

Mayor Subler called the Council meeting to order at 7:07 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 were Village Administrator Hale, Fiscal Officer Ording, and Village Attorney Tom Guillozet.

Mayor Subler requested that the agenda be amended to add under Executive Session, item 7 B. To consider compensation of public employees.

Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept the consent agenda items which included approval of the following:

- Approval of Agenda as amended to include the addition of item 7 B. listed above under Executive Session
- Approval of Minutes from the April 24, 2019 Regular Meeting
- Approval of expenditures as of May 8, 2019

Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas with Mr. Dammeyer abstaining from vote for the approval of the April 24, 2019 minutes.

Also under public discussions, Mayor Subler signed an Emergency Medical Services Week Proclamation, proclaiming May 19 – 25, 2019 as Emergency Medical Services Week in the Village of Versailles.

Next, Mr. Ivan Brand, Mr. Bill Brandewie, and Mr. Tim Rhoades were in attendance to discuss the proposal to establish a dog park at Indian Creek Park. Village Administrator Hale had sent letters to all Indian Creek property owners that are adjacent to the Indian Creek Park regarding the possibility of creating a dog park within the Indian Creek Park area. Several property owners were in to express concerns and stated they would not be in favor of the location. The residents in attendance expressed concerns of safety for children playing in the area, barking dogs, dog owners not keeping the area clean, and fencing off the only green area open where children play. Mayor Subler and Village Administrator Hale both thanked the residents for their attendance and explained that this was just one of many locations that has been looked at. The letters were sent to the residents to get feedback and Council appreciated their input.

Under old business, Attorney Guillozet read by title only the third reading of Resolution No. 19-17, a resolution adopting the Darke County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation 5-Year Plan Update. Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept Resolution No. 19-17, seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

The item of new business was consideration of Ordinance No. 19-22, an ordinance accepting the annexation plat of 50.535 acres, more or less, to the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency. Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, Ordinance No. 19-22 a first time. Mr. Beasley made a motion to have Ordinance No. 19-22 declared an emergency and be read by title only a second and third time. Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read, by title only, Ordinance No. 19-22, a second and third time. Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 19-22 as read, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Subler recognized Mr. Aaron Moran who was in attendance on behalf of the Versailles Bicentennial Committee. He presented to Council a list of expenses related to the Bicentennial Celebration in the Park scheduled for September 14, 2019. Previously, the Village had indicated support for events that are free and open to all ages. Council members will consider the request at the next Council meeting. Mr. Moran also gave Council an update of school activities as the 2018-2019 school year comes to an end.

With all scheduled business complete, Mr. Paulus made a motion to enter into Executive Session seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. The first item was to consider the purchase of property for public purposes. The second item was to consider compensation of public employees. Members entered Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. Members returned from Executive Session at 8:52 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: Regarding the recent article in the Dayton Daily News about citing train companies for stopped and slow-moving trains, further investigation by Tom Guillozet discovered the citations really do not provide a true incentive for the railroad companies to keep trains moving. In fact, according to the law director in the city of Moraine, the railroad company involved in citations in that area have not paid one citation. I have contacted Gov. DeWine's office and we continue to log dates and times that will be

provided to Congressman Warren Davidson's office. As a reminder ODOT will be completing reconstruction work on the bridge just north of the railroad tracks on State Route 47 north of town. A preconstruction meeting will be held Friday, May 17th. I should have a better idea of exactly when the actual construction will start after that meeting. This will close down State Route 47 N. during the construction. Aaron Moran contacted me regarding the school considering a new driveway up near the school. The idea is to create a circular drive pattern to alleviate pickup and drop-off traffic congestion. I have been provided a basic concept plan and have discussed the project with engineering/architectural firm Freytag & Associates. The project should create no concerns for the Village. The Versailles Area Chamber of Commerce held its Spring Social on Wednesday, May 1st above Sideliners. Two businesses were recognized for 25-year memberships in the Versailles Area Chamber. Langston Graphics and The Inn at Versailles were both recognized. The new wastewater sewage plant dewatering system is officially up and running. Last week a demonstration was provided and everything worked as planned. This new dewatering system will provide the Village much more flexibility regarding when and where we can get rid of our solid waste sludge. It is expected that ODOT will begin paving South Center Street the week of May 13th. Walls Brothers will be doing the paving. On Thursday, May 2nd, Electric Foreman Scott Riley and I attended an Electrical Department Mutual Aid meeting in Piqua. The meeting was attended by most AMP members in our area and the coordination of mutual aid, should it become necessary, from other AMP member communities was discussed. We are fortunate that should something happen to our electrical system we can reach out to other local AMP communities for help. Likewise, we can send crews to help other municipalities. Regarding the structure at 21 E. Wood Street, H&H Environmental is currently removing asbestos from the house. I wrote letters to all Indian Creek property owners that are adjacent to Indian Creek Park regarding the possibility of creating a dog park within the Indian Creek Park area. Property owners are not in favor of creating a dog park in that area. I spoke to four individual owners and all expressed concerns and stated they would not be in favor of that location. I expressed that is exactly why we sent out letters, to gauge property owner interest and to hear concerns. I believe the concerns were reasonable and I understand why owners would have those concerns. In general, concerns were that users of the dog park would not clean up after themselves, barking dogs, and fencing off the only open area where kids can play. We have unfortunately lost two members of our Electric Department to other local electric utilities. In this case, Darke Rural Electric has hired both employees. I received a complaint from a resident on Klipstine Road regarding the dirt and mud construction trucks are leaving on the road. It has been difficult for construction crews to keep the area clean due to all of the rain, but I did contact Jay Ruhenkamp and he will do his best to keep Klipstine Road clear of dirt and mud. The owner of the 31 West Water St. property has now paid two installments of the expense incurred to clean up the property. There is one remaining installment. The total incurred amount was \$1153.50. Village employees have completed the pavement patch work on the repaired storm sewer improvements on S. Center St. just south of the Board of Education parking lot. Walls Brothers are planning to begin paving in this area the week of May 13th. The main fountain uptown has received needed masonry repairs. Street Department personnel will be recoating the inside of the fountain. The corner fountain will be turned on as well very soon once cleaning of the wall behind it is completed. We are going to contact Renosys, the company that performed the swimming pool liner project, to get a price on having a PVC liner installed in both fountains. We will go ahead and put both fountains into service this year but we are being told a liner would be the correct way to go to prevent further masonry deterioration. The Village's yard waste/compost facility will be closed Saturday, May 11th and Sunday May 12th as the WWTP paved drive and bridge is set to be sealed by Western Ohio Asphalt Sealing. Notice has been posted in the Versailles Policy as well as social media platforms. If the weather is not favorable for the work, the closure will be postponed to another date. We have received prices for a replacement leaf collection machine as budgeted in this year's five-year capital improvement plan. Both prices are from Best Equipment with one price being for a demo unit with around 20 hours of use at a price of \$57,025.98. The second unit is brand-new from the factory at a price of \$66,314.03. Both units are the same brand and size that we have currently. We have sent Mike Wagner to Indianapolis look at the demo unit and if it is what we anticipate, we will recommend moving forward with the purchase of that unit. The WJ Bohman Water Tower Improvements Project is wrapping up. The contractor finished April 18th and the coatings were left to cure until April 30th when we were cleared to begin filling the tower. As of this morning, Tim Wehrkamp has stated the tower was full and ready for water sample tests to be completed. Once we are comfortable with the water samples the tower can be placed back online. We plan to begin filling the swimming pool next week. The pool inspection by the Darke Co. Health Dept. is slated for May 21st.

Chief Humphreys April Monthly Activity Report was distributed.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Finance & Audit Committee – will be scheduling a meeting soon
- Planning Commission – met May 6th. Approved a subdivide for Denlinger Enterprises
- Cemetery Board – meeting May 21, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
- Tree Commission – met April 26th for the Arbor Day tree planting
- Town Hall Property Trustee Board – met May 8th to discuss the repairs and maintenance to the Town Hall Building

Mayor Subler reported that he may be late or not in attendance at the May 22nd meeting due to a work commitment.

Also, the ½% Income Tax Renewal was passed by resident voters at Tuesday's election. The Village appreciates the continued support of citizens.

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 9:06 p.m.

Jeffry A. Subler, Mayor

Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer