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

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

ANN MILLER WAS ABSENT.

DEPT. HEADS: MITZI DELIUS, MARLENA JACOBS, BRENT MCGEE, BART MILLER,

AND T.A. RANKIN WERE PRESENT REPRESENTING THEIR

RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

The vote was as follows: Bradley, Jones, and Siegelman voting aye. Council member Johnson abstained.

Council member Bingham arrived at 5:35pm.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

Mayor Dake and the Versailles City Council recognized the Southside Elementary students and teachers that participated in the design of the new Versailles flag. She noted that a flag raising ceremony was held tonight prior to the council meeting.

Mayor Dake presented Resolution 2025-10 which would allow the City to apply for a GRANT grant through the state to pay 95% of the required local match on the Wilson Avenue TAP grant.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY JOHNSON TO APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-10 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF VERSAILLES AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION AND FILING OF A GOVERNMENT RESOURCES ACCELERATING NEEDING TRANSFORMATION (GRANT) PROGRAM OF 2024 PROJECT APPLICATION FOR UP TO \$76,564 IN GRANT PROGRAM OF 2024 FUNDS WITH THE CABINET FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ("CED"); AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE DEEMED NECESSARY BY CED TO CARRY OUT THIS PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED CORRESPONDENT FOR THIS PROJECT; PERMITTING REVIEW AND EXECUTION OF ALL AGREEMENTS AND REQUEST OF ALL DISBURSEMENTS RELATED TO THE GRANT PROGRAM OF 2024.

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

Fire Chief Rankin presented the following quote for five sets of personal protective gear. He noted that this is a budgeted capital item and they are a state price contract vendor.

America's Bravest Equipment Company

\$20,525.00

MOTION BY BRADLEY, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE QUOTE AS PRESENTED BY AMERICA'S BRAVEST EQUIPMENT COMPANY FOR FIVE SETS OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE GEAR FOR THE VERSAILLES FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$20,525.00.

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

Mayor Miscellaneous

Mayor Dake stated that there had been a request to hold a special meeting on Monday, September 22nd at 5:30pm to discuss a potential offer on a piece of real estate. She asked if everyone would be available and she noted that a notice would be issued if a special meeting is scheduled.

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She noted the final Block Party of the season will be held Friday, September 26th 6:30pm – 9:30pm at The District and entertainment will be provided by Trippin' Roots.

Mayor Dake stated that the last Sunday Social of the year will be feature music by Mash Grass on Sunday, September 28th 2:00pm – 5:00pm at The District.

She announced the upcoming Boo Bash at City Hall on Thursday, October 30^{th} 4:00pm - 7:00pm and she noted that the Woodford Spooktacular featuring the Thriller Parade will be held Sunday, October 26^{th} Downtown Versailles.

Council Miscellaneous/Committee Reports

Council member Johnson stated that the Chamber has a non-profit roundtable group that will meet this Friday, September 19th at 1:00pm at the Woodford County Library Community Room to discuss food insecurity and invited the public to attend.

Ms. Johnson noted that she had attended a meeting this morning, as an Agency for Substance Abuse Policy (ASAP) Board member. She stated that they had discussed the Net Recovery devices, which the council had previously approved funding two devices, with the county also funding two, to provide recovery assistance to four individuals using Opioid Abatement funds. She stated that three individuals have been helped so far with the Net Recovery devices and that Jailer Michele Rankin presented on the success of one of those individuals who received the device during their time at the Woodford County Detention Center. Ms. Rankin stated that the device helped tremendously with that individual's withdrawal symptoms. Council member Johnson asked the council to approve spending another \$11,000 of Opioid Abatement funds to assist two additional individuals. She stated that there may be an additional larger ask later but right now this is still in the trial phase.

MOTION BY JOHNSON, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE SPENDING \$11,000 OF THE OPIOID ABATEMENT FUNDS TOWARD THE NET RECOVERY DEVICE TO PROVIDE TREATMENT FOR TWO ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS.

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

Council member Siegelman expressed concern regarding the traffic downtown Versailles, noting that it took him twelve minutes to get to City Hall tonight from his house on Spring Run Street. He asked Public Works Director Miller to check to see if the street lights are set to cycle properly or if there is anything else that can be done to minimize traffic congestion.

Department Directors

Assistant City Clerk Jacobs presented a Neighborhood Grant Application on behalf of Helmsley Subdivision to replace the fence boards and posts that are deteriorating and repaint the entire fence along Highway 33 at a total cost of \$15,000.00. They are requesting the maximum grant amount of \$7,500.00.

MOTION BY BINGHAM, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE THE NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT APPLICATION FOR HELMSLEY SUBDIVISION IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$7,500.00.

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

Public Works Director Miller stated that the roundabout project on the Kroger Way Extension should finish up over the next couple of weeks noting that the grant has a deadline of September 30th.

Mayor Dake stated that there will be flaggers and stop and go traffic at the Kroger Way/U.S. 60 intersection on Thursday as they pave the Kroger Way Extension.

Mr. Miller that they have entered into an agreement with MacDougals for forty total trees to be planted in October on Falling Springs Blvd and throughout the Versailles Housing Authority as part of the KU Plant for the Planet grant.

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Fire Chief Rankin requested permission to advertise for bids for Structural Collapse Specialist Training Class as part of the Kentucky Homeland Security grant that the Versailles Fire Department was awarded.

MOTION BY SIEGELMAN, SECONDED BY BRADLEY TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR A STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE SPECIALIST TRAINING CLASS FOR THE VERSAILLES FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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

Police Lieutenant McGee expressed the gratitude of the Versailles Police Department to all of the community partners that provided assistance to an multi-vehicle accident and fire on I-64 on Friday night that resulted in several fatalities. Mayor Dake also expressed sympathy on behalf of the City for all of those families that lost a loved one.

Mayor Dake gave a small Versailles flag to Scott White of The Woodford Sun and stated that she would order ten more small flags so the council members could each have one.

Mayor Dake adjourned the meeting without objections.

	APPROVED:
	LAURA DAKE, MAYOR
ATTEST:	
ELIZABETH C. REYNOLDS, CITY CLERK	