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MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VERSAILLES MUNICIPAL BUILDING/5:30 P.M.**

ROLL CALL: MAYOR BRIAN TRUGOTT PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS MARY BRADLEY, LAURA DAKE, LISA JOHNSON, GARY JONES, AND ANN MILLER. COUNCIL MEMBER BINGHAM WAS ABSENT. ATTORNEY ELLEN MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT.

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

Council member Dake noted that there was a typo on the last page of the minutes – in reference to Woodford Wheels it should state the “2,000th ride”.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 18, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING AS CORRECTED.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Jones and Miller voting aye.

Utilities Manager Mitzi Delius addressed the council regarding a recent Public Notification that was included in the July utility bills. She stated that the notice was due to the Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio not meeting the required standard. The violation occurred in January 2024, the City received the notice on June 7th and was required to distribute it to all customers within thirty days of receipt. She noted that the EPA states that TOC does not have health effects, however it is considered a Tier 2 Violation. Mrs. Delius stated that the water is safe to drink and that it involves the treatment process, there was no bacteria found in the water. She noted that they are continuing to monitor levels with daily, hourly and monthly testing. Mrs. Delius stated that TOC can be a precursor for disinfectant byproducts but those byproducts are tested for quarterly and there has been no formation of byproduct in our water.

Mrs. Delius further stated that Versailles Municipal Utilities recently received an award for the microbial levels and she praised the job of Water Plant Superintendent Ross Harrell as well as all of the water plant employees. Public Works Director Bart Miller noted that the City does daily, monthly, and quarterly testing as well as spending \$25,000 per year on outside testing.

They reiterated that if anyone has any further questions they can reach out to Ross Harrell at 859-873-5740 or to Mitzi Delius at 859-873-2245 ext. 128.

Emily Downey, Executive Director of the Woodford County Tourist Commission, was present to provide a Tourism Update. She provided a list of most recent Board appointments, including Council member Gary Jones. She also noted that they have completed a Rebrand and Strategy Session as well as determining the Tourism goals and completing a SWOT analysis. She stated that their rebrand is “Visit Woodford” with several new campaigns including “Birthplace of Bourbon”, a regional campaign titled “Joy Ride” which has been nominated for an Emmy, the Kentucky Train Trail campaign which focuses on the Bluegrass Train experience passport, and the FAM Tour campaign which includes seven social media influencers over five days. She also discussed local marketing strategies and industry support.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT MUNICIPAL ORDER 2024-8 A MUNICIPAL ORDER ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 PAY CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Jones and Miller voting aye.

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Mayor Traugott stated that that the agenda item Zoning Map Amendment – Bluegrass Railroad Museum – 175 Beasley Road – A-1 to A-1 & B-1 (Neighborhood Business) is on the agenda for the final time as the ninety days will be up before the next council meeting. The council took no action on the item.

Mayor Traugott read Resolution 2024-7 recognizing the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion Woodford Post 67. The Resolution stated that they are devoted to providing service and support to veterans and their families as well as their many community contributions including supporting Fourth of July events, hosting Easter Egg hunts, providing American flags for local classrooms, donating equipment to Versailles and Woodford County Fire Departments, and providing scholarships for local students.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-7 COMMEMORATING AMERICAN LEGION POST 67 ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY AND EXPRESSING GRATITUDE FOR THEIR MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Jones and Miller voting aye.

Public Works Director Bart Miller presented the following quotes for a new pump at the Cedar Ridge Lift Station:

Straeffer Pump & Supply, Inc.	\$8,550.00
Clark Electric	\$8,988.00

Mr. Miller stated that unfortunately they cannot predict when the pumps will come to end of life. He recommended the low quote.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY STRAEFFER PUMP AND SUPPLY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,550.00 FOR A NEW PUMP AT THE CEDAR RIDGE LIFT STATION.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Jones and Miller voting aye.

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Traugott announced that the annual 4th of July celebration will be held Thursday beginning at 6:00pm at the Woodford County Park with fireworks slated to begin around 9:45pm. He stated that while the weather forecast is questionable, there will only be a postponement if it is raining at the time fireworks are to begin. Facebook will be updated if any events are cancelled or postponed.

He noted that Saturday, July 13th the Woodford County Farmers Market will be hosting the Makers Market in the Downtown event space from 2:00pm – 5:00pm.

The Mayor stated that he will be out of town next week. After a short discussion the council decided to cancel the Work Session.

Council Miscellaneous/ Committee Reports

Council member Dake presented the following quotes for twenty commercial steel trash receptacles for downtown and the event space:

Treetop**	\$10,655.83
Barco Products**	\$14,655.83
Uline	\$15,279.43
School Outfitters*	\$19,197.60

*Quote does not include shipping.

**Receptacle matches what is currently downtown.

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Ms. Dake stated that along with the quotes, she included a list of proposed placement. She also noted that Rumpke has agreed to empty the additional cans at no additional cost. She asked the council to approve up to twenty, since they may only need 16 or 17, depending on the determined needs of the downtown event space.

Council member Miller questioned why this wasn't put into a standing committee. Council member Johnson responded that it was in the Building Standards and Downtown Development Ad-Hoc Committee for over a year and a half. She stated that the committee agreed that more receptacles equals less litter. Council member Miller asked for Mayor Traugott's opinion; he agreed that twenty may be too many but that what we currently have is not enough.

Council Member Dake noted that she had worked with Public Works Director Miller to walk the street from Frankfort Street to down South Main to determine placement that would only be on public property. Council member Miller asked for Mr. Miller's opinion; he stated that once the cans are in place, they do not affect Public Works so he is neutral.

Council member Miller expressed concern that more cans would cause more litter downtown.

MOTION BY DAKE, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY TREETOP FOR THE PURCHASE OF UP TO TWENTY COMMERCIAL STEEL TRASH RECEPTACLES IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$10,655.83.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Jones and Miller voting aye.

Council member Dake stated that the tenth edition of the City of Versailles E-Newsletter went out yesterday.

Department Directors

Public Works Director Miller stated that the forklift for the Water Treatment Plant has become inoperable and needs to be replaced. He stated that it is a 1984 electric forklift. He presented the following quotes for a propane forklift:

Dealer	Brand	Year	Hours	Price
Clark Heavy Equipment	Toyota	2012	5,189	\$15,000
Gotta Go Surplus	Clark	2012	7,533	\$9,150*
Machine Max USA	Toyota	2012	10,389	\$9,950
Material Handling Inc	Clark	2018	11,401	\$9,495
Sun Equipment	Caterpillar	2018	10,290	\$12,500

*includes delivery

Mr. Miller recommended the quote as presented by Gotta Go Surplus. Council member Dake asked about the 2018 from Material Handling Inc for a similar price. Mr. Miller stated that it is better to go with the one with the lesser hours rather than a newer model.

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY MILLER TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY GOTTA GO SURPLUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,150.00 FOR A 2012 CLARK PROPANE FORKLIFT, DELIVERED.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Dake, Johnson, Jones and Miller voting aye.

Mr. Miller reminded the council that they have a standing invitation to tour the Water Treatment Plant or the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor Traugott wished City Attorney Bill Moore his best in his recovery from knee replacement surgery.

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Mayor Traugott adjourned the meeting without objections.

APPROVED:

BRIAN TRAUGOTT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK