2019 Municipal Activities Report

The Village of Versailles enjoyed continuous growth in the Village's Bicentennial year of 2019. A major contributor to the positive growth



was the completion of the 50-acre Rosecomb Subdivision. This new subdivision was officially annexed into the Village on September 25, 2019 and already has new homes in the construction

phase.

Additionally, land was subdivided in the Chateau Subdivision to allow for the building of two-unit condominiums on Reed Avenue. Two of those condominiums have been completed with a third currently under construction.

Midmark continues the construction of a \$25 million-dollar Research & Development facility with the expected creation of approximately 100 new high-tech jobs. The project is scheduled to be completed in 2020.



The Mayor and Village Council provided needed expansion opportunities for Village municipal employees by purchasing the 29,000



sq. ft. Anheuser Busch distribution building located at 834 Jackson Street. The purchase of this building for \$1,050,000 paves the way for centralizing Village

equipment and creating a more efficient work environment for employees. Previously the Village had equipment and parts inventory stored in multiple facilities throughout the Village. Consolidating storage locations and providing improved facilities for Street and Electric Department employees has been a long-time goal of the Village Council with multiple plans and locations for constructing a building being considered but all being cost prohibitive at nearly two and a half times

the cost of the Anheuser Busch distribution building. This facility should provide Village employees with the necessary space to operate efficiently for



decades to come.

With many Bicentennial events during the year 2019, none surpassed the celebration held on September 14th in Heritage Park. In addition to the spectacular fireworks display the unveiling of the new



amphitheater added to the pride citizens already held for Heritage Park. The amphitheater was made possible by public donations along with funding and leadership of

the You Only Live Once (YOLO) organization that provided the vision for the project. As a final Bicentennial event, members of the Bicentennial Committee along with local citizens and elected officials met in Ward Park on December 20th to bury a time capsule to be opened in the year 2069 which will be the Village's 250th anniversary.

The Village was fortunate to receive grant dollars from the State of Ohio's NATURWORKS grant program to resurface the Ward Park tennis/pickleball courts in 2020. This grant was in the amount of \$28,611.

While 2019 was a great year for the Village of Versailles in many ways, the events of Tuesday, October 6th will remain in the memory of residents for years to come. On that evening a four-alarm fire at the

historic Inn at Versailles caused damage that will leave the Inn closed indefinitely. While plans are being discussed in regards to rebuilding the Inn, residents and visitors are without a business that is a symbol and mainstay of the Village.

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- The Tree Commission received a new member when Paula Darnell was sworn in on April 9th to take the place of Ginger Magoto.
- II. Tree Commission member Carl Moorman was provided a plaque for special recognition by the Tree Commission for his 20 years of service as a Village of Versailles Tree Commission member.
- Maintaining its Tree City USA status in 2019 the Village has been named a Tree City USA member for 21 consecutive years. The Shade Tree Commission planted a Green Spire Linden tree on Second Street in celebration of National Arbor Day and approved the purchase of 11 trees in November to be planted in many areas of the Village. Additionally, on April, 9th ten property owners were selected to receive free trees in the Village's annual Tree Lottery.
- **IV.** The Versailles EMS Department took possession of a 2019 Braun Chief XL Ambulance that replaced a 2004 ambulance. The cost for the new ambulance was \$215,000.
- V. The Village worked with the Poultry Days, Versailles Alumni Association, and Hometown Christmas Committees to complete successful festivals in 2019.
- **VI.** A ribbon cutting was held in October for the new business Antoinette's Bridal Boutique.
- **VII.** During 2019, forty-one zoning permits were issued for new home construction, remodeling, accessory buildings, fences, and signs.
- VIII. During 2019, the Village of Versailles received a total of \$58,032.50 in grant monies.
- IX. Income Tax Administrator, Marie Rose, reported a total of \$2,434,190.26 in municipal income taxes were collected in 2019.
- X. The Fire Department reported a total of 183 emergency runs during 2019, with the dollar amount of damage yet to be determined as of January, 2020.
- XI. The Emergency Medical Services Department reported a total of 338 emergency runs during 2019.
- XII. The Police Department reported a total of 2952 calls for service throughout 2019.

- XIII. During 2019, Ward and Indian Creek Parks continued to provide recreational opportunities for Village residents of the surrounding area. A total of 23 reservations were reported for the use of park shelter houses.
- XIV. The Village's Greenlawn Cemetery reported a total of 24 burials throughout 2019.
- **XV.** The Village's Swimming Pool reported a total of 160 season passes being purchased during 2019.
- **XVI.** The Versailles Water Department treated 476,000 gallons of water per day for a total treatment of 173,797,000 gallons of water in 2019.

The following represents the major, legislative, executive, and administrative activities undertaken in 2019:

- 1. On January 16th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-02, authorizing the continuation of a one-half percent (1/2%) additional levy on income for a period of five years for street reconstruction and major repair purposes, consisting of storm drainage improvements, sanitary sewer improvements, waterline improvements, and street maintenance, and declaring an emergency.
- 2. Also, on January 16th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-03, specifying a date of election for a continuation of an additional one-half percent (1/2%) levy on income for street reconstruction and major repair purposes for a period of five years commencing January 1, 2020, and directing the Board of Elections to conduction said election, and declaring an emergency.
- 3. On February 13th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-01, authorizing the rezoning of the properties located at 706 East Main Street, 732 East Main Street and 45 Maple Street, all within the Village of Versailles, Ohio to B-1 Classification and declaring an emergency.
- 4. Council also adopted Ordinance No. 19-04 on February 13th, approving, adopting and enacting the 2019 edition of the Model Ohio Municipal Code Administrative Code, as revised through August 2, 2018, published by American Legal Publishing for the Village of Versailles, Ohio; repealing ordinances and resolutions in conflict therewith; publishing the enactment of new matter; and declaring an emergency.
- 5. Again, on February 13th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-05, approving, adopting and enacting the 2019 edition of the Ohio Municipal Code Traffic Code as revised through August 2, 2018, published by American Legal Publishing for the Village of Versailles, Ohio; repealing ordinances and resolutions in conflict therewith; publishing the enactment of new matter; and declaring an emergency.
- 6. On February 13th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-06, approving, adopting and enacting the 2019 edition of the Ohio Municipal Code General Offences Code, as revised through August 2, 2018, published by American Legal Publishing for the Village of Versailles, Ohio; repealing ordinances and resolutions in conflict therewith; publishing the enactment of new matter; and declaring an emergency.
- 7. Council also adopted Resolution No. 19-07 on February 13th, approving a new job description for the position of Street Foreman for the Village of Versailles and declaring an emergency.

- 8. Again, on February 13th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-08, revising and adopting an updated hourly compensation table for the Village of Versailles and declaring an emergency.
- 9. Finally, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-09 on February 13th, authorizing the Village's participation in the Treasurer of Ohio's Market Access Program; authorizing the preparation and filing of an application for that program and the execution and delivery of a standby note purchase agreement with the Treasurer, and other necessary and appropriate documents, and declaring an emergency.
- 10. On February 27th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-10, enacting revisions to the Village of Versailles Personnel Policy Manual and declaring an emergency.
- 11. Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-12 on March 13th, approving a contract for employment between the Village of Versailles, Ohio, and Kyle R. Francis, as Village Utilities Superintendent for the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 12. Also, on March 13th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-13, authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a contract with the Houston Joint Ambulance District, Shelby County Ohio to provide Emergency Medical Services and declaring an emergency.
- 13. On March 27th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-11, authorizing the expenditure of funds for various activities and events conducted for and on behalf of the Village.
- 14. Also, on March 27th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-14, adopting a new Shade Tree Ordinance for the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 15. Council also adopted Resolution No. 19-15 on March 27th, declaring the necessity of the purchase of a new Emergency Medical Services vehicle and declaring an emergency.
- 16. Finally, on March 27th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-16, authorizing the issuance of \$209,550.19 of bonds for the purpose of paying part of the cost of acquiring a new EMS vehicle, and declaring an emergency.
- 17. On April 10th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-18, authorizing participation in the ODOT Road Salt Contracts awarded in 2019 and declaring an emergency.
- 18. Also, on April 10th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-19, amending Ordinance No. 18-63 The 2019 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 19. Council adopted Resolution No. 19-20 on April 24th, authorizing the transfer of funds from the Emergency Medical Services Fund to the Ambulance Bond Retirement Fund and declaring an emergency.
- 20. Also, on April 24th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-21, vacating an alley between a 0.344-acre tract of land, lot 582 of J. Shappie's addition and lots 666 and 667 of Hole's addition to the Village of Versailles and declaring an emergency.
- 21. On May 8th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-17, adopting the Darke County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation 5-Year Plan Update.

- 22. Again, on May 8th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-22, accepting the annexation plat of 50.535 acres, more or less, to the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 23. On May 22nd, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-23, authorizing the Village Administrator to file a grant application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources NatureWorks Program and declaring an emergency.
- 24. Council adopted Resolution No. 19-24 on June 26th, authorizing the sale of certain vehicles and equipment needed for any municipal purpose.
- 25. Also, on June 26th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-25, updating compensation for part time hourly Emergency Medical Services personnel for the Ville of Versailles, Ohio.
- 26. On July 10th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-27, adopting adjusted rates, terms and conditions for Water and Sanitary Services provided by the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 27. Again, on July 10th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-31, enacting revisions to the Village of Versailles Personnel Policy Manual and declaring an emergency.
- 28. On July 24th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-26, rezoning a 1.483-acre tract of land located along Marker Road within the Village of Versailles, Ohio from R-1 to B-1 classification.
- 29. Council also adopted Ordinance No. 19-28 on July 24th, amending the Community Reinvestment Area Agreement hereinbefore executed between the Village of Versailles, Ohio and American Prepared Foods, LLC.
- 30. Again, on July 24th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-32, approving an agreement between the Village of Versailles and the Community Improvement Corporation, Inc. of Versailles, Darke County, Ohio in regard to real estate no longer needed for any municipal purposes and declaring an emergency.
- 31. Finally, on July 24th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-33, authorizing the Village Administrator of the Village of Versailles, Ohio 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.
- 32. Council adopted Resolution No. 19-29 on August 14th, estimating the amount of active Village monies and setting the date of a meeting for designation of a depository or depositories for these funds.
- 33. Also, on August 14th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-30, estimating the amount of interim Village monies and setting the date of a meeting for designation of a depository or depositories for these funds.
- 34. Council also adopted Ordinance No. 19-34 on August 14th, authorizing the purchase of real estate located within the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 35. Finally, on August 14th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-35, authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into an amended contract with the Houston Joint

- Ambulance District, Shelby County, Ohio to provide Emergency Medical Services and declaring an emergency.
- 36. On August 28th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-36, authorizing the Village of Versailles Membership with the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission and declaring an emergency.
- 37. On September 11th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-37, 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.
- 38. Council also adopted Resolution No. 19-39 on September 11th, approving a new job description for the position of Utilities Craftsman for the Village of Versailles and declaring an emergency.
- 39. Again, on September 11th, Council approved Ordinance No. 19-40, revising and adopting an updated hourly employee's compensation table for the Village of Versailles and declaring an emergency.
- 40. Finally, on September 11th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-41, amending Ordinance No. 18-63 The 2019 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 41. On September 25th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-42, accepting the annexation of 50.535 acres, more or less, owned by Rapid Real Estate, LLC, Douglas Schmitmeyer, David L. Schmitz and Cristine Schmitz into the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 42. Also, on September 25th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-43, establishing the zoning classification for a 50.535-acre tract of land located along Klipstine Road and declaring an emergency.
- 43. Council also adopted Ordinance No. 19-44 on September 25th, providing and Administrative Chargeback Fee to be paid by the Versailles Utilities Departments (Enterprise Funds) to the Village of Versailles (General Fund) and declaring an emergency.
- 44. Finally, on September 25th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-45, amending Ordinance No. 18-63 The 2019 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 45. On October 9th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-38, revising the rates for eh collection of refuse within the Village of Versailles, Ohio.
- 46. Again, on October 9th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-49, authorizing the Village Administrator of the Village of Versailles, Ohio 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.
- 47. On October 23rd, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-56, amending Ordinance No. 18-63 The 2019 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 48. Council adopted Resolution No. 19-46 on November 13th, designating public depositories and awarding active public monies.
- 49. Also, on November 13th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-47, designating public depositories and awarding public monies for interim deposits.

- 50. Again, on November 13th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-48, amending the Community Reinvestment Area Agreement hereinbefore executed between the Village of Versailles, Ohio and Midmark Corporation.
- 51. Finally, on November 13th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-57, approving an updated Emergency Operations Plan for the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 52. On November 26th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-50, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a contract with York Township for fire protection.
- 53. Council also adopted Resolution No. 19-51 on November 26th, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a contract with Richland Township for fire protection.
- 54. Again, on November 26th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-52, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a contract with Wayne Township for fire protection.
- 55. Council also adopted Resolution No. 19-53 on November 26th, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a contract with Wayne Township for Emergency Medical Services.
- 56. On November 26th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-54, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a contract with The Village of Russia, Ohio, Shelby County, Ohio for Emergency Medical Services.
- 57. Also, on November 26th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-5, authorizing the execution of the 2020-2024 Fixed Volume Energy Supply Schedule with American Municipal Power, Inc. ("AMP").
- 58. Finally, on November 26th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-59, amending Ordinance No. 18-63 The 2019 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 59. On December 11th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-60, establishing the salary and benefits for the Utilities Administrative Assistant, and declaring an emergency.
- 60. Council also adopted Ordinance No. 19-61 on December 11th, establishing the salary and benefits for the Police Chief, and declaring an emergency.
- 61. Again, on December 11th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-62, approving a contact for employment between the Village of Versailles, Ohio, and Kathy Ording, as Village Fiscal Officer for the Village of Versailles, Ohio and declaring an emergency.
- 62. On December 11th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-63, establishing the salary and benefits for the Emergency Medical Services Department Administrator/Paramedic, and declaring an emergency.
- 63. Also, on December 11th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-64, setting the pay schedule and benefits for the Income Tax Collection Administrator/Administrative Assistant, and declaring an emergency.
- 64. Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-65 on December 11th, establishing an updated Hourly Employees Compensation Program for the Village of Versailles, and declaring an emergency.

- 65. Likewise, on December 11th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-67, authorizing the Mayor and Fiscal Officer to enter into a mutual aid agreement with the Ohio Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network and declaring an emergency.
- 66. On December 11th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-68, amending Ordinance No. 18-63, the 2019 Annual Appropriation Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 67. Finally, on December 11th, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-69, authorizing the Village of Versailles to authorize the investment of interim deposits with the State of Ohio Star Program and declaring an emergency.
- 68. Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-58 on December 18th, adopting a new Shade Tree Ordinance for the Village of Versailles.
- 69. Also, on December 18th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-70, providing for the Annual Appropriations for 2020, and declaring an emergency.
- 70. Again, on December 18th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-71, authorizing the transfer of funds as provided in the 2020 Annual Appropriations Ordinance, and declaring an emergency.
- 71. Council also adopted Ordinance No. 19-72 on December 18th, approving an agreement between the Village of Versailles and the Community Improvement Corporation, Inc. of Versailles, Darke County, Ohio in regard to real estate no longer needed for any Municipal purposes and declaring an emergency.
- 72. Again, on December 18th, Council adopted Ordinance No. 19-73, accepting the infrastructure improvements completed in conjunction with Section 1 of Rosecomb Estates Subdivision and declaring an emergency.
- 73. Finally, Council adopted Resolution No. 19-74 on December 18th, authorizing the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer of the Village of Versailles to enter into a revised amended contract with the Houston Joint Ambulance, Shelby County Ohio to provide Emergency Medical Services and declaring an emergency.

2019 was a great time to enjoy activities in the Village of Versailles. The Bicentennial Celebration provided fun and memories to last a lifetime. As we move into 2020, we want to continue to push forward to create growth opportunities and lifestyle amenities to keep Versailles a great place to live. As always PEOPLE-PRIDE-PROGRESS is more than just a motto in the Versailles community; it is a way of life. We look forward to a successful 2020.