Village of Versailles

Last month’s meeting minutes

Held January 6th, 2025 @ 6:30

*This meeting is being held on February 3rd, 2024*

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Newell, Mayor Earl Cooley; Trustee David Hoelscher; Trustee Jacob Fink, Trustee

Molly Lenover, Trustee Bob Howard; Trustee

Sandy Fry, Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Employees Present: Chrissy Ruble, Village Clerk

Guests: Liann Bauch, Brisyn Hohenbery, Karen DeWitt, Sheila Dunmire, Justin Oliver

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. Chrissy Ruble led the Pledge of Allegiance with the rest of the Board. Roll Call was given with 6 Trustees present.

Communication to the Board: Karen DeWitt shared that she was interested in becoming the chairman for the year of 2025. Saturday, September 13th. Meetings will be the 2nd Monday of each month, with the first meeting being Mon, Jan 13 at 6:30pm in the Community Building. New members are being gathered now. J. Fink made a motion to make Karen DeWitt the Chairman of the Fall Festival Committee and give access to the banking information. S. Fry 2nd the motion. 6 y, 0 n.

Complaint about junk across from Brawdy

Approval of Minutes:

J. Fink made a motion to approve minutes and closed session minutes as amended, S. Fry 2nd the motion. 6 y, 0 n.

Corrections: The ad for the new worker should be $18 per hour on the Closed Meeting minutes.

Treasurer’s Report: Charlotte was absent so she was not here to present her report. makes motion to approve as presented. E. Cooley 2nd the motion. 6 y, 0 n.

Corrections:

Clerk’s Presentation of Bills Paid:

Country Financial should be paid 1/3 from Water & Sewer (68), 1/3 from General (69).

J. Fink made a motion to pay bills from the last meeting and pay the Country Financial bill. B. Howard 2nd the motion. 6 y & 0 n.

Corrections:

Committee Reports:

Finance – Nothing

Police – E. Cooley discussed the IGA with Brown County Sherriff’s Department, and it was signed and sent to the lawyer last Thursday. Justin Oliver shared that he changed the agreement to only bill the village for hours worked. Oliver shared that the STARCOMM program will work better once the new AT&T tower goes up, but it is too expensive for the village to afford its own police department with all of the requirements for body and vehicle cameras, etc. He agreed to lease the equipment to the village and have his own trained officers come down. J. Fink made a motion to accept the IGA at the $3.75 per hour as amended. S. Fry 2nd the motion. 6 y, 0 n. Voice vote

Streets and Alleys – J. Fink shared the Rebuild Illinois funds expire this July so he was in contact with a County employee about getting some roads fixed.

Water and Sewer – Nothing

Ordinances, Public Service and Ordinances – Nothing

Cemetery - Nothing

Parks and Recreation – J. Fink has been in contact with electricians regarding the pool.

Building and Grounds – S. Fry has placed a new lock on the library and states that the floors and walls are solid. She suggested that they temporarily store Christmas decorations in there and purchase a shed sometime in the spring. She is working with several companies to get bids on replacing the roof and lean-to on the back of the Blacksmith shop.

Personnel – J. Fink confirmed that we put an ad in the paper for a new maintenance worker to start at $18/hour at full-time and move Brian to part-time.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

* Quickbooks and website tabled for next meeting.
* J. Fink made a motion moving the banking for Beautification from Farmers National in Griggsville to Farmers State Bank in Mount Sterling to consolidate all funds in one place. Charlotte is to be added to the account along with Brenda Horton. B. Howard 2nd the motion.
* The ballot lottery was drawn for the upcoming election with Republicans being drawn first.
* E. Cooley discussed what to do with the old van and police vehicle. The tires on the old tractor were also discussed and it was suggested to take bids and look at prices to replace the tire.
* C. Ruble suggested we upgrade the Microsoft account to the Family account for $99/year. J. Fink made a motion to upgrade to the Family account. S. Fry 2nd the motion. 6 y, 0 n.

S. Fry makes motion to adjourn at 8:01 pm