

In the absence of Mayor Subler, Council President Pro Tempore Paulus called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mrs. Custenborder, Mr. Paulus, Mr. Berger, Mr. Dammeyer, and Mrs. Gigandet. Mr. Beasley arrived late. Also present were Village Administrator Hale, Fiscal Officer Ording, Village Attorney Guillozet, and Mike Bowers from the Darke County CIC.

Village Administrator Hale requested that the agenda be amended by changing the topic of the Executive Session to consider confidential information related to the plans and business strategy of an applicant for economic development assistance. Mrs. Custenborder made a motion to approve the amendment and the consent agenda items which included approval of the following:

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from the June 28, 2017 Regular Meeting
- Approval of Payment of the List of Bills Submitted for July 12, 2017
- Approval of the 2018 Tax Budget
- Approval of the renewal of a two-year Field Clinical Agreement between Apollo Career Center EMT Basic Training Program and the Versailles EMS
- Approval of the renewal of a one-year Field Clinical Agreement between Mercer County EMT Training Academy and Versailles EMS

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

Under old business, Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to read Ordinance No. 17-15; an Ordinance adopting new Subdivision Regulations, Construction Standards, and Design Criteria for the Village of Versailles, Ohio, and declaring an emergency by title only for a third time, seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read Resolution No. 17-15 a third time, by title only. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to accept Resolution No. 17-15 as read; seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

The first item under new business was consideration of Ordinance No. 17-16; an Ordinance establishing the compensation for the Fire Department Personnel for the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency. Village Attorney Guillozet read Ordinance No. 17-16 a first time. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to have Ordinance No. 17-16 read a second and third time, by title only and declared an emergency, seconded by Mrs. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 17-16 was read by title only a second and third time. Mrs. Gigandet made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 17-16 as read, seconded by Mrs. Custenborder. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Next, members considered Resolution No. 17-17; a Resolution authorizing the Village Administrator of the Village of Versailles to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Program(s) and to execute contracts as required and declaring an emergency. Village Administrator Hale explained that the grant application is for money to be used for the N. Center Street Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement project, phase II. The application deadline to Darke County is July 17; therefore, the need for the emergency. Village Attorney Guillozet read Resolution No. 17-17; by title only a first time. Mrs. Custenborder made a motion to have Resolution No. 17-17 read a second and third time by title only and declared an emergency; seconded by Mrs. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Attorney Guillozet read Resolution No. 17-17 a second and third time by title only. Mrs. Gigandet made a motion to accept Resolution No. 17-17 as read; seconded by Mr. Berger. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

The next item was consideration of a motion approving the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Montrose Group, LLC for the purpose of creating a Downtown Redevelopment District (DRD) to allow tax incentives for building, remodeling and repair in the downtown area. Village Administrator Hale stated that the Montrose Group proposes a six step process to the Village to redevelop historic properties using DRDs including identifying and/or certifying a historic building, creating a DRD economic development plan, adopting a DRD financial model, adopting a municipal DRD ordinance following a public hearing and then filing annual reports with the Ohio Development Services Agency, and negotiating DRD agreements with building owners, school board and other funders. Village Administrator Hale stated that Greenville was looking to use the Montrose Group for their DRD. The consulting fee for the DRD Economic Development Plan would be \$15,000 with the development of the plan over a five month timeframe. After a lengthy discussion, Council requested more information be presented about the plan. Village Administrator Hale stated he would invite a member of the Montrose Group to attend a future Council meeting.

Mr. Berger made a motion to enter in Executive Session to consider confidential information related to the plans and business strategy of an applicant for economic development assistance, seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote:

all yeas. Motion carried. The Executive Session began at 7:29 p.m. and ended at 8:06 p.m. Upon returning to the regular meeting, Mr. Paulus stated that no decisions were made.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Administrator Hale distributed his Administrator's Report. Items highlighted in his report are as follows: I have been contacted by Mitch Eiting, representing Midmark, asking if we have any community project engineers could work on as a way to give back to the community. We discussed a few possibilities. I'll update council as I hear more. We have completed the sidewalk upgrade project on the east side of the parking lot behind Platty's. It's a great improvement and we will be adding a bench and some flower pots to create an even better aesthetic look. We have received a Darke County Park Grant of \$3000 to replace the Shelter House #3 roof in Ward Park. I have met with Tony Baltes and Nick Poling regarding the possibility of getting the school involved with our Channel 18 public TV station. I expressed the Village is always interested in improving channel 18 and would love to see the school get involved. Tony will be spearheading the effort and will be meeting with school officials to gauge the interest. The Darke County Health Department has provided a summary of their mosquito testing. While no mosquitoes in Darke County were found to have any infectious diseases, West Nile Virus was reported in six counties in Ohio. Franklin, Lorraine, Lucas, Montgomery, Richland, and Summit counties. A portion of the Darke County Health Department mosquito grant will provide the Village with a second GPS/GIS collection unit. This will make our second unit and allow both the Street Department and Electric Department to each have immediate access to a unit. The new kiosk supplied to the Village by the Darke County Visitors Bureau has arrived. We will be installing on the corner near the Inn where council has decided to locate it. Street Department employees are working on the old kiosk to refurbish and repaint it. The kiosk had some deteriorating trim that needed to be replaced prior to painting. The Village received a call from representatives of the Darke Solid Waste District asking if we would be interested in containers to be given out to patrons of local businesses that go outside to smoke and throw cigarette butts on the sidewalk or into the tree lawn area. The Darke Solid Waste District received a grant to purchase these pocket containers that are insulated and allow a smoker to dispose of cigarette butts in the containers as opposed to throwing them on the sidewalk. Reminder the Village is sponsoring a "Movie in the Park" night on Friday, July 21st. The movie will be free of charge and will be shown in Ward Park on a large blow up screen. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the movie. We have sold one of our old dump trucks through GovDeals.com. An online public auction service. We're expecting the truck to be picked up any day. We are still working on the scoreboard at the Indian Creek Park baseball diamond. We have discovered an electrical problem and we are having Scott's Electric take a look. They have worked on other scoreboards in the past. I have remained in contact with a representative from the Montgomery County Port Authority regarding the possibility of tax increment financing for a potential residential subdivision. The Village has received engineered drawings of a proposed electrical and street maintenance building out in the WJ Bohman Industrial Park. We are still evaluating options regarding the building of a new service building. Police Chief Humphreys June Monthly Activity Report was distributed.

Committee & Board Reports are as follows:

- Board of Zoning Appeals – met July 10th and approved a variance request from Susan Ballinger for a fence at Nature's Reflections
- Cemetery Board – next meeting July 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
- Park Board – Next meeting scheduled for July 13th at 5:15 p.m. at Indian Creek Shelter House.

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

Council President Pro Tempore Paulus adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Kent Paulus, Council President Pro Tempore

Kathy Ording, Fiscal Office