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VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING/5:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: MAYOR BRIAN TRAUGOTT PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS MARY BRADLEY, LAURA DAKE, LISA JOHNSON, KEN KERKHOFF, FRED SIEGELMAN, AND AARON SMITHER. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT.

DEPT. HEADS: BART MILLER, MIKE MURRAY, T.A. RANKIN, AND ELIZABETH REYNOLDS WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

Mayor Traugott presented Resolution 2022-20 honoring Judy Bobbitt on her recent retirement as Property Valuation Administrator. He noted that Mrs. Bobbitt began her career in the PVA office three months before she graduated high school in 1979 and went on to be elected in 2014, and re-elected in 2018, as PVA with no opposition. Mayor Traugott praised Mrs. Bobbitt's work and dedication to her career.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-20 HONORING THE SERVICE OF JUDY BOBBITT UPON HER RETIREMENT AS PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Mayor Traugott also presented Resolution 2022-21 honoring Judge Mary Jane Phelps on her recent retirement as District Judge. He praised Judge Phelps' work with Teen Court, her kindness and professionalism, and noted that she was originally elected in 1998 and reelected five times to subsequent terms without any opposition.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION 2022-21 HONORING MARY JANE PHELPS UPON HER RETIREMENT AS DISTRICT JUDGE.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2022 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY KERKHOFF, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 29, 2022 SPECIAL WORK SESSION OF THE COUNCIL.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Cathy Weil, Chair of the Code Enforcement Board, provided an update on Code Enforcement throughout Versailles and presented the 2023 Abandoned and Blighted Property List as follows:

1. 111 Bell Court
2. 145 Bell Court
3. 157 Bell Court
4. 320 Bryanwood
5. 285 Bryanwood
6. 636 Douglas Avenue
7. 101 Macey Avenue
8. 105 Macey Avenue
9. 140 Macey Avenue
10. 311 Macey Avenue
11. 122 Maple Avenue
12. 78 McCracken Pike

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- 13. 222 MLK Blvd**
- 14. 112 MLK Blvd**
- 15. 108 Preston Court**
- 16. 176 Ridge View Road**

Ms. Weil noted that the town is looking gorgeous and she thanked the Mayor and Council for their support, particularly in employing Rock Vance as Code Enforcement Officer. She also distributed before and after pictures of a home on Stout Avenue that has been the subject of Code Enforcement for several years and is now undergoing renovations. Ms. Weil also provided a list of properties that have been demolished as a result of Code Enforcement over the last few years.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE THE 2023 ABANDONED PROPERTIES LIST AS PRESENTED BY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

At the request of Council member Bradley, City Attorney Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2022-38 Amending the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of City Government Services.

At the request of Council member Bradley, City Attorney Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2022-39 Amending the City of Versailles, Kentucky Annual Enterprise Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 by Estimating Revenues and Appropriations for the Operation of the Enterprise Fund.

Public Works Director Bart Miller presented the bids received for Water and Wastewater Treatment Chemicals for Calendar Year 2023. He noted that all of the bids are for a full calendar year except for the Chlorine Gas which will only be guaranteed through March 31, 2023, and the Aqua Ammonia which will only be guaranteed through June 30, 2023.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.010 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF CHLORINE GAS FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.293 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID CAUSTIC SODA FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY UNIVAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.35 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF HYDROFLUOSILICIC ACID FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.329 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF AQUA AMMONIA FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY BRENNTAG MID-SOUTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.249 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ACTIVATED CARBON FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

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MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY USALCO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$0.330 PER POUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLYALUMINUM CHLORIDE FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY AULICK CHEMICAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2.94 PER GALLON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID ODOR CONTROL FOR THE LIFT STATIONS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY DAKE TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY AULICK CHEMICAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18.20 PER GALLON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID DEGREASER FOR THE LIFT STATIONS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY AULICK CHEMICAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10.56 PER GALLON FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID DEODORIZER FOR THE LIFT STATIONS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Public Works Director Miller presented the bids for the installation of the AMI Water Meters. He noted that the process should begin between mid-January and mid-February and will take approximately four months. He recommended the low bid as presented by US Bronco Services, noting that he contacted four references in the area and all provided glowing recommendations. The bids were received as follows:

US Bronco Services, Inc.	\$350,464.00
Vanguard Utility Service, Inc.	\$378,769.38
Professional Meters, Inc.	\$385,619.28

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE BID AS PRESENTED BY US BRONCO SERVICES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350,464.00 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF RESIDENTIAL AMI WATER METERS.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO ACCEPT THE RECORD AS SUBMITTED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE ZONING MAP AMENDMENT AND PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN/PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION PLAN – SPRINGS OF VERSAILLES, LLC (ESTATE OF JOSEPHINE BARROWS) – 581 FALLING SPRINGS BLVD – 95.210 ACRES – A-1 TO R-1B DISTRICT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

