

January 9, 2020

Be it remembered that the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting on January 9, 2020. All council members and attorney Lynn Flederman were present. The pledge was recited, minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. 2020 officer elections were held. Roxanne Meyer was elected council President, Josh Combs was elected Vice-President.

Superintendent Kevin Hensley reported that the hydraulic pump on the leaf machine has been replaced. A pump was repaired at the sewer plant. Christmas decorations have been taken down, and the water tower was repaired.

Marshal Joe Mann updated the council on ordinance violations. Some of the properties have been cleaned up, however, several warnings were issued to those that are still not in compliance. Marshal Mann has drafted an appreciation letter to be sent to those that have cleaned up their properties. The council asked attorney Flederman what steps must be taken if a complaint is filed about a property. Attorney Flederman advised that a property must be deemed a public health and safety issue to warrant an inspection. If the property is inspected and deemed a public health hazard the town can take further action. Lynn recommended hiring an independent contractor to perform the inspections.

Attorney Flederman presented resolution #2020-01 permitting the Clerk-Treasurer to pay credit card bills before approval by the council to avoid paying late fees. The resolution passed 3-0. Lynn informed the council that Larry has not received a response from the DNR, but some improvements have been made. Roxanne requested another letter be sent to ask for detailed information on the improvements. Lynn will send a letter and request a meeting to discuss the matter in person. Steve asked attorney Flederman to clarify what the town pays for legal counsel. Legal fees are billed at an hourly rate, which the town and Lynn all agreed to.

Roxanne Meyer presented the 2020 community crossings grant, the council voted unanimously to accept the grant. The contract from Dunlap for HVAC maintenance was accepted. The council discussed financing options for the water project. A bond anticipation note would have to be paid annually for five years, at which point a bond could be obtained. The council will further review options.

Salary ordinance 2020-01 was approved unanimously.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Attest: _____

Kiersten B. Libby, Clerk-Treasurer

Council President, Roxanne Meyer

Council Member, Josh Combs

Council Member, Steve Mathes