

21 November 2017 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 21 November 2017 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, Larry York, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Member absent: Todd Malmstrom

3) Proclamations:

Mayor Matt Carter recognized Silvis Boy Scout Troop 113 and its Leaders as they disbanded their troop, for the excellent work they have done over the 59 years of the troop's existence and how the troop has served thousands of young Silvis area men. Mayor Matt Carter presented Silvis Boy Scout Troop 113 with their Charter Flag that had flown over Silvis Public Safety Building on November 20th and November 21st. Scout Leader Steve Bergland accepted the Charter Flag from Mayor Carter and handed it over to Optimist Club member Martin Schmidt.

4) Guest Speaker:

Reverend Joye Perry spoke to Council about the successes of the Christ United Methodist Silvis Campus Food Pantry and how many people it is serving. Christ United Methodist Church Silvis Campus Food Pantry is now accepting donations of food and money. The hours of operation each week are Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00am until 3:00pm

5) Public Comment

Silvis Deputy City Clerk Andrea Gryp thanked Council and reported to Council that she has completed year two of the Municipal Clerks of Illinois and is in line to receive her certifications as a Registered Municipal Clerk and a Certified Municipal Clerk.

6) Consent Agenda:

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to read the Consent Agenda dated 21 November 2017. Clerk Nelson read the Consent Agenda dated 21 November 2017. Mayor Carter asked if anything needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda dated 21 November 2017. Mayor Carter asked for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda dated 21 November 2017.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 21 November 2017. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

7) Items removed from the Consent Agenda: None

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8) Special Non-Consent:

A) Ordinance

Item 1) Ordinance to allow for monthly billing & define Cycles

Alderman Ian Pavelonis performed the First Reading of Ordinance 2017-43

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Silvis, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 94-128 is hereby amended by adding the following definitions:

Cycle 1) If your property is located in Cycle 1 for billing purposes your meters are read the first full week of January, April, July and October and your billing dates will be the 1st day of February, May August and November. Your bill will be for the three months prior to your read date.

Cycle 2) If your property is located in Cycle 2 for billing purposes your meters are read the first full week of February, May, August and November and your billing dates will be the 1st day of March, June, September and December. Your bill will be for the three months prior to your read date.

Cycle 3) If your property is located in Cycle 3 for billing purposes your meters are read the first full week of March, June, September and December and your billing dates will be the 1st day of April, July, October and January. Your bill will be for the three months prior to your read date.

Commercial Billing Cycle 5 & 6) If your property is considered a commercial account then your meters are read the first full week of the month and you will be billed on the 1st day of each month. Your bill will be for the month prior to the read date.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed insofar as they so conflict.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage and published as provided by law.

Item 2) Ordinance to allow for the transfer of balances between established accounts.

Alderman Ian Pavelonis performed the First Reading of Ordinance 2017-44

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Silvis, Illinois as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 94-146 is hereby amended by adding the following:

The owner of multiple accounts shall be allowed to transfer positive balances from one account to another.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed insofar as they so conflict.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage and published as provided by law.

B) Economic Development

Item 1) RDA with McClintock Trucking & Excavating 2017-42

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2017-42 an ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a tax increment financing (TIF) district redevelopment agreement by and between the City of Silvis and McClintock Trucking and Excavating. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker

Motion carried via voice vote

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-42 an ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a tax increment financing (TIF) district redevelopment agreement by and between the City of Silvis and McClintock Trucking and Excavating

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker

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8) Special Non-Consent:

B) Economic Development

Item 1) RDA with McClintock Trucking & Excavating 2017-42 (continued)

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

C) Finance

Item 1) Enterprise Ordinance 2017-41

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2017-41 an ordinance Establishing an Enterprise Zone In The City of East Moline, Illinois, City of Moline, Illinois, City of Rock Island, Illinois, City of Silvis, Illinois, Village of Milan, Illinois And Rock Island County, Illinois.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

Motion carried via voice vote.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2017-41 an ordinance Establishing an Enterprise Zone In The City of East Moline, Illinois, City of Moline, Illinois, City of Rock Island, Illinois, City of Silvis, Illinois, Village of Milan, Illinois And Rock Island County, Illinois. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

Item 2) Motion to allow the Mayor and City Clerk to sign IGA to establish the Enterprise Zone

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve allowing the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the IGA establishing the Enterprise Zone

Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

Item 3) Audit for fiscal year ending 30 April 2017

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve the Annual Audit for fiscal year ending 30 April 2017 for the City of Silvis Illinois. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

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9) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Matt Carter reported that Christmas in Silvis event sponsored by Silvis Main Street will be Saturday December the 2nd from 4:30pm until 7:00pm. Mayor Carter read a communication from Governor Bruce Rauner (see attached) explaining the Illinois Bi-Centennial and Flag. The Governor would like to see the Bi-Centennial Flag to fly over the City after the flag raising ceremony on Monday December 4th at noon. Mayor Carter then showed the Council and guests the Illinois Bicentennial Flag. Mayor Carter thanked 1st Ward Aldermen Larry York and Tony Trulson for the fabulous Veterans Day Celebration. We did receive a communications from US Representative Cheri Bustos (see attached) with her Veterans Day announcement. Mayor Carter wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

10) Attorney's Report:

Attorney Graham Lee reported he received a motion in regard to the violation of the Open Meetings Act and a FOIA violation. The motion is for a directed verdict. What that is, is a motion that an Attorney will put together saying there is no actual contest of fact that both parties allegedly agree that these are the facts. And that they will add into that some affidavits of fact and things that people have alleged. Then they will try to site authority for the judge to move forward. Attorney Lee said it is very rare that this motion is allowed. We have to have both parties agree to the issues of fact and in this particular case that will not be the case. I am intending to reply to this as well as getting my own affidavits from various people who are involved in this. After the Holidays I will be working very closely with everyone to get those items together to place before the Judge. Attorney Lee said this is more a paper war at this point, but I don't believe there will be anything that will occur from the result of this. Attorney Lee said he may file himself for a directed verdict saying that there are facts of issue he just didn't explain them all. We will see what the Judge says, but most of the time if the other side knows there are issues of fact then we have to go to trial. Attorney Lee said he was letting us know this has happened and where we are on this. Anyone who has any questions on how this works please be sure to see me or give me a call. Attorney wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

11) City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Jim Grafton wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

12) City Engineer's Report: None

13) City Treasure's Report: None

14) City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Jim Nelson reminded Council to RSVP for the Milan NWML Dinner to be held on Wednesday December the 6th in the Camden Center at 5:30pm dinner at 6:30pm.

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 21 November 2017 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to adjourn from the 21 November 2017 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote.

The 21 November 2017 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:08pm.

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

Mayor Matt Carter called the 21 November 2017 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 7:08pm and asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to call the Roll.

Roll Call

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

Members absent: Todd Malmstrom

17) Public Comment: None

18) Agenda items for discussion:

A) Public Service

Item 1) Allow audio recordings of meetings be posted to the web

Discussion:

Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker discussed allowing audio recordings of Regular and Committee of the Whole meetings be posted on the website. The Public Service Committee does recommend doing that. Mayor Matt Carter asked if that would be for meetings after the motion passes. Clerk Nelson noted that this will be presented as a Resolution. Clerk Nelson noted he has done this earlier this year and after conversations with my Colleagues I should have permission from Council to do this.

Motion:

Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker made a motion to place allowing audio recordings of Regular and Committee of the Whole meetings are posted on the website on the 5 December 2017 agenda for approval. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

B) Negotiations, Personnel & Employee Insurance

Item 1) Change Employee Insurance Carrier

Discussion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell discussed changing Employee Health Insurance carrier from United Health Care to Blue Cross Blue Shield. Alderman Rockwell noted that there was no discussion.

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to place changing Employee Health Insurance carrier on 1 January 2018 from United Health Care to Blue Cross Blue Shield on the 5 December 2017 agenda for approval. Motion was seconded by Alderman Larry York.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

Item 2) Authorize Police Department to hire a new Police Officer

Discussion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell discussed hiring a next Police officer candidate from the hiring list to have ready for Police Training by January 2018.

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18) Agenda items for discussion:

B) Negotiations, Personnel & Employee Insurance (continued)

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to place hiring Police Officer candidate from the hiring list to send to PTI by January 2018 on the 5 December 2017 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Larry York.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

C) Finance

Item 1) 2017 tax levy

Discussion:

Alderman Rick Lohse discussed the 2017 tax levy. Alderman Lohse explained he had had a meeting with the Finance committee and the decision was to leave the rate that we tax our citizens the same. The City does not expect any increase in assessed valuation. Last year's Levy was \$1,570,200.05. The Levy for this year will be \$1,575,000 representing a nominal increase from assessed value. Alderwoman Kathy Hall asked what the percentage rate will be. Alderman Lohse answered 1.617 and that will not be changing. So if your house is evaluated at the same amount as last year you will have no municipal tax increase. Alderman Lohse noted that if you have read in the newspaper all the surrounding communities have increased their tax levy rates. We feel we can find the needed funds through budget cuts and our Department Heads being more conservative. Alderwoman Kathy Hall said that was good news.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to place the 2017 tax levy on the 5 December 2017 agenda for approval. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays 1 absent

19) City Staff Reports:

A) Fire Department: None

B) Inspections: None

C) Police: None

D) Public Works:

Public Works Director Jim Grafton noted that Hoerr Construction has been doing some sewer lining throughout the City. When they were wrapping up work on 16th Street Friday they ran into a little bit of a problem. The liner did not adhere to the pipe in the area of 147 16th Street. As it turns out we had a water main break going on at the same time that we did not know about above the sewer lining project. Long story short we were able to get ahold of Miller Trucking & Excavating to come in and remove a 12 foot section of sewer pipe and fix the water main break. That was repaired in about 4 hours. The good news is, I reported at the last meeting we were under budget on our sewer lining project, and I think we will still be under budget.

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20) Comments from the Alderperson's

Alderman Tony Trulson reminded everyone he has a Parks, Building & Grounds meeting at 5:00pm on Tuesday 28. We will discuss the ice skating rink and the LED signs for the Fire Station at 2010 10th Street. Alderman Larry York thanked everyone who attended the Veterans Day celebration after review. Alderwoman Kathy Hall reminded Council that tonight at Culver's in Silvis they are giving 10% of the proceeds to the Shop with a Silvis Police Officer Program.

21) Closed Session-None

22) Adjournment

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from the 21 November 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council.

Motion:

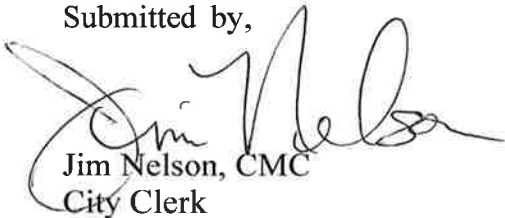
Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker made a motion to adjourn from the 21 November 2017 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 21 November 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:19pm

Submitted by,



Jim Nelson, CMC
City Clerk