The Council further discussed having an “argument-style” hearing allowing each an attorney representing each side to have a set amount of time to argue their points, which would be limited to the record.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO INVITE TWO ATTORNEYS, ONE REPRESENTING SPRINGS OF VERSAILLES, LLC AND ONE REPRESENTING THE NEIGHBORING RESIDENTS, TO COME AND SPEAK TO THE COUNCIL FOR NO MORE THAN THIRTY MINUTES EACH ON JANUARY 17, 2023 AT 5:30PM WITH THEIR DISCUSSION LIMITED TO THE ACCEPTED RECORD.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

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The Council discussed the Agenda item Recommendation to Approve Text Amendment to Articles II, V and XI of the Versailles-Midway-Woodford County Zoning Ordinance. Mayor Traugott noted that it includes changes that the Council recommended to Planning and Zoning. The Council advised City Attorney Moore to draft an ordinance.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO REAPPOINT CHAD WELLS TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Council member Johnson asked if there were term limits, in general, for Board appointments. Mayor Traugott stated that there are no term limits and City Attorney Moore noted that it is difficult to find residents that are interested in serving and are able to invest the time necessary. Mayor Traugott stated that both Mr. Wells and Mr. Parrott were original appointments of former Mayor Siegelman and have served approximately twelve years on the Commission.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO REAPPOINT TIM PARROTT TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO REAPPOINT MATT MYERS TO THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPOINT RONNIE SMITH TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING DECEMBER 6, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Mayor Traugott noted that newly elected City Council member Chantel Bingham would be resigning from her appointment on the Planning and Zoning Commission by virtue of taking her Council Oath. He stated that there is also a vacancy on the Code Enforcement Board. He invited any resident interested in serving to reach out to him.

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Traugott stated that the Tree Lighting Ceremony was well attended and very well done. He thanked Dr. Amanda Sergent for lighting the tree. He also praised all of the Christmas events held on Saturday, including the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, the Santa Shuffle 5K, and the Christmas Parade. Mayor Traugott thanked Bart Miller and his Public Works team as well as City Event Coordinator Katie Cooley for their hard work on all of the weekend events.

Mayor Traugott announced two upcoming events:

- Santa and Friends Ornament Workshop, December 10th 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- Smores with Santa, December 17th 1:00pm – 4:00pm

He noted that Thursday, December 8th 11:30am – 1:30pm is the City Employee Christmas Luncheon and that all employees and Council members are invited to attend.

Mayor Traugott stated that December 13th Work Session is cancelled.

He announced that the State has recently resurfaced Elm Street and we will be submitting Lexington Street on our next request.

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Mayor Traugott stated that an anonymous letter had been sent to staff and the Executive Director of Kentucky League of Cities and carbon copied to the Lexington Herald-Leader and the Woodford Sun. He read the letter aloud, which stated that Mayor Brian Traugott was planning to resign and appoint Council member Fred Siegelman. The letter went on to list several disparaging statements about Mr. Siegelman.

Mayor Traugott reiterated that the letter is not accurate and he has no plans to resign from his position. He expressed his disapproval for whomever wrote the letter and their cowardice in remaining anonymous.

Council member Kerkhoff praised Mr. Siegelman and his work during his time as Mayor and on the Council.

Council Miscellaneous/ Committee Reports

Council member Siegelman congratulated everyone that recently won in their respective elections and recognized those that put in time and effort but did not succeed.

Council member Dake stated that a Water and Sewer Committee meeting was held prior to tonight's Council meeting and they are recommending two sewer adjustments.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO APPROVE A SEWER ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$451.29 FOR 108 DERBY COURT.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY KERKHOFF TO APPROVE A SEWER ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,161.33 FOR THE BUSINESS LOCATED AT 102 UNITED DRIVE.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Kerkhoff, Siegelman, and Smither voting aye.

Council member Johnson stated that the Building Standards and Downtown Development ad hoc committee is currently meeting every month and will soon be changing it to every two months. She noted that they will continue discussing the Façade grant and possibly extending it out Lexington Road, continuing to look at traffic calming solutions, fire inspection information, the traffic study, and downtown vacancies. She noted that the next meeting will be held January 5, 2023 at 5:00pm and the public is, as always, invited to attend.

Ms. Johnson thanked the Versailles Fire Department for the opportunity to ride with Council members Dake and Bradley in Engine 1 this past Saturday in the Christmas Parade.

Council member Kerkhoff announced a Downtown Revitalization Committee meeting will be held on December 13th at 10am with Brandstetter Carroll, Inc. and they will be presenting their design plan to the Council on December 20th at 5:30pm.

Mayor Traugott recognized former Council member Owen Roberts for being in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Mayor Traugott adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK