

19 June 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 19 June 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.

Member absent: Larry York, Rick Lohse.

3) Proclamations:

Mayor Matt Carter Proclaimed May to be Hero Street Month in the City of Silvis

4) Guest Speaker:

5) Public Comment: None

6) Consent Agenda:

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to read the Consent Agenda dated 19 June 2018. Clerk Nelson read the Consent Agenda dated 19 June 2018. Mayor Carter asked if anything needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda dated 19 June 2018.

Motion:

Alderman Joshua Dyer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 19 June 2018. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 6 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

7) Items removed from the Consent Agenda: None

8) Special Non-Consent:

A) Ordinance

Item 1) Ordinance 2018-27 an ordinance authorizing the County Clerk to place a referendum on Ballot to appoint the City Clerk

Alderman Ian Pavelonis performed the third Reading for Ordinance 2018-27

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-27 an ordinance of the City of Silvis for a referendum seeking a binding opinion on the question of whether the Silvis City Clerk position shall be appointed rather than elected.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

Vote:

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

B) Parks Building & Grounds

Item 1) Purchase Property (18 acres adjacent to Phipps Prairie Park) at a cost of \$200,000.

Motion:

Alderman Joshua Dyer made a motion to approve the purchase of 18 acres adjacent to Phipps Prairie Park at a cost of \$200,000. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker.

8) Special Non-Consent:

B) Parks Building & Grounds

**Item 1) Purchase Property (18 acres adjacent to Phipps Prairie Park) at a cost of \$200,000.
(continued)**

Vote:

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

Motion carried 6 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

C) Negotiations, Personnel & Employee Insurance

Item 1) Ordinance 2018-31-A

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2018-31-A an amendment to the 2018-2019 Wage & Benefit ordinance to include the newly ratified AFSCME wage scale and the increases in the Public Works summer hires wage structure.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall

Motion carried via voice vote.

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-31-A an amendment to the 2018-2019 Wage & Benefit ordinance

Motion was seconded by Alderman Ian Pavelonis.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 6 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

9) Attorney's Report: None

10) City Administrator's Report: None

11) City Engineer's Report: None

12) City Treasurer Report: None

13) City Clerk Report:

City Clerk Jim Nelson reported that the City of Silvis will have an entry in the 4th of July Parade in East Moline. The Fire Department will also be in the Parade. The Mayor or any Alderpersons that would like to be in the Parade please let me know. The City entry will be the 1940's and we will honor Hero Street.

14) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Matt Carter let everyone know when the quarterly Silvis News will come out July 27th, October 26th, January 25th 2019 and April 26th 2019 with the water sewer bills. Mayor Carter let everyone know he will consolidate to a single page. Mayor Carter informed Council that Liam Wilcox was here on last Thursday to replace the flag in front of the Public Safety Building on Flag Day. Governor Bruce Rauner heard about this and showed up at the last minute as a surprise for Liam. There will be a press conference at Hero Street Memorial Park on June 25th at 10:30am regarding the postage stamp that has been requested to Honor the 8 Heroes of Hero Street. Mayor Carter then asked Council for nominations for 2018-2019 Mayor Pro Tem. Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker made a motion to nominated Alderman Larry York to be Mayor Pro Tem Council concurred. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall. Motion carried via voice vote.

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Mayor then asked Council if they would like to move the next Council meeting to July 2nd at 6:30pm after much discussion it was decided to move the meeting to 2 July.

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 19 June 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Motion:

Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker made a motion to adjourn from the 19 June 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote.

The 19 June 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 6:51pm.

Committee of the Whole Meeting

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

Mayor Matt Carter called the 19 June 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:51pm 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.

Members Absent: Larry York, Rick Lohse

17) Public Comment:

Resident Paula Ramos spoke out about the Hero Street Monument and recommended a meeting at the Silvis Library between City Officials and Monument Board members.

18) Agenda items for discussion

A) Public Works

Item 1) Relief for a resident for a water/sewer bill

Discussion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis discussed relief for a water bill from a resident who had passed away.

Alderman Pavelonis noted it was recommended at the committee meeting on the 18th of June that the amount of the relief be \$161.99.

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to place giving relief to the resident at 1203 11th Street a water bill relief in the amount of \$161.99 on the 2 July 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Tony Trulson.

Vote:

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

Motion carried 6 ayes 0 nays 2 absent

Item 2) Purchase of a Hammer for the Back Hoe

Discussion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis discussed the purchase of a hammer for the backhoe in the amount of \$11,897.

8) Agenda items for discussion

A) Public Works

Item 2) Purchase of a Hammer for the Back Hoe (continued)

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to place the purchase of a hammer for the backhoