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ROLL CALL: MAYOR LAURA DAKE PRESIDED OVER THE MEETING. ALSO

PRESENT WERE COUNCIL MEMBERS CHANTEL BINGHAM, LISA JOHNSON, GARY JONES, ANN MILLER, AND FRED SIEGELMAN. CITY ATTORNEY BILL MOORE WAS ALSO PRESENT. COUNCIL MEMBER

MARY BRADLEY WAS ABSENT.

DEPT. HEADS: MAX DAVIS, MITZI DELIUS, DAN KNIGHT, ELIZABETH REYNOLDS,

AND ROB YOUNG WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR

RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 5, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Public Comment

David Kratt, resident of Stourbridge, addressed the council to ask when the connection will be made from Edmonds Cross to Huntertown Road. He stated that the connection was part of the approved plat and the subdivision is nearly complete. Mr. Kratt expressed his support for the connection and asked that it be kept.

Mayor Dake stated that there is Resolution 2025-9 on tonight's agenda to address connecting streets, however, they will be moving it to the agenda for a special council meeting scheduled for August 26th at 5:30pm.

Attorney Cassie Barnes, representing Legends and The Springs developments, asked to be formally placed on the agenda for the August 26th special meeting.

Drew Costa, resident of Stourbridge, asked if the special meeting would be open to the public. Mayor Dake responded that public attendance is invited and welcome to the special meeting and the public will be given an opportunity to speak.

Rich Pictor, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation, and Logan Hart, Bluegrass ADD, were present to ask the City to be the local government agency on a grant application through the Land & Water Conservation Fund for an "iconic" bridge to be installed near the center of the wooded area of Big Spring Park. Mr. Hart stated that the grant requires a local agency to be the administrator of the grant funds and since the park is inside the city limits, they are asking the City of Versailles. He noted that the grant is a 50/50 grant so they will also be applying for the state G.R.A.N.T. grant which allows cities and counties to apply for state funding to cover the majority of the local match. Mr. Hart stated that in the past, local governments were awarded both grants and typically not awarded one without the other because there is currently a lot of money available.

Council member Bingham asked when the basketball goals would be installed. Mr. Pictor stated that it is on the schedule for the end of September. He noted that the goals have come in and are in storage until the company is able to do the installation.

Council member Siegelman asked about clearing of downed trees in the back of the park, on the left and right sides of the trail coming from Spring Run Road. Mr. Pictor stated that the downed trees will be cleared this winter when there are less people using the trails because they have to bring in heavy equipment.

At the request of Council member Miller, City Attorney Bill Moore provided first reading of Ordinance 2025-15 An Ordinance Amending Section 97.03 of the Versailles Code of Ordinances to Specifically Include the Responsibility for Managing Trees, Shrubs and Other Vegetation with the Responsibilities of the Owner or Occupant of Property Next to Any Street or Alley.

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Mayor Dake announced, as previously stated, that Resolution 2025-9 regarding a moratorium on the issuance of building permits, water taps, and sewer taps, will be on the agenda for a special council meeting on August 26^{th} at 5:30pm.

Police Chief Rob Young presented the following bid for police gear storage lockers to be installed at the Versailles Police Department:

Elite Storage Products

\$50,400.00

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE BID AS PRESENTED BY ELITE STORAGE PRODUCTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,400 FOR POLICE GEAR STORAGE LOCKERS FOR THE VERSAILLES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Assistant Public Works Director Dan Knight presented the following bids for Fiscal Year 2026 Road Projects:

Lexington Quarry Company	\$451,242.85
H.G. Mays Corporation	\$452,821.66
Mago Construction Company	\$481,413.26

MOTON BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE ACCEPT THE BID AS PRESENTED BY LEXINGTON QUARRY COMPANY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 ROAD PROJECTS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$451,242.85.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting ave.

Mr. Knight presented the following quotes for a regular cab, half ton pick-up truck. He noted that Bachman Chevrolet is a state price contract vendor.

Bachman Chevrolet (2026 Chevy 1500)	\$38,041.00
Kain Ford (2025 Ford F-150)	\$43,822.00

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY BACHMAN CHEVROLET FOR A REGULAR CAB 2026 CHEVROLET 1500 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$38,041.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented the following quotes for a crew cab, half ton pick truck for the public works department:

Bachman Chevrolet (2026 Chevy 1500)	\$42,572.00
Kain Ford (2025 Ford F-150)	\$45,613.00

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BINGHAM TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY BACHMAN CHEVROLET FOR A CREW CAB 2026 CHEVROLET 1500 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$42,572.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented the following quotes for a regular cab, one ton dump truck for the public works department:

Bachman Chevrolet (2026 Chevy 3500)	\$60,264.00
Kain Ford (2025 Ford F-350)	\$68,722,00

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MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ACCPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY BACHMAN CHEVROLET FOR A REGULAR CAB 2026 CHEVROLET 3500 DUMP TRUCK IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$60,264.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake presented the following quotes for the purchase of trees using the KU "Plant for the Planet" grant funds. The grant is \$2,500 to match \$2,500 in city funds for the planting of trees. She noted that Estepp's, a gas station and convenience store that recently opened here in Versailles, heard about the project and donated an additional \$5,000.00.

MacDougals\$7,170.90 for 35 treesWilson Nurseries\$8,351.10 for 35 trees

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY MACDOUGALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 35 TREES AT A TOTAL COST OF \$7,170.90.

Mayor Dake stated that each vendor's quote included the option to purchase additional trees at the quoted price per tree so they would likely be purchasing additional trees since they received the additional funding from Estepp's.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO AMEND THE MOTION TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY MACDOUGALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 35 OR MORE TREES AT A TOTAL COST UP TO \$10,000.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting ave.

Mr. Knight presented Change Order No. 2 for the Kroger Way Extension Project which increases the total project price by \$74,770.00 and adds fourteen calendar days to substantial completion. He stated that the change order includes adding barricades once construction is completed, lowering sanitary sewer depth, installation of a French drain, and revising the electrical conduit for future street light locations.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE KROGER WAY EXTENSION PROJECT WHICH AMOUNTS TO A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$74,770.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Utilities Director Mitzi Delius presented Change Order No. 2 for the Water Treatment Plant and Raw Water Pump Station Generator Project which increases the total project by \$323,837.00. Ms. Delius stated that the change order is to add the site work for the water plant generator back in to the project. She noted that the water plant site work and generator were removed from the project when the generator pricing significantly increased over time. Adding the site work back in to the project will bring the total project cost close to the total FEMA grant award amount. They are working with Emergency Management to pursue additional funding for the generator at the water plant.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND RAW WATER PUMP STATION GENERATOR PROJECT WHICH AMOUNTS TO A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$323,837.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mr. Knight presented a request from a resident of the apartment complex at 100 Gormley Drive. He stated that the resident is disabled and is requesting a designated handicap parking space in front of his apartment. Mr. Knight noted that the space is partially private property of the apartment complex owner and partially right-of-way. He stated that the owner of the property is in agreement with designating it as handicap.

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MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO DESIGNATE A PARKING SPACE IN FRONT OF THE APARTMENT COMPLEX AT 100 GORMLEY DRIVE AS HANDICAP PARKING ONLY.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake presented a Sidewalk Connectivity RFQ which would provide a pedestrian crosswalk from the walking path on Falling Springs Blvd across Tyrone Pike to the Woodford County Park. She stated that this RFQ was put together by City Engineer Mary Beth Robson and will be done in conjunction with the Fiscal Court. She noted that they would also be working with the state to improve the safety of the intersection for pedestrians. Mayor Dake stated that there would also be a multi-use path going from the corner of Tyrone Pike and Beasley Drive up to the Agricultural Extension Office.

Council member Miller asked if a pedestrian bridge was considered because it could be a dangerous intersection for pedestrians. Mayor Dake stated that it would most likely be cost prohibitive.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE THE SIDEWALK CONNECTIVITY RFQ AS PRESENTED.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Dake presented the Safe Streets and Roads for All Demonstration Project Fee Proposal from Prime AE totaling \$93,500.00. Mayor Dake noted that this project has been in discussion for a long time and we finally got the signed Grant Agreement last week from the federal government.

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY MILLER TO APPROVE THE SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FEE PROPOSAL AS PRESENTED BY PRIME AE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$93,500.00.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Dake stated that there will be Market Days this Saturday, 8:30am – noon at The District. She noted that \$10 vouchers will again be given out to any children middle school age and younger to use at any of the Market Days vendors, except the one selling hard cider.

She stated that she would be out of the office Wednesday and Thursday to attend a Manufactured Housing Conference in Covington.

Mayor Dake announced a Public Hearing will be held at the beginning of the special council meeting on August 26th at 5:30pm because they are lowering the property tax rate this year to 4.9 cents per \$100 of assessed property.

She noted the upcoming Twilight Festival will be held on Saturday, September 6th, 12:00pm – 9:00pm.

Council Miscellaneous/Committee Reports

Council member Jones stated that the Water and Sewer Committee met prior to tonight's council meeting and they are recommending a sewer adjustment of \$346.07 for 157 High Street. The resident left the outside hose on while they were on vacation which resulted in a high utility bill. The water did not go into the City's sewer system.

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE A SEWER ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$346.07 FOR 157 HIGH STREET.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

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Council member Johnson noted the Mentors and Meals Annual Team Trivia Night is coming up on August 28th and the City needs three more people for their table. She stated that anyone interested in participating should contact Mayor Dake.

Ms. Johnson announced a butterfly release being held August 31st, Overdose Awareness Day, at Big Spring Park at 2:00pm in memory of those that have lost their lives to overdose.

Council member Miller expressed her concern with pedestrian traffic on Tyrone Pike, near the County Park. She stated that it is a difficult road and she is concerned about putting a crosswalk at a non-light.

Department Directors

Police Chief Rob Young distributed a copy of the Versailles Police and 911 Departments Annual Report. He noted that the report includes statistics regarding their calls for service and includes information about different aspects of the departments.

Chief Young introduced 911 Executive Director Diana Leininger to the council and praised the hard work she has done since her appointment as Executive Director on May 28th.

Chief Young also noted that he has been working with school partners during the first few days of school traffic to ensure safety throughout Woodford County. He stated that the exit coming out of the high school property onto Tyrone Pike is right turn only and beginning this week they will ticket anyone that is seen turning left.

Battalion Fire Chief Max Davis stated that the Fire Science Program, a joint effort of the Versailles Fire Department and Woodford County Schools, has gotten started with seventy students signing up for the program. He noted that they limited it to thirty – two classes of fifteen students each – and that he is excited to get going. He said that students will receive the same training that is given at fire departments throughout Kentucky and they can receive credit hours through BCTC toward an associate degree.

City Clerk Elizabeth Reynolds stated that the Police and 911 Annual Report, as well as Annual Reports for the Fire Department and Water and Sewer, will be available on the City website by the end of the month.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO KRS 61.810(1)(b) TO DELIBERATE ON THE FUTURE ACQUISITION OR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY MILLER, SECONDED BY SIEGELMAN TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY JONES TO GIVE THE MAYOR AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AND/OR SIGN A LETTER OF INTENT AND PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH OR WITHOUT OTHER ENTITIES FOR THE PURCAHSE OF 105 INDUSTRY DRIVE, VERSAILLES, KENTUCKY.

The vote was as follows: Bingham, Johnson, Jones, Miller, and Siegelman voting aye.

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ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK

Mayor Dake adjourned the meeting without objections.		
	APPROVED:	
	LAURA DAKE, MAYOR	
ATTEST:		