Versailles Village Council Meeting Held at Community Room

Mayor Subler called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 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.

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

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from the June 13, 2018 Regular Meeting
- Approval of expenditures as of June 27, 2018

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

Sarah Magoto and A.J. Magoto from the Versailles Area Historical Society presented to Council the organizations request to place historical signs throughout the downtown area. The signs would be placed at The Original Town Plat (20 lots) at the north corner of Main Street & Second Street, Town Square, Town Hall, at the corner by the Sweet Shop, and near The Inn at Versailles. The framed signs would provide historical information of the downtown area. The Mayor and Council members supported the idea, but had concerns on the placement of the signs. Village Administrator Hale will meet with members of the Historical Society to work on the location of the signs.

With no old business scheduled, Village Attorney Guillozet ready by title only, for the first reading, Ordinance No. 18-23; an ordinance creating the Versailles Downtown Redevelopment District (DRD) within the Municipality; declaring the improvements to real property within the Downtown Redevelopment District to be a public purpose; exempting fifty percent (50%) of the value of such improvements from real property taxation for a period of up to a maximum of thirty years; requiring the owners of parcels for which improvements are declared to be a public purpose to make annual service payments in lieu of taxes during the period of exemption; establishing a Municipal Downtown Redevelopment District Fund for the deposit of such service payments; and approving related matters.

Next, members considered Ordinance No. 18-24; an ordinance approving a donation of a mini-ambulance from the Darke County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency and authorizing the use of the same by the Mayor and/or Director of the Versailles Emergency Medical Services Department and declaring an emergency. Village Administrator stated that the mini-ambulance is a golf cart that has a stretcher. The Versailles EMS has used this for Poultry Days. Ordinance No. 18-24 was read by title only. Mr. Paulus made a motion that Ordinance No. 18-24 be read by title only for a second and third time; seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read Ordinance No. 18-24 a second and third time by title only. Mr. Paulus then made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 18-24; seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Mr. Paulus made a motion to allow the Versailles Area Historical Society to purchase historical signs for the downtown area, pending that the location of the signs is agreed upon. Mr. Dammeyer seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Administrator Hale will meet with members from the Historical Society to determine the locations for the signs.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Village Administrator Hale distributed his Administrator's Report to members and reported on the following items: The S. Center Street Water Line Replacement project is complete with the exception of a few punch list items. The Village will be submitting an application for an Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) grant to help with the Virginia Street reconstruction project. This project is tentatively scheduled for 2020. The N. West Street Extension project continues with no real issues. The rain the last few days has slowed the project but we are still a bit ahead of schedule. On June 21st at approximately 3:30 p.m. a large tree limb fell onto a postal vehicle on N. West Street just north of Nature's Reflections floral shop. The vehicle was unoccupied and no serious damage occurred. The transmission in our vac truck recently needed repair, due to a faulty transmission control module, at a cost of \$4800. The vac Truck is one of our most used pieces of equipment and is put in service on many projects. I received notice from the Darke County Parks that a grant in the amount of \$2500 has been approved towards our artificial turf installation project around the Ward Park merry-go-round. The total cost for the project is \$6787.50. This makes the Village's portion \$4287.50. There has been much discussion regarding the 5G small cell wireless systems that will be coming to municipalities over the next few years. I attended a conference and viewed a webinar regarding concerns small municipalities should have regarding the recent passing of HB 478 which allows wireless utility companies such as T-Mobile, Verizon, AT&T, etc. to place small cells on municipal infrastructure, such as street light poles, power poles, etc. for the purpose of providing citizens with 5G wireless signal. After attending the conference, it appears very unlikely Versailles will see any companies attempting to place cells on any of our infrastructure for at least five years. Understandably, the large metro areas are where the companies want to go first because they need big numbers of subscribers to make money. In fact, the comment was made that by the time 5G gets to rural areas, the technology may have changed to make placing cells on municipal infrastructure unnecessary. Representatives from the wireless companies provided a question and answer panel session and stated they will work with municipalities to place cells in locations that work for everyone. It's important to understand having 5G wireless would be good for citizens of the Village as it would provide the fastest possible internet speed and we do not want to create rules to keep the companies out. The new electronic scoreboard at the Indian Creek Park baseball diamond is working, but we are dealing with what I would consider a cheap controller for the scoreboard. The second (new) controller is operating, but a charger port on the new one has come loose which is the same issue as the last controller. We are working with the manufacturer to see what can be done. Western Ohio Asphalt has begun crack sealing on village streets. This year we will be doing approximately 2.12 miles of streets. I have met with Tom Guillozet to discuss the process of annexing land for the new subdivision on Klipstine Road. We have not received any official request, but I have written letters to all property owners in the area to determine which property owners might be interested in being annexed into the Village. The pool is in full operation and other than the recent rain, things are going well. We have placed new signage near the entrance door of the pool providing citizens with times of operation and admission cost. We recently had to replace the popcorn popper because the old one stopped working. I have kept an eye on the Dollar General grass and they seem to be keeping it mowed regularly now. As an update, I contacted Darke County Treasurer, Scott Zumbrink, regarding the property at 31 W. Water Street owned by a Tork Sohier. The property is a constant problem and I have requested the property be mowed with the cost assessed to the owner on many occasions over the years. I requested the foreclosure process begin on the property and Mr. Sohier was contacted regarding his delinquent taxes and immediately paid the Treasurer's office the required ½ of the delinquent taxes to postpone any foreclosure process. The Hometown Christmas committee is meeting to coordinate the 2018 Hometown Christmas event which will be held on Friday, November, 9th. The committee is seeking volunteers to help. Plans for the WWTP Dewatering Project have been approved by the Ohio EPA. Plant operators are currently pouring a 16'x22' pad behind the water plant under the double doors to the treatment room of the plant. The pad will allow forklift and other equipment access when necessary to the treatment area. Permanent asphalt repairs will be made along N. Center St. (King's Command) as well as two residential driveway approaches within the next week. Reminder, our 2018 Street Maintenance project is being completed by Buehler Asphalt and should begin in the next few weeks. The Woodland Dr. Project being completed by PAB Construction continues to progress and they should be finishing the sanitary sewer main from Center St. to the curve today, weather permitting. All electric components have been removed from the Poultry Days grounds with no reported issues during the festival with regard to electric service. As of last week, Milcon has finished all storm sewer installations on the N. West St. Project. The storm sewer main was extended across Baker Rd. this past Monday. The crew has currently resumed sanitary sewer installation through the new portion of West St. and is currently positioned in the curve area of the new street. The Electric Dept. completed the new underground primary power extension last week for Andy Francis at 9814 McGreevey Rd. where he is constructing a new home. Corn hole bags have been obtained for the new corn hole boards at Indian Creek. They will be placed in the small storage locker at the shuffle board/corn hole board site.

Fiscal Officer Ording reported that Chief Humphreys was able to sell some of the Police Departments old radios to the Village of Ft. Loramie for \$1,650. The State Fire Marshalls grant of \$8,474 was received and will be used to purchase protective clothing for the Fire Department. The donation of \$333,513.50 was received from Midmark Corporation for the N. West Street Extension Project. The 2019 Tax Budget is complete and will be sent in the packets for Council to review prior to the next meeting. The May Fund Report for Council and the Monthly Revenue Report was distributed to all members of Council.

Village Attorney Guillozet reported that the Darke County Board of Elections will need to make a legal determination of the two pending referendums. Contact will be made with Attorney Gerald McDonald to see what steps need to be taken by the Village as the petitions have been filed with the Board.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Planning Commission the meeting to be held on July 9th has been cancelled.
- Cemetery Board next meeting will be held July 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Under announcements, Mayor Subler asked for Fiscal Officer Ording to report the Village expenses related to the referendum filed with the Darke County Board of Elections and the associated extensive public records request. Fiscal Officer Ording reported that actual bills paid totaled \$11,475.80 with time value spent on referendum related matters at \$2,464.40 remain the same. Also, Council member Paulus said that he may not be in attendance at the July 11th meeting. Council member Dammeyer stated that he would not be at the July 11th meeting.

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

Mayor Subler adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.	
Jeffry A. Subler, Mayor	Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer