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MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VERSAILLES CITY HALL/5:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: MAYOR BRIAN TRAUOGOTT PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS MARY BRADLEY, MIKE COLEMAN, LAURA DAKE, GARY JONES, KEN KERKHOFF, AND FRED SIEGELMAN. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT.

DEPT. HEADS: MIKE MURRAY, ELIZABETH REYNOLDS, PAUL SIMMONS AND BRIAN WAINSCOTT WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Lillie Cox was present, along with a group of friends and family, to address the Council regarding a recent issue with graves she owns at Rose Crest Cemetery. Ms. Cox stated that she had purchased the two graves, for herself and her husband, at the time of her husband's death in 2014. It was recently determined that the empty grave owned by Ms. Cox was inadvertently sold twice and is actually owned by Ms. Judy Combs, who purchased the grave in 2006. Paul Simmons, Assistant Public Works Director, contacted Ms. Cox in October, 2019 when he was informed of the issue. He met with Ms. Cox and offered her three different options to rectify the situation, at no cost to Ms. Cox. At the request of Ms. Cox, Mr. Simmons provided the options in writing on November 14, 2019. Ms. Cox was present to complain about the way the situation was handled and she felt there was a lack of communication. She stated that she understands that she has to select an option, but she is hurt and disappointed.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Jones, Kerkhoff and Siegelman voting aye.

Maria Bohanan and Ken Kerkhoff stated that they had recently addressed the Fiscal Court regarding the possibility of a Public Private Partnership (P3) for the Precinct Project. They also presented to the Council a proposal from Frost Brown Todd LLC for consulting services to determine the viability of a P3 for the Precinct Project.

MOTION BY KERKHOFF, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO ALLOCATE UP TO \$10,000.00 AND ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL OF FROST BROWN TODD LLC FOR CONSULTING SERVICES REGARDING A PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Jones, Kerkhoff and Siegelman voting aye.

Ms. Cathy Weil, Chair of the Code Enforcement Board, presented the proposed 2020 Abandoned Properties List for Council consideration. Marjorie Evans, Board member, thanked Mayor Traugott and Police Chief Murray for working so diligently with the Board. She stated that residents of our community need to be educated in the options available to them other than walking away from their property. Mayor Traugott requested that they also add the property located at 101 Maple Street to the list. The revised list is as follows:

2020 Abandoned Properties

145 Bell Avenue
111 Bell Court
403 Elm Street Heights
107 Garnett Court
214 Green Street
239 Green Street
216 Lexington Street
105 Macey Avenue
157 Macey Avenue
78 McCracken Pike
222 Martin Luther King
811 Mildred

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**163 North Street
176 Ridgeview
201 Russell
205 Russell
207 Russell
301 Russell Court
145 Stout Avenue
511 Tyrone
101 Maple Street**

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE 2020 ABANDONED PROPERTIES LIST AS PRESENTED BY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY COLEMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1-20 AS SUBMITTED BY CODELL CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,148.40 FOR THE VERSAILLES POLICE DEPARTMENT FACILITY.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY KERHOFF, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.2045 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF CHLORINE GAS FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY COLEMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.1196 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID CAUSTIC SODA FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.189 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF HYDROFLUOSILICIC ACID FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.177 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF AQUA AMMONIA FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY HAWKINS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.02 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ACTIVATED CARBON SUPER SACK FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY COLEMAN, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY USALCO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.155 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLYALUMINUM CHLORIDE FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

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MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.2045 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF CHLORINE GAS FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY COLEMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.324 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF SULFUR DIOXIDE GAS FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.61 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF HTH GRANULAR FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY COLEMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY AULICK CHEMICAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2.25 PER GALLON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID ODOR CONTROL FOR THE LIFT STATIONS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY HAWKINS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15.25 PER GALLON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID DEGREASER FOR THE LIFT STATIONS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE BID AS PRESENTED BY AULICK CHEMICAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10.86 PER GALLON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID DEODORIZER FOR THE LIFT STATIONS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

Assistant Public Works Director Paul Simmons presented the following quotes for the purchase of a one-ton dump truck for the Public Works department:

Bachman Chevrolet (Louisville, Kentucky)	\$41,513.40
Jack Kain Ford (Versailles, Kentucky)	\$42,678.00

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO APPROVE THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY JACK KAIN FORD IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$42,678.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A ONE-TON DUMP TRUCK FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Council member Kerkhoff questioned spending \$1,100.00 more to shop local. Mayor Traugott and Mr. Simmons referenced the ease of servicing the vehicle locally as well as the good relationship they have with Jack Kain Ford.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF TONY WILSON TO THE VERSAILLES HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

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MOTION BY COLEMAN, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARJORIE EVANS TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY COLEMAN TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. ANISSA DAVIS TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Traugott presented an attorney contract between the City of Versailles and Moore Law Office for legal representation in civil litigation. The legal services would be separate from services provided by City Attorney Bill Moore in his current salaried position.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE THE ATTORNEY CONTRACT WITH MOORE LAW OFFICE FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION IN CIVIL LITIGATION AT A CHARGE OF \$150.00/HOUR.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Traugott stated that Magistrate Larry Blackford had spoken to all property owners (except 156 Water Street which he has not been able to make contact with) on Water Street regarding his request to rename the street to H.L. Keeton Street. All owners are in agreement with the change.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO RENAME WATER STREET TO H.L. KEETON STREET.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Traugott stated that City of Versailles Employee Christmas Luncheon would be held on December 12, 2019, 11:30am – 1:30pm and all Council members are invited to attend.

He thanked Big Ass Fans for the donation of the new ceiling fan and light in the lobby of the Versailles Municipal Building.

Council Miscellaneous/ Committee Reports

Council member Siegelman addressed Ms. Lillie Cox regarding the cemetery issues she brought forth earlier in the meeting. Mr. Siegelman offered his apologies for the burden of being forced to make such a difficult decision. He stated that as a member of the Cemetery Committee and former Mayor, he thought all cemetery issues had been resolved and that the committee was not aware of this issue. Mayor Traugott stated that the record keeping system for the cemeteries is antiquated and that he hated that this situation exists. Attorney Moore stated that the City had taken responsibility for the error and had offered the best solutions possible. Ms. Cox responded that her biggest concern was still the lack of communication. Mayor Traugott and Mr. Simmons reiterated that the issue had just come to their attention when they first began communications with Ms. Cox.

Council member Jones stated that the Water & Sewer Committee had met with the owner of 150 Virginia Avenue regarding a high utility bill. After the owner presented them with a plumber's bill showing the residence has no leaks, they are recommending that the Council approve a sewer adjustment in the amount of \$224.11.

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MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE A SEWER ADJUSTMENT FOR 150 VIRGINIA AVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$224.11 DUE TO AN UNEXPLAINED HIGH UTILITY BILL.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

Council member Coleman brought up the issue of the recently adopted Fairness Ordinance. Because there were so many drafts being dispersed, the one that was submitted for first and second reading had incorrect language in Section 10. Mayor Traugott stated that a first reading will be presented at the next meeting to correct the ordinance.

Council member Bradley stated that the Admin/Legal Committee had met prior to tonight's meeting to discuss revision of Code Enforcement ordinances. No action was taken.

Council member Dake stated that the Main Street/Walkability Subcommittee is recommending to the Council that they approve for the Mayor to submit the requested text amendment regarding projecting signs to Planning & Zoning.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE MAYOR TRAUGOTT TO SUBMIT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF VERSAILLES A TEXT AMENDMENT REGARDING PROJECTING SIGNS AS PRESENTED BY THE MAIN STREET/WALKABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE TO PLANNING & ZONING.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Coleman, Dake, Kerkhoff, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye.

Council member Dake informed the Council that the cigarette receptacles had arrived and would be installed in the coming months. She also stated that Bluegrass Greensource had awarded a grant in the amount of \$500-\$1,000 for the landscaping of the new Big Spring Overlook. Many volunteers have spent hours on the deck and it should be completed by spring. She also mentioned a newsletter that is being distributed by "Friends of Big Spring Park" which includes information about the park and a request for donations. She also noted the Bluegrass Community Foundation Good Giving Challenge which goes through December 9, 2019 encouraging everyone to donate to a charity of their choice. Visit www.bggives.org for more information.

Department Directors

Police Chief Murray stated that the Cops for Kids Christmas Celebration will be held on December 14th. He also noted that the official move-in date for the new facility may be pushed back until the end of January.

Event Coordinator Elisha Holt reminded everyone of the following upcoming events:

- Friday, December 6th at 5:30pm – "Tree Lighting Ceremony" which includes three elementary school choirs, milk and cookies donated by Ms. Rogers Popcorn and Sweet Lilu's, and a story reading by Santa and Mrs. Claus.
- Saturday, December 7th – "Woodford County Festival of Trees" which includes seventeen fully decorated trees to be raffled off and a meal completely donated by local restaurants and caterers
- Saturday, December 7th at 5:00pm – "Versailles Christmas Parade" which will include the Kentucky State University Band, multiple floats, entertainment and more.
- Saturday, December 14th at 1:00pm and 3:00pm – "Elf" free movie showing at Homegrown Yoga

Mayor Traugott adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK