April 11, 2023

On April 11, 2023, the Versailles town council met for their regular monthly meeting. All council members and attorney Lynn Fledderman were in attendance. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Mark Barnes appeared before the council to share his interest in starting a program to teach kids about RC cars. Roxanne suggested he reach out to the Ripley County Community Foundation.

Pete Halcomb appeared before the council to voice his concerns over the accumulation of belongings in an alley way. Roxanne took his information to pass along to Doug Rump, code enforcement, who will follow up with the concern.

Ben Sieverding reported that the Fire Department has responded to 156 calls so far in 2023, including 55 in March. Indiana Fire & Public Safety has named Versailles a Hub site for training and will receive funding for the training tower maintenance. Ben also reported that the Fire Department is struggling with funding issues. Council agreed to put a letter in the next water bill requesting help. They also suggested an article in the newspaper.

Department reports were received prior to the meeting and were read and reviewed by council. Items on the consent agenda were accepted.

The Mission Adventure race was discussed. They still have not provided the requested indemnification to be able to proceed.

Air Waves Network LLC has been in contact with Roxanne. He has been asked to provide a detailed plan for the council to review.

There are still discussions being held between the town and the county regarding an agreement to sign the clock tower on the courthouse over to the county.

Sarah submitted a plan to the council to reduce the town's cost of internet and phone service. The plan includes switching to Great Plains Communications where available, REMC at the sewer plant, and eliminating unnecessary lines of service. Council unanimously approved the plan.

Duke Energy will be updating streetlights in town to LED.

Holly has been working with Duke and the county to try to bring an EV charging station to Versailles through a Duke Grant. Council agreed that she could continue discussions.

Josh reported that the Versailles/Osgood Rec Ball Program has approximately 230 participants this year.

With no further business coming before the council, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Attest: _

Sarah Bauman, Clerk-Treasurer

Roxanne Meyer. Council President

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Mike Daugherty, Council member