

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

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mr. Paulus, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Griesdorn, Mr. Steinbrunner, and Mr. Gigandet. Mr. Dammeyer was absent. Also present were Village Administrator Busse, Fiscal Officer Ording, and Village Attorney Guillozet. Visitors in attendance included Meladi Brewer, reporter for the Greenville Daily Advocate & Early Bird, and Mr. Jacob Larger.

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

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from the July 13, 2022 Public Hearing and July 13, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Approval of List of Expenditures for July 27, 2022

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

For the item scheduled under old business, Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Ordinance No. 22-27, an ordinance prohibiting parking on the south side of Greenlawn Avenue between North West Street and North Center Street within the Village of Versailles and proscribing the penalties for violation thereof be read by title only, a third time, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the third reading of Ordinance No. 22-27. Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept Ordinance No. 22-27, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

For the first item of new business, Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the first reading of Ordinance No. 22-25, an ordinance to rezone Lot 1040 from R-2 Single Family Residential to Planned Unit Development District classification and declaring an emergency. Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Ordinance No. 22-25 be read by title only, a second and third time and declared an emergency. Mr. Gigandet seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 22-25. Mr. Beasley made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 22-25, Mr. Gigandet seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, Ordinance No. 22-30, an ordinance authorizing the creation of the OneOhio Opioid Settlement Fund No. 238 and declaring an emergency. Fiscal Officer Ording reported that the Village has received \$864.39 as a payment of the OneOhio Distributor Settlement (McKesson, Cardinal, AmerisourceBergen). This payment is from the 30% Local Government Share and the first of 18 payments. In accordance with the guidelines provided by the State of Ohio Auditor, funds shall be placed in a separate fund and used only for the approved purposes as required by the OneOhio MOU. Future discussions will be needed to determine the best use of the funds in accordance with the purposes intended. Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Ordinance No. 22-30 be read by title only, a second and third time and declared an emergency. Mr. Beasley seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the second and third reading of Ordinance No. 22-30. Mr. Beasley made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 22-30, Mr. Gigandet seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Last for consideration was the recommendation from the Street & Safety Committee to schedule a Public Hearing to review and obtain public comments concerning prohibiting parking on the west side of South Olive Street and a portion of Hickey Avenue. Mr. Gigandet made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing for August 10, 2022 at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Mr. Paulus. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Subler then recognized Mr. Jacob Larger. Mr. Larger introduced himself as a Republican candidate for State Representative. Mr. Larger resides in New Bremen, along with his wife and three daughters. He is the Village Council President in New Bremen. He described his common-sense approach in workforce development, improving the regulations for adoption and foster care youth, and to better small business regulations. He defines himself as a proven conservative leader who believes elected officials should be accountable to the people they represent. The primary election will be August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Mayor Subler proudly announced that the Village of Versailles has been recognized as one of five honorees for Ohio Magazine's Best Hometown list. Versailles will be recognized in the Best Hometowns issue of Ohio Magazine, set to publish on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Administrator Busse distributed his Administrator's Report to members and reported on the following items: Today we received the 24-hour flow test report from Eagon for Well #6. We have forwarded the report to the Ohio EPA and have requested approval from the Ohio EPA to return Well #6 to normal service. The ban on yard watering will remain in force until Well #6 is back in service and our two water system leaks have been repaired. The Street Department made repair to a water line on W. Ward Street that was damaged by a boring contractor. We have received the report from Aqualine Leak Detection. Aqualine has indicated that they

believe we have three substantial leaks in our system. One of the leaks was a leaking valve packing and repairs have already been made. Aqualine indicated that we have a leak of approximately 14,000 gallons/day in the area of Morgan and Brandon Street and a leak of approximately 7,200 gallons/day in the area of Euclid and Greenwich Street. We have called in the utility locates and the Street Department will begin making the leak repairs as soon as staffing allows. The Street Department used the asphalt grindings from the street resurfacing project to install a new emergency use driveway to Water St. substation from Administration Building. This driveway will be used in case we need to get to the substation during an emergency event while a train is blocking the Olive Street crossing. Mr. Francis and I spent a good deal of time evaluating the used Piqua pool slide. We found that we were unable to obtain a commitment from the Ohio Department of Health that they would certify the slide for use once it was moved and reinstalled. Although the slide appeared to be in decent shape, the manufacturer is no longer in business so replacement parts, when needed, would likely need to be custom manufactured further raising the concern that the slide would not receive certification for use at a public pool. With this in mind we are recommending that Versailles not purchase the used Piqua pool slide. The Electric Department is working on relocating the power poles along Klipstine Road in preparation of the reconstruction project. Other miscellaneous electrical work being completed as time allows:

