

**Versailles Village Public Hearing
Held at Community Room**

February 13, 2019

Mayor Subler called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mr. Paulus, Mr. Berger, Mr. Dammeyer, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Griesdorn, and Mr. Steinbrenner.

Mayor Subler presented the Planning Commission's recommendation and related ordinance to amend to the Village's Zoning Ordinance to rezone properties at 706 East Main Street, 732 East Main Street, and 45 Maple Street, all within the Village of Versailles, Ohio to B-1 as an emergency. He informed those in attendance that anyone who wanted to address Council would be given up to 3 minutes in time and he stated that they start by giving their name and address.

Individuals who spoke against the rezone of the three properties were Mr. Tom Jokerst, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Luttmmer, and Mrs. Jennifer Timmerman. Mrs. Timmerman provided a map to Council members that showed the number of residential properties along with the current zoning of the properties in the area of concern.

Individuals who spoke in favor of the rezoning of the three properties were Mr. Gary Middendorf, Mr. Mark Siegel, Mr. & Mrs. Dick Gigandet, Mr. Dale Siegel, and Mr. & Mrs. Larry Barhorst.

Mayor Subler stated the Village has received letters from Casey's General Store and the Darke County Economic Development Director both requesting that due to the amount of time that has passed, the legislation to proceed be done as an emergency measure. He explained that Council properly went through the process of the referendum being placed on the ballot for the citizens to vote. The citizens voted in favor of the rezoning of the three properties. Based on the foregoing, the appropriate procedure was to go back through the process and do so as an emergency.

Council member Griesdorn spoke to say he has been a member of Council for one year. He assured those in attendance that this issue was never taken lightly and that all involved have worked to do what is best for the Village.

Council member Dammeyer requested that the map presented by Mrs. Timmerman be entered as Exhibit "A" and it was therefore marked. He said to those in attendance that unfortunately this issue has divided the town and it has been very hard on everyone. He stated that the Versailles Chamber did a pole to reveal that 80% of businesses were in favor of the rezoning and that 2/3 of the citizens voted for the rezoning. With this, to vote against it would not be right for the Village. It's time to move forward and he hopes the community can be one again.

With no further comments, Mr. Paulus made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Subler adjourned the meeting at 6:33p.m.

Jeffrey A. Subler, Mayor

Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer