**Versailles Community Betterment**

**Downtown Beautification Sub-committee**

**Minutes from December 11, 2017 Meeting**

1. Welcome Becky Callaghan to the group!
2. The mural is almost done and ready for Apple Festival! Thanks to Jennifer Avey and all of her hard work and creativity!
3. Mike Kilkenny talked with the Commissioners about landscaping. They are still working on the ADA ramp so it will most likely be spring before anything can be planted. The next Commissioners meeting is September 18 at 10:00 a.m.
4. Mike completed the siding on the Pawn Shop on Newton. It looks great!
5. Laura Cabrera had a great article published on Forbes.com about places to live while being an entrepreneur.
6. The team is working on the Chinese restaurant corner building. **Contact Sharon Dear to participate in the cleaning, painting and caulking.** Rosalie and Laura are investigating curtain materials. Ellen has contacted Carol Jones at the Museum to explore using some historical artifacts for a window display “on loan from the Museum.”
7. Jacquie shared a fund raising opportunity for Apple Fest. We will sell sliced apples with caramel sauce. **Please contact Jacquie to sign up for a one-hour slot at the Versailles Community Betterment booth.**
8. We will also hand out flyers describing the VCB geared toward visitors and residents. Laura Cabrera will work on this with Rebecca at the print shop.
9. **Please contact Mike to assist with painting booth stripes on the street.**
10. A new committee has been formed for the VCB – the Strategic Planning Committee. We will capture short- and long-term goals which will aid in focusing activities and obtaining grants.
11. Per Mike, **be sure to record your volunteer hours** as this data will be used in upcoming grant applications, etc.
12. There is discussion about future VCB projects such as a community center and pinball arcade (somewhere for the kids to hang out.)

**Next meeting:**

Second Monday of the Month:

January 8, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m. at Sugar Mama’s