Road, formerly The Gathering Place. The plan is for a new business called the Pie Hole Bakery and A.M. Coffee Shop to open in that building around the end of February. According to Katherine the plan is to have pies, pastries, artisan bread, danishes and donuts available for purchase. On January 28th one of our volunteer firemen was injured during a vehicle extraction training exercise. I'm being told the injuries were not of a serious nature. Recently the Versailles Garden Club volunteered to clean up two storage areas within the old fire house. I would like to thank the members for doing a fantastic job and for creating much needed extra space. Mindy Gigandet has agreed to return as our seasonal landscaper for the upcoming summer. This will be Mindy's third year. I will be asking the Village Council to pass legislation at an upcoming meeting to move forward with a need for assessment regarding those properties that have not completed repairs on their sidewalks that were part of the 2019 Sidewalk Maintenance project. Letters will be provided to those property owners to keep them informed of the process going forward. Once the Need for Assessment legislation is passed the Village can then make repairs to the sidewalks and assess the cost to the property owner. All Village computers have been updated to Windows 10. This update was necessary to maintain our network security. I have requested quotes for replacement of three Village of Versailles entrance signs, the large white ones with all of the different service club's logo signs attached, along with the final two state championship signs. I hope to have these replaced prior to Poultry Days this year. I am currently working on completing the 2019 Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) agreement Business Status Reports which I will then submit to both the County and the State. Once all of this information has been entered a meeting of the Tax Incentive Review Board, which includes County Auditor Carol Ginn, will be held at the County Commissioner's Office in Greenville. Additionally, a local Community Reinvestment Area Housing Council meeting will be held here in Versailles to review all buildings involved within a Versailles CRA agreement. We continue to work with Vectren and Premier Energy Services regarding the street opening fees incurred from their work within the Village in 2019. The number of openings increased by over 500% from their original estimate. The yellow ribbons on trees throughout the Village are to mark trees that the Village is requesting an estimate to trim in conjunction with our 2020 Street Right-of-Way clearing project. Our well field consultant, Eagon & Associates, has sent a well site variance request to the Ohio EPA at the end of January to allow for us to perform a test bore for a new potential water protection well. Kyle Francis and Scott Riley met with Kurt Baumer, owner of Baumer Construction, last week to get pricing and a layout for a new restroom and locker room area in the new municipal building. There are two existing rooms that should be easily converted into these areas. Baumer will have his CAD designer work on the layout and get us pricing within the next week or so. Chris Berg of C&S Painting was at the new municipal building this past Friday to provide an estimate for removing wall paper from the office area, making repairs to the drywall, and to paint after the repairs are made. Electric personnel are preparing to start on a new underground primary power extension for Josh Kremer on Cramer Road. The extension is approximately 525 LF to a new home that is being built east of Cramer Road. We hope to complete this project very soon so we can transition to the Midmark electric relocation work necessary because of the recently announced expansion. Brice Schmitmeyer with Access Engineering has

completed the estimate for the 2020 Street Maintenance Project and is wrapping up completing the bid package. The first advertising date will be Wednesday, February 19th, with bids to be opened on March 5th at 10AM. Luke & Megan Cox have asked for the water and sanitary sewer extension to be completed across the front of their property as soon as possible, instead of waiting until 2021 like the other property owners, because they have had some recent septic problems and wish to build a building where their septic tank is located. Shinn Brothers are currently working to complete that extension. Two new pickup trucks have been ordered for the Street Foreman and the Utilities Superintendent. Gaier's Chrysler in Ft. Loramie provided the best price for the two trucks which will be a Ram 1500 (\$22,944.00) and a Ram 2500 (\$28,955.00). Prices from Hittle GMC, Dave Knapp Ford, and Katterheinrich Chevrolet were also received. These vehicle purchases are included in the Village's 2020 Capital Purchase budget.

Fiscal Officer Ording reported to Council members that an account has been established and money has been transferred to Star Ohio (The State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio).

Chief Humphreys January Monthly Activity Report was distributed to Council members.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Finance & Audit – a meeting was scheduled February 26, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
- Street & Safety – meeting scheduled March 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
- Personnel & Policies – meeting scheduled April 8, 2020 a 6:15 p.m.
- Board of Zoning Appeals – met February 3rd for the variance application filed by Midmark Corp, 687 Greenlawn Ave, for the approval of a reduction in the front yard setback of 50 feet to 17 feet.
- Cemetery Board - meeting scheduled February 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.
- Park Board – met February 7th. The board met with representatives from the youth softball and baseball organizations for the review and approval of improvements at Ward Park ball diamonds and Indian Creek ball diamond

With no further business to conduct Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas.

Mayor Subler adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Jeffry A. Subler, Mayor

Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer