Versailles Village Council Meeting Held at EMS Facility

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

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mr. Paulus, Mr. Dammeyer, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Griesdorn, Mr. Steinbrunner, and Mr. Gigandet. Also present were Village Administrator Busse, Fiscal Officer Ording, Assistant Village Administrator Francis, and Village Attorney Guillozet. Guests in attendance were Mr. Aaron Moran, Versailles Schools Superintendent, Mr. Scott Langston, and Meladi Brewer, reporter for the Greenville Daily Advocate & Early Bird.

Mayor Subler requested that the agenda be amended to add two items under new business. Item 6. E. Consideration of a motion to schedule a Public Hearing on September 28, 2022 at 6:50 p.m. to review a CRA application for Kings Command and item 6. F. Discussion of an electric extension at the request of Midmark Corporation. He also requested that item 7.B. To consider the employment of a public employee be added to the executive session.

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

- Approval of the amended Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from the August 24, 2022 Public Hearing and August 24, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Approval of List of Expenditures for September 14, 2022
- Consideration of a motion to accept the Village's apportionment of the Local Government monies for 2023 as allocated by the Darke County Budget Commission.
- Approval of Change Order No. 1 decreasing the contract with Durst Bros. Excavating by \$8,138.48 in connection with the Homer Street Pump Station Replacement Project.

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

Scheduled for public discussion was the designation of the date and time for Halloween Trick or Treat in the Village of Versailles. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to designate Sunday, October 30th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. as Trick or Treat in Versailles; seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Subler then presented a proclamation, recognizing the week of September 17th through the 23rd as Constitution Week.

Next, Assistant Village Administrator Francis proposed and requested a public Open-House & Touch-A-Truck Event at the Municipal Services Building located at 834 Jackson Street. The event would be held on Sunday, October 9th from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The timing of the event is in conjunction with Public Power Week which recognizes cities and towns across the country working together to provide reliable electricity, service, and prompt restoration. Mr. Francis said the open house would provide the public a chance to tour the Village's newest facility, which houses the Street Department and Electric Department. He went on to say that Village employees would be on hand to demonstrate pole climbing, equipment use, and display protective clothing required for the job. Kids will have the opportunity to try on clothing and sit in the cab of electric trucks, dump trucks, and other equipment. Light refreshments and cookies will be served. Council members expressed their support of the event and approved expenses for refreshments, materials, and supplies.

Moving on to old business, Mr. Paulus made a motion for Village Attorney Guillozet to read by title only, the third reading of Resolution No. 22-32, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose, seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Resolution No. 22-32 was read by title only, the third reading. Mr. Paulus made a motion to accept Resolution No. 22-32, seconded by Mr. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Attorney Guillozet then read by title only, the second reading of Resolution No. 22-35, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose.

For the first item of new business, Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the first reading of Resolution No. 22-37, a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor, and declaring an emergency. Village Fiscal Officer Ording explained this resolution, prepared by the county, provides an estimate of revenues for rates of tax to be levied in the Versailles Corporation in 2023. This is an annual resolution that Council considers and it must be approved by October 1st. Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Resolution No. 22-37 be read by title only a second and third time and declared an emergency; seconded by Mr. Dammeyer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Attorney Guillozet then read resolution No. 22-37 by title only a second and third time. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to accept Resolution No. 22-37 as read; seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Attorney Guillozet read the first reading, by title only, Ordinance No. 22-38, an ordinance to amend Section 1110 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Versailles.

Council members then considered a written recommendation from the Planning Commission to accept the vacation of Subler Street and for legislation to be prepared. Village Administrator Busse said that the Planning Commission based their recommendation after reviewing survey plats completed by Choice One Engineering proposing the vacation of the undeveloped Subler Street and the replatting of the lots owned by Todd Subler. Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission to vacate Subler Street and for preparation of legislation, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Next, discussion was held concerning amending the property maintenance ordinance. Mr. Busse explained that the ordinance currently states that notices to property owners in violation of maintenance to their property are to be delivered by certified mail. It has become an issue where violators are not accepting the certified mail, thus, the required notice is not being received. Village Attorney Guillozet recommended that the ordinance be amended to include personal delivery/service of notice or certified mail. Mr. Paulus made a motion for the property maintenance ordinance be amended to include personal delivery/service of notice or certified mail, seconded by Mr. Griesdorn. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Administrator Busse stated a CRA application has been received by Kings Command. He requests that a Public Hearing be held on September 28, 2022 at 6:50 p.m. to review the application. Mr. Gigandet made a motion to schedule the Public Hearing on September 28, 2022 at 6:50 p.m. to review the application, seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

For the last item of new business, Assistant Village Administrator Francis presented a request from Midmark Corporation for an electric extension from Jackson Street/Progress Way north to the Village's under-build on the AES transmission line near the Indian Creek Park ball diamond. This project would complete a loop for electric supply between the normal position Circuit #8 that feeds power to the most recent expansion of the north end of Plant B to Circuit #5 at the under-build to the north. He explained that this request came after a car accident involving a motorist striking a Village pole out of town on SR 47, knocking power out to the north Midmark Plant B service. This service supplies power to nearly all of Midmark's air compressors that supply air for automation, production, etc. to both Plant B and Plant A. Power was out for approximately 1-1.5 hours in which all production at Midmark stopped. This event sold the necessity of the loop to the Midmark Board. The proposed loop to the north would allow for faster electric restoration to Midmark Plant B facility in the event of another outage. Due to the current Village Electric Department workload and prior commitments, the work will need to be contracted out. The total anticipated cost for the project is \$163,404.13. The cost would be 100% at Midmark's expense as there are no added load as part of this project, thus, there is no payback as required by Village ordinance. Mr. Francis stated that Midmark officials have approved the project and would like to have the work completed and they be invoiced by the end of this year. Based on current material lead times, the work will likely not be completed by the end of 2022, but rather sometime late January or February. Mr. Francis stated that if Council members approve the project, an Agreement of Understanding for this extension will be prepared documenting all costs and terms between the Village and Midmark. Mr. Francis said this project should be viewed as economic development for the Village as it is a benefit to Midmark and in addition, it allows for potential future expansions. Mr. Paulus made a motion to allow Assistant Village Administrator Francis to move forward with the Midmark electric expansion project, seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

With all scheduled new business completed, Mayor Subler recognized guests in attendance. Mr. Langston informed Council members that the retaining wall along his business property located at 308 N West Street was just struck by a semi. He stated this was the fourth time in the last 3+ years that he has had this happen. Fortunately, this time the semi driver was caught and cited for the damage. Previous culprits were not caught and he had to turn in damages to his insurance, forcing him to pay out of pocket deductibles. Mr. Langston further stated that the retention wall was erected when improvements were made to the intersection. He requested that the wall be removed or for help in keeping motorists from hitting it. Assistant Village Administrator Francis will meet with him to discuss options to eliminate this from happening again.

School Superintendent Moran reported that the new school year is off to a great start. All fall athletic teams are doing very well and hopes are for a deep tournament run. The band will host its annual show competition on October 8th. He said that State report cards are due to come out and he anticipates Versailles to continue its ranking in the top ten. Additionally, he updated Council members on the new addition to the school. The addition will provide much needed space for the FFA and Music Department. The multi-purpose center will include an indoor track with a turf in-field. The facility will allow the students to maintain activities during the winter months. The project will hopefully begin in December or January and take 12-13 months to complete.

With all new business complete, Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to enter into Executive Session to consider the sale of public property and to consider the employment of a public employee; seconded by Mr. Gigandet. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Members entered Executive Session at 7:39 p.m. The Executive Session ended at

8:31 p.m. Upon coming out of Executive Session Mr. Paulus made a motion to authorize the Village Administrator to make an offer to a candidate for employment; seconded by Mr. Beasley. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Mayor Subler reported that the Police Department is temporarily down by 2 officers due to medical issues. Chief Bolin has been working with the schedule to fill the gaps.

Administrator Busse distributed his Administrator's Report to members and reported on the following items: as an update on the Wellfield Development project, the 2-hour step test and the 72-hour pumping test for well #13 was conducted the week of August 29th. Eagon and Associates first conducted the 2-hour step test on Monday. Upon reviewing the results of the step test Eagon recommended that the 72-hour flow test be performed at a rate of 600 GPM. The 72-hour flow test was preformed and the static levels of several area wells were monitored. Favorable results were obtained during the test. Graphs of the drawdown and recovery have been provided to council members for review. These graphs will be provided to the property owners later this week. Eagon and Associates is preparing a report for the Ohio EPA covering the test results of both Well #12 and Well #13. The Street Department is installing the new 8-inch water main on Franklin Street south of Reed Avenue in preparation of the street reconstruction. The Street Department has installed the no parking signs on the South side of Greenlawn Avenue. The Electric Department has repaired the reclosure at the Greenlawn Avenue substation which was damaged when the snake shorted across the electric phases this spring. The 2007 International bucket truck sold on Gov Deals for \$35,600.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Street & Safety Chairman Dammeyer reported that traffic monitors have been placed along S. Olive Street. A meeting will be scheduled to review the results along with continued review of the UTV policy.
- Planning Commission met September 6th to review a request to modify the Edgewood at Versailles PUD to allow for a slightly larger floorplan. Jem's Homes are in the process of updating the PUD site plan and it will be presented to the Commission at a future meeting.
- Cemetery Board meeting September 20, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.
- Park Board met August 30th and discussed the pool pump repairs. Tyler Philpot was in attendance to discuss proposed upgrades to the Indian Creek ball diamond dugouts.
- Tree Commission met August 31st. New member Pat Gigandet was sworn in. They reviewed the recent tree removals and discussed the tree bidding process for 2022. Bids are currently being obtained for the 2022 tree lottery and for 20 tree replacements for Grand Avenue and Woodland Drive

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 9:32 p.m		
Jeffry A. Subler, Mayor	Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer	-