

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

Roll call found the following Council Members present: Mr. Paulus, Mr. Griesdorn, Mr. Steinbrunner, Mrs. Dieringer, Ms. Shaffer, and Mr. Weaver. Also present were Village Administrator Francis, Fiscal Officer Ording, Village Attorney Tom Guillozet and Fire/EMS Chief Pearson.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation was led by Mayor Dammeyer.

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

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from the December 11, 2024 Regular Meeting
- Approval of List of Expenditures for December 18, 2024

Mrs. Dieringer seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas.

For the first item of old business, Mr. Paulus made a motion to have Resolution No. 24-58, a resolution authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment not needed for any municipal purpose be read by title only, the third reading, seconded by Ms. Shaffer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Village Attorney Guillozet read Resolution No. 24-58 a third and final time by title only. Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to accept Resolution No. 24-58 as read, seconded by Mr. Weaver. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the second reading of Ordinance No. 24-64, an ordinance adopting a new shade tree ordinance for the Village of Versailles.

Moving on to new business, Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the first reading of Ordinance No. 24-65, an ordinance establishing the compensation for the Emergency Medical Services Personnel for the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency. Mr. Paulus made a motion to declare the ordinance an emergency measure, suspend the rules, and have it read by title only for the second and third readings, seconded by Mrs. Dieringer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 24-65 was read by Attorney Guillozet a second and third time, by title only. Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-65, as read, seconded by Mr. Weaver. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Next, Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the first reading of Ordinance No. 24-66, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 23-81, the 2024 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency. Mr. Paulus made a motion to declare the ordinance an emergency measure, suspend the rules, and have it read by title only for the second and third readings, seconded by Mrs. Dieringer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 24-66 was read by Attorney Guillozet a second and third time, by title only. Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-66, as read, seconded by Mrs. Dieringer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Read by title only for the first reading was Ordinance No. 24-67, an ordinance providing for the Annual Appropriations for 2025, and declaring an emergency. Mr. Paulus made a motion to declare the ordinance an emergency measure, suspend the rules, and have it read by title only for the second and third readings, seconded by Mrs. Dieringer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 24-67 was read by Attorney Guillozet a second and third time, by title only. Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-67 as read, seconded by Mr. Weaver. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Village Attorney Guillozet read by title only, the first reading of Ordinance No. 24-68, an ordinance authorizing the transfer of funds to various funds as provided in the 2025 Annual Appropriations Ordinance, and declaring an emergency. Mr. Paulus made a motion to declare the ordinance an emergency measure, suspend the rules, and have it read by title only for the second and third reading, seconded by Mrs. Dieringer. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried. Ordinance No. 24-68 was read by Attorney Guillozet a second and third time, by title only. Mr. Steinbrunner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-68 as read, seconded by Mr. Weaver. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Next for consideration was consideration of a written recommendation from the Planning Commission to zone a recently annexed property totaling 6.467 acres of land for R-1 Residential District and to schedule a Public Hearing to present the recommendation. Mr. Griesdorn made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning Commission to zone the recently annexed property and set a Public Hearing for February 12, 2025 at 6:50 p.m. Ms. Shaffer second the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

For the last item of new business, Ms. Shaffer made a motion to extend the property lease agreement between American Municipal Power, Inc. (AMP) and the Village of Versailles for the Ohio Municipal Electric Generation Agency (OMEGA) Joint Venture 2 (JV2) for the diesel generating units to December 21, 2025, seconded by Mr. Steinbrunner. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Moving on to Administrative Reports, Mayor Dammeyer reported that the Standing Committee members for 2025 will remain the same as is. He also reported that an Ad Hoc committee will be created for the emergency services of fire and EMS. He will be making the appointments of council members Mr. Griesdorn, Mrs. Dieringer, and Ms. Shaffer to set on the committee. The committee is being formed to review and plan future needs of the departments.

Village Administrator Francis distributed his Village Administrator's Report to members and reported on the following items: SCADA PLC replacement work is winding down at the water treatment plant with Electro Controls. All PLC's have been replaced and updated now at the plant. We are working out a few small programming matters, but should be in good shape for a number of years going forward. I attended the AMP Board of Trustees meeting on December 11, 2024 in person and virtually the morning of 12/12/2024. Leaf collection has finished for the season as of 12/13. Street personnel are working on sanitary sewer main cleaning currently with the warmer temperatures in the North Central area of the Village. Groff Mowing & Lawncare have installed the new shrubs and landscaping at the Second St. Parking Lot entrance islands. Street personnel removed the landscaping area near the handicapped spaces in the Second St. parking lot to gain length to the parking stall with concrete being poured yesterday to widen the pedestrian walkway area. The parking stall end will be filled in with asphalt cold patch very soon with permanent asphalt installed in the spring when the asphalt plants reopen. The failed VFD at the WWTP oxidation ditch has been replaced by Kahle Technologies as of last week with the mixer motor now back in normal operation. No treatment issues were experienced with this mixer motor VFD failing as there are two mixers on the oxidation ditch. I attended the Darke County CIC meeting on 12/18. The CIC voted to move forward with county-wide MVRPC enrollment for another 3-year term which is very good news for the Village and the county in being able to apply and seek assistance for various transportation improvement projects going forward. Tom Guillozet provided a draft replacement zoning code text. I am currently working on an in-house review of the new code with hearings and meetings to further with discussion forthcoming in 2025. In the first quarter of 2025 I intend to start exploring and moving forward with what is needed to leverage our Downtown Revitalization District (DRD) to obtain additional liquor licenses for our downtown business district area. In early research, it appears that two additional liquor licenses can be obtained with our DRD. These licenses come with strings attached in that a minimum of 75% of the total sales of the establishment must be from non-alcohol sales. The Village would not own these licenses, but rather the prospective business would need to apply to the Village to obtain them with the Village then reviewing and submitting the application request to the State of Ohio Liquor Control. An application process would need to be established by the Village. This effort is being driven by trying to make our downtown area more inviting for prospective food establishments. We will be working soon with Landmark GIS once again to

update our electric system GIS mapping system. It has been a few years since Landmark GIS has been in town collecting GPS data to update our mapping. This project was included in the 2024 CIP. In addition, they are working with us on updating our water system mapping to pull into already collected GPS and AutoCAD drawings into a GIS system that is more user friendly and real-time. The water system GIS mapping was also included as part of the 2024 CIP. We will be placing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for professional electrical engineering services for planning, design, and bidding of the McGreevey Rd. Substation project which will be the Village's third electric substation. Sawvel & Associates has assisted us in preparing the legal ad and scope for the project.

Committee and Board reports were as follows:

- Street & Safety – a meeting will be scheduled in January

Mayor Dammeyer wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

With no further business to conduct, Ms. Shaffer made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Steinbrunner seconded the motion. Vote: all yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Dammeyer adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

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Todd M. Dammeyer, Mayor

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Kathy Ording, Fiscal Officer