

May 12, 2026

On May 12, 2026, the Versailles Town Council met for their regular monthly meeting. All Council members were in attendance. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Mel Quick with Lochmueller Group was in attendance just to observe.

Keith Swinney was present to request the use of the Pavilion on Tuesdays for Bible Study. Council agreed that he could use it for one Tuesday on June 2nd but could not reserve it for every Tuesday. He also requested permission to hold a concert including Ashton Shepard and the Keith Swinney Band on the pavilion on August 29th.

Ben Sieverding presented the fire department report. He noted 42 calls in April and 229 calls so far in 2026. He also mentioned that there would be a county wide drill on the town square on May 16th.

MaryAnn Gay attended to request that the town crew stop burning limbs at the water plant. She also asked about the trail that will be close to her property line. Roxanne reassured her that the trail will be a considerable distance from her property line.

William Gay requested a copy of the trail plan. Holly will email this to him.

Aimee Cornett and Jenny Wise were present representing court services. They requested permission to host Recovery Jam on June 5th from 6pm to 9pm. This would include closing 1st North St. They also requested use of No Parking signs, trash cans, and the Kevin Hensley Memorial Park bathrooms. Council unanimously approved.

Bryan Linville with Cane's Midwest Versailles presented the town with a banner and ring for hosting the tournament on Mother's Day Weekend.

Steve Mathes was present to observe the meeting.

Holly requested permission for the probation crew to help build the new trails. She also discussed some small modifications to the trail plans. She presented council with MainStreet Versailles event dates including; Farmer's Markets, Concerts, Blood Drive, Back to Square Run, 250th B-day Celebration, Baking Contest, and Home for the Holidays. She requested permission to install some hand rails on Tyson Street and a sunshade in the Kevin Hensley Memorial Pocket Park. Council unanimously approved all of Holly's requests.

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

A representative from The Nobel Properties LLC did not appear.

The application for Federal funding for the sewer project has made it through round 1. It is now being reviewed by the appropriations committee. The water project is being submitted to OCRA.

Canaan Water is moving forward with an SRF application and working with Hoosier Hills and an engineer.

Council agreed to move forward with upgrading the Town Hall accounting and utility billing software to BS&A.

Shawn Halcomb will begin work on the Main Street stone wall on May 13th.

The ditch in Harvest Ridge that has been holding water will undergo some sink hole and storm drain repairs.

The town owned property on 200 S will have 4 signs installed and be cleaned up as best as possible.

The Water Bond Ordinance was brought before council. Council unanimously approved the ordinance. Council then unanimously voted to proceed under the suspension of the rules. Council voted to adopt the Water Bond Ordinance on the second reading.

Council approved the 1st reading of the Water Rates Ordinance. There will be a public hearing next month.

Council approved the 1st reading of the Sewer Rates Ordinance. There will be a public hearing next month.

The firing range contract with the Indiana State Police is up for Renewal. Council has not yet received an updated copy from the state. It was mentioned that they have dumped dirt and trees back by the range without permission. Josh suggested that there be a time limit. Council unanimously agreed that they should only have use of the range from dawn to dusk. Roxanne will bring these concerns to the state police.

Roxanne signed the annual renewal for the RR2 Properties tax abatement.

It was noted that extra parking at the sports complex will be needed in the future. The ground will be striped at the west end of the parking lot and millings from the Perry street project will be used as a base for an extension of the parking lot.

With no further business coming before council, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.