

2 October 2018 Minutes of the Regular and Committee of the Whole Meetings of the Silvis City Council held in Silvis City Hall, Council Chambers, 121 11th Street Silvis at 6:30pm.

1) Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Matt Carter called the 2 October 2018 Regular meeting of the Silvis City Council to order at 6:30pm and led the Silvis City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Roll Call:

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to call the Roll.

Members present: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Member absent: Larry York

3) Proclamations:

Liam Wilcox was awarded a flag that flew over an Army Base in Kuwait by Sergeant Jeremy Davis of the Iowa National Guard.

Mayor Matt Carter proclaimed 4 October 2018 “Optimist International Centennial Day” in Silvis.

4) Guest Speaker: None

5) Public Comment: None

6) Consent Agenda:

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to read the Consent Agenda dated 2 October 2018. Clerk Nelson read the Consent Agenda dated 2 October 2018. Mayor Carter asked if anything needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda dated 2 October 2018.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 18 October 2018. Motion was seconded by Alderman Ian Pavelonis.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

7) Items removed from the Consent Agenda: None

8) Special Non-Consent:

A) Public Works

Item 1) Engineering fees for Oakwood Hills & 8th Avenue

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve the Engineering costs submitted by IMEG for the Engineering of the Oakwood Hills outlet onto 1st Street and the engineering fees needed for 8th Avenue East of 10th Street in the amount not to exceed \$42,000.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

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8) Special Non-Consent: (continued)

B) Ordinance

Item 1) Ordinance 2018-45 Abandoned & Nuisance Vehicle Ordinance

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2018-45 an ordinance abandoned and nuisance vehicles within the City of Silvis.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Motion carried via voice vote

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-45 an ordinance abandoned and nuisance vehicles within the City of Silvis.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

C) Economic Development

Item 1) Ordinance 2018-46 amending Weber Auto Group Service Center project

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2018-46 an ordinance amending the Weber Auto Group Service Center project redevelopment agreement.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Motion carried via voice vote.

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-46 an ordinance amending the Weber Auto Group Service Center project redevelopment agreement.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

9) Attorney's Report: None

10) City Administrator's Report: None

11) City Engineer's Report: None

12) City Treasurer's Report: None

13) City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Jim Nelson gave a report on the progress of the "Sweep Accounts" that has been implemented in the City of Silvis. The City of Silvis has combined the majority of our 33 checking accounts into basically two operating accounts, not counting the pension accounts. The advantage of this is the City of Silvis will be able to collect a higher rate of return on the money we have in the bank. Clerk Nelson reported that for the first full month after the completion of the combination the city checking accounts and money markets and the city earned over \$8,000 on the account versus \$1,400 which was the normal interest earned during a month.

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13) City Clerk's Report: (continued)

Clerk Nelson reported that the additional interest earned over the course of a year will allow for an additional \$70,000 per year in income to the City of Silvis. Clerk Nelson then gave a report on the elections Clerk Nelson reported that he has received the deed to 116 9th Street.

14) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Matt Carter thanked Council for allowing him and Alderman Joshua Dyer attended the IML Conference in Chicago. Mayor Carter reported that he and Alderman Dyer were able to attend several different meeting that were relevant to the operation of the City. Mayor Carter reported that the most interesting class was the transportation of alcohol within the City limits by an UBER driver or a third party driver that does not carry a liquor license. Mayor Carter noted that it was very interesting how the regulation of that has now fallen on the shoulders of the municipality even though the State of Illinois allows this to happen. Mayor carter noted that this is something that not only Silvis needs to look into but the whole Illinois Quad Cities needs to look into. Mayor Carter noted that the Quad Cities should have a uniform ordinance to control this. Mayor Carter said you do not pay for the alcohol on delivery you pay for the alcohol online. Mayor Carter noted that it still needs to be verified that whoever receives the alcohol is 21 an can legally consume said alcohol. Mayor Carter said the fines start off at \$1,000 in one community in the Chicago area. Mayor Carter then reported on the Silvis news and the success of the opportunity to keep the public informed of upcoming events in the City. Mayor Carter informed Council that the bulk pickup for the Fall will be the week of October 15th and Trick or Treat will be October 31st from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. Mayor Carter also announced that Drug take back Day will be on October 27th at the Silvis Police Department, 600 Illini Drive

15) Call for adjournment from the Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council.

Mayor Matt Carter said if there was no more business to be brought before the 2 October 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to adjourn from the 2 October 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote.

The 2 October 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 6:50pm.

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16) Call Committee of the Whole to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Matt Carter called the 18 October 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:50pm and asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to call the Roll.

Roll Call

Members present: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Members absent: Larry York

17) Public Comment:

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18) Agenda items for discussion

A) Public Works

Item 1) *Repair of a storm sewer at 11th Street and 20th Avenue*

Discussion:

Alderman Rick Lohse discussed repairs needed to storm sewer system at 20th Ave & 11th at a after reviewing three bids the committee recommends that the cost not to exceed \$18,000 with the work to be performed by Laud Construction.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to place repairs to storm sewer at 20th Avenue & 11th Street at a cost not to exceed \$18,000 by Laud Construction on the 16 October 2018.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Ian Pavelonis.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

B) Ordinance

Item 1) *Ordinance 2018-48 amending the City of Silvis Hotel Motel Tax*

Discussion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis discussed Ordinance 2018-48 an ordinance amending Chapter 86, Article 5, Sections 86 through 100 and Section 101 of the Silvis Code of Ordinances raising the Hotel Motel tax to 7%.

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to place Ordinance 2018-48 an ordinance amending Chapter 86, Article 5, Sections 86 through 100 and Section 101 of the Silvis Code of Ordinances on the 16 October 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

C) Economic Development

Item 1) *Advertising Campaign*

Discussion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall discussed a joint advertising campaign with the Silvis Business association to have a television ad at WQAD TV to promote the City of Silvis and their Businesses. Alderwoman Hall noted that this has been discussed at committee and the cost will be \$1,350 a year for the City. The Economic Development committee recommended that we participate in this at the same cost as last year.

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to place the advertising with WQAD TV at a cost of \$1,350 on the 16 October 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

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18) Agenda items for discussion

C) Economic Development

Item 1) *Advertising Campaign (continued)*

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

Item 2) *Ordinance 2018-49 Weber Auto Group Retail Strip Mall*

Discussion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall discussed the Ordinance 2018-49 a TIF redevelopment agreement with Weber Auto Group an agreement for property on the East end of 1st Avenue between 15th and 16th Street and will assist with the payment of remediation. Alderman Rick Lohse asked if this is the agreement we made with Weber on the property on 15th Street and 1st Avenue last year. City Administrator Grafton answered that this is the same piece of property only this is an amendment to that agreement. Alderman Lohse asked if this is for demolition. Mr. Grafton answered this is an amendment for remediation of the property that has the gas station.

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to place Ordinance 2018-49 a TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Weber Auto Group retail Strip Mall on the 16 October 2018 agenda for approval. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

Item 3) *Ordinance 2018-50 UTHS IGA*

Discussion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall discussed an intergovernmental agreement between UTHS High School District #30 and the City of Silvis. Alderwoman Hall noted that the High School Building Trades came to us and asked for the cost of the foundation. Alderwoman Hall noted that we did agree to give \$10,000 toward the cost of the foundation (\$20,000). Alderman Hall noted that is the same amount we give in other homeowner agreements. Mayor Carter asked if this is supported through the TIF. Alderwoman Hall answered yes.

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to place Ordinance 2018-50 an IGA with UTHS High School District #30 on the 16 October 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1

D) Negotiations, Personnel & Employee Insurance

Item 1) *Fire Chief Job Description*

*****This item removed and referred to Ordinance committee*****

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18) Agenda items for discussion (continued)

D) Negotiations, Personnel & Employee Insurance

Item 2) Policy on Employee Payroll Cash Advance

Discussion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell discussed the proposed policy on a payroll advance. Alderman Rockwell noted that an employee can only take a pay advance twice a year. Employee may not take more than \$1,000 at any time. Employees are allowed to only take an advance on money earned and are not allowed to borrow from anticipated earnings, vacation, personal time or sick time. Alderman Rick Lohse noted that this is only allowed on money already earned. Alderman Lohse noted that there are no taxpayer money or fees involved. Alderman Rockwell this is just an emergency fund type of deal.

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to place Resolution 2018-51-R establishing a policy for advanced pay on the 16 October 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Joshua Dyer.

Vote:

Members voting aye: Tony Trulson, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1

19) Staff Reports

A) Fire Department

Fire Chief John Winters reported that he is in the process of doing an ISO survey that is taken every 5 years to evaluate the fire suppression abilities of the Fire Department. Chief Winters noted he is working with Mr. Grafton and Chief VanKlaveren because it does involve Public Works and Public Safety dispatch. The ISO will be in town November 7th. Chief Winters also stated that he is also in the process of applying for a grant for training equipment. This is the assistance to fire fighters grant. It is a grant given out through FEMA and does require a 5% match and I am not familiar with the exact numbers yet. Chief Winters noted that this grant is due to be turned in by the 25th of October. Chief Winters also noted that he has been working with the Pierce representative to spec out and get ready to purchase a new fire truck. Chief Winters noted that they have pretty much have the Fire Engine completely planned out along with pricing. Chief Winters notified Alderman Trulson he will need a Public Safety meeting to discuss the purchase of a new Fire Engine and it should be a joint meeting with Finance.

B) Inspections: None

C) Police:

Police Chief Mark VanKlaveren reported on the Drug Take Back Day at the PD located at 600 Illini Drive on October 27th in the Parking lot from 10:00am until 2:00pm. Chief VanKlaveren then talked about our siren at the 9th Street water tower. There will be a RMS ETSB meeting today and the ETSB is going to invest over \$200,000 in our siren system throughout the Quad Cities to consolidate all the sirens in the area a total of 38 alarms. Chief VanKlaveren noted that each City will be responsible for their own siren and the ETSB will pay for all the infrastructure. This all has to do with the consolidation of dispatch centers and the sirens will be set off from there. This will be linked to the weather service and hopefully that will help fix our 9th Street

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C) Police:

problem. Chief VanKlaveren then gave a report on the discussions between Silvis Schools & Northeast Jr. High, Dr. Teri VandeWiele and Jim Grafton about a Police Officer for the schools. The school district is interested in having a Police Liaison Officer at Northeast Jr. High. They are willing to pay the City some money for this. Chief stated if you need any more information about this Mr. Grafton or I could talk to you about this if you have any questions. Chief Mark VanKlaveren said on his end he will be looking for a long term commitment from them and some monetary contribution commitment. Chief noted that he will probably need to hire another Police Officer but with the funding and commitment from the school this might work.

D) Public Works & Parks:

Public Works Director Jim Grafton said he wanted to report that on the 25th of September we did close on the Public Safety Building, new owner will take possession on Monday 8 October 2018. Mr. Grafton noted that we will continue to operate Fire Station #1 out of that location for up to two years. The lease will be to continue to pay for the utilities until we vacate the building completely. The Fire Chief and his staff are moving their items from Station 1 to Station #2. Another property that we will close on is 116 8th Street directly behind the Library and those owners have signed the purchase agreement. Mr. Grafton brought up the Police presence at the school and the school district is willing to pay 60% of the wages for a period of 5 years. That is a commitment from the Silvis Schools. . Mr. Grafton noted that QCOMM will go live on January 8th 2019.

20) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Tony Trulson asked Jim Grafton and Chief Mark VanKlaveren why the Silvis Police would be the presence at Northeast Jr. High School in East Moline IL. Chief VanKlaveren noted that Alderman Trulson was correct, but the majority of the children there are from Silvis and we would work out an intergovernmental agreement with EMPD. Alderman Trulson then called a joint Public Safety Finance meeting on Monday 8 October 2018 to be held at 5:30pm to discuss the purchase of a new Fire Truck. Alderman Trulson said how much he enjoyed the news article about completion of QCOMM by the middle of November. Alderman Ian Pavelonis called a meeting for Monday October 8th at 5:45pm to discuss the job description for the Fire Chief. Alderwoman Kathy Hall told Clerk Nelson his staff did a nice job on the sweep account and that will benefit the City of Silvis greatly. Alderman Joshua Dyer thanked Council for allowing him and Mayor Carter attend the IML Conference in Chicago. Alderman Dyer talked about energy savings and sister cities. Alderman Dyer then discussed an education project that he felt we should look at. Apparently it is totally ok to spend TIF money on education reimbursement if they work for a company who are located in a TIF. This is a great way to encourage people to come to Silvis to live and work.

21) Closed Session-None

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22) Adjournment

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from the 2 October 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to adjourn from the 18 September 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 2 October 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:15pm

Submitted by,


Jim Nelson, CMC
City Clerk