- Install U.G. service upgrade 695 Park Blvd.
- Lightning strike on 7/6/22 to system had to replace 69 Ky fuse at Water St sub.; take Cap bank out of service; bypass oil switches for Kings Lateral feed
- Repair Lights in shelter house @ Indian Creek
- Continue Exacter report repairs
- 48 N. Olive St service upgrade
- Replace damaged pole @ 10736 Reed Rd.
- Repair failed wedge clamp on service @ 522 E. Main St.
- Finished trenching Primary extension around 704 Reed Ave. (North and East sides)
- Prepped & poured street light foundations on North side of Reed Ave.
- Trenching for street lights electric services on Reed Ave.
- Pull wire, set and assemble Street Lights on Reed Ave.

On Saturday, 7/23/2022, Due to storm damage, a large portion of the AES transmission area was de-energized at approximately 10:35 AM. Our linemen responded and we were able to determine that power was out from the Russia/Covington Substations and power was still available from the Rossburg substation to Versailles. Our staff contacted AES but no AES staff was available to respond to Versailles due to the storm damage. After a couple of hours an AES service truck responded and with some communication to the AES dispatch was able to restore power to the Village from the Rossburg side at approximately 1:02 PM. Mr. Francis and I both sent emails to AES voicing our displeasure with the low priority that AES dispatch placed on getting Versailles back up. We had a meeting with AES staff on Tuesday and again voiced our concerns and displeasure with their response. AES is in the process of reviewing the event and will get back to us next week with a report. During our meeting we requested updates on the planned repairs and updates to the Covington feed. They said the Russia ring bus breaker is in process and they anticipate it being completed by the end of 2023. They said a complete rebuild of the Covington feeder will be completed by the end of 2025. Next year a planned update of the feeder from Amsterdam Road to Minster will also be completed. It was discussed that the switches that were repaired last year are still not working properly. AES stated that they plan to get third party to evaluate them to determine why they are not working properly. It was also discussed that these switches either need to be monitored and operated remotely by AES or our linemen need to be allowed to operate them at the direction of AES dispatch. This is under discussion at AES. We requested monthly meetings with AES to discuss these issues and receive regular progress updates. We have received the insurance settlement from the damage caused by the snake at the Greenlawn substation. The total loss for equipment and testing was \$27,652.71. The check will be written to Versailles for \$17,652.71 due to our \$10,000 deductible. We anticipate the replacement equipment to arrive the first week of September and we plan to get it installed asap. The repairs will be completed as soon as possible after the equipment arrives. This will require our Greenlawn Substation to off line for a couple of days while the repairs are completed. We have approximately 120 pit meters installed. We are waiting on the house transmitters to arrive. Once they arrive, we will begin installation in various neighborhoods. The City of St Marys Tax Department is set to begin processing income tax on August 1st. After August 1<sup>st</sup>, all income tax inquiries for both past and future tax returns will be handled by the St Marys Tax Department. Letters will go out to all businesses and residents shortly after informing them of the change.

Fiscal Officer Ording provided the June Financial Reports to Council members.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Finance & Audit Committee – met prior to the meeting for the review of the Hourly Employee Compensation Program. A recommendation from the Finance & Audit Committee is for legislation to be created for an amendment to the 2022 Employee Hourly Compensation Step & Grade Schedule for the Utilities Account Clerk. Mr. Paulus made a motion to approve the amendment to the Step &

Grade Schedule and for legislation to be created, seconded by Mr. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

- Street & Safety – meeting August 2, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to review a draft a revised proposed ordinance regulating the operation of ATV, side by side, and UTV vehicles in the Village.
- Planning Commission – meeting August 1, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
- Cemetery Board – meeting August 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

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

Mayor Subler adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

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Jeffry A. Subler, Mayor

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Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer