

Mayor Subler called the Council meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mr. Paulus, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Dammeyer, Mr. Griesdorn, and Mr. Steinbrunner and Mr. Gigandet. Also present were Village Administrator Busse, Fiscal Officer Ording, Police Chief Bolin, Fire Chief Pearson, and Village Attorney Tom Guillozet. Meladi Brewer, reporter for the Greenville Daily Advocate & Early Bird was also in attendance.

Mayor Subler requested that the agenda be amended to include an addition under New Business, item 6. C. Consideration of a motion to accept the retirement resignation of Mr. Ron Kremer, effective July 7, 2022. He also requested to add to Executive Session, item 7.B. To consider purchase of property for public use.

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

- Approval of Agenda as amended
- Approval of Minutes from May 11, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Approval of List of Expenditures for May 25, 2022

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

The item for public discussion was the recently enacted Ohio House Bill 172 which revises the Fireworks Law in Ohio. The bill allows individuals to possess consumer-grade fireworks and to discharge them on their own property or on another person's property (with permission) on certain days of the year: New Year's Day, Chinese New Year, Cinco de Mayo, Memorial Day weekend, Juneteenth, July 3, 4, and 5, and the Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays preceding and following, Labor Day weekend, Diwali, and New Year's Eve. Fire Chief Pearson presented to Council members information he received from the State Fire Marshal. Within HB 172, there is also local control which allows local governments to restrict the dates and times that individuals may discharge consumer-grade fireworks or to impose a complete ban on the use of consumer-grade fireworks. Council members, along with Chief Pearson and Police Chief Bolin discussed the provisions of the impending bill, which goes into effect July 1st. Concerns include the increased risk of injuries and increased risk of fires and property damage. Also expressed was concerns of noise and the impact it would have on residents and pets. After much consideration, Mr. Griesdorn made a motion for legislation to be written, banning permission of non-licensed individuals using consumer-grade fireworks within the Village, seconded by Mr. Paulus. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Under old business, Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Resolution No. 22-19, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose be read by title only, a third time, seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the third reading of Resolution No. 22-19. Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept Resolution No. 22-19, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

For the first item of new business, Mr. Paulus made a motion for legislation to be prepared to rezone Lot 1040 located in the Edgewood at Versailles Subdivision Phase #2 from R-2 to R-PUD, seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Next, Mr. Paulus made a motion to approve a conditional appointment of Mr. Caden Hamilton to a Utility Craftsman position for a 6-month probationary period. Mr. Steinbrunner seconded. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

The last item of new business was to accept the resignation of Mr. Ron Kremer, effective July 7, 2022. Village Administrator Busse said that Ron has announced his retirement. He has been with the Village since June 2, 2003. He has been a valued employee over the last 19 years and will be greatly missed. Mr. Griesdorn made a motion to accept Mr. Kremer's resignation, seconded by Mr. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

With all new business complete, Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the employment and compensation of public employees and to consider purchase of property for public use, seconded by Mr. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Members entered Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. The Executive Session ended at 8:21 p.m. Upon returning to the regular meeting, Mayor Subler made a recommendation to Council for the termination of Mr. Shane Grieves as a Police Officer with the Village of Versailles, effective immediately. Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept the recommendation from Mayor Subler for the termination of Mr. Shane Grieves as Police Officer, seconded by Mr. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Mayor Subler congratulated Midmark/ Renaissance Corporation on the grand opening of Hotel Versailles. Everyone is very happy and excited that the construction is finally

complete. The Village is very proud to be home of such a grand hotel/restaurant.

Village Administrator Busse distributed his Administrator's Report to members and reported on the following items: The manholes and pipe work for the Homer Street Lift Station have been completed. The trench patching was completed today. The electrical work is in process. Next week we hope to set the generator and transformer. The startup has been delayed until the end of June due to scheduling conflicts. Once the new lift station is in service, we will then redirect the flow into the new lift station and decommission the existing lift station. We have been given the go ahead by the Ohio EPA and are in the process of obtaining quotes for the Well #6 relining project. The water plant clarifier was taken out of service last weekend and a large sediment blockage was removed from the inlet pipe. The 24-hour pump testing for Well #12 on the Dirksen property is scheduled to be completed the week of June 6th. Adjacent property owners have been contacted and we plan to monitor many of the area wells during the flow testing. The Street Department is continuing to focus on mowing. They have also begun trimming hedges and mulching. They have been focusing on the downtown areas for now, but as soon as the summer help begins work, they will branch out to other areas such as the Village Office and park areas. The curb and line painting has begun this week. The Street Department has repaired a leak on the 10-inch cast-iron water line on N. Steffin Street near Worch Lumber. The Street Department has repaired a leak on the 10-inch cast-iron water line on Homer Street. We have slowed our progress with the AMI Water Meter Project to get caught up on spring activities but plan to resume installing these radio units the week after Poultry Days. All new water meters installed moving forward will have radio transmitter units installed on them. We are currently working on reimbursement request #1 to OPWC. The Darke County Health Department Pool inspection was completed on Monday, May 23rd. The pool is ready to open this Saturday. Doug Jackson, Brian Gehret, and Tim Wehrkamp spent a great deal of time getting everything ready for the inspection and season opening of the pool. The Electric Department is still working on the new primary feed from Baker Road back to the water tower. This will provide a new path to replace the underground cable that has failed. In the future we will use this as a redundant path to the North Industrial Park area. The Electric Department has installed the permanent electric service to the new double unit located at 407/409 Reed Avenue. The Electric Department has begun setting up for Poultry Days.

Fiscal Officer Ording provided Council members with the April Fund Report and Monthly Revenue Report.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Finance & Audit Committee – met prior to the meeting to discuss the purchase of a police vehicle that is scheduled on the 2023 Capital Improvement Plan.
- Street & Safety – met May 23rd to review a preliminary report from Choice One Engineering concerning the proposed truck route. The Street & Safety committee is recommending to Council for a Public Hearing to be scheduled June 8, 2022 at 6:50 p.m. to consider legislation prohibiting parking on the south side of Greenlawn Ave between North West Street and North Center Street. Mr. Gigandet made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing on June 8, 2022 at 6:50 for the presentation of prohibited parking along the south side of Greenlawn Ave, seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.
- Planning Commission – meeting June 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to continue the review of Article 11, Sections 1101 through 1110 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- Cemetery Board – meeting June 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Griesdorn and Mr. Beasley reported they would be absent from the June 8th meeting. Village Attorney Guillozet also will not be in attendance.

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

Mayor Subler adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Jeffrey A. Subler, Mayor

Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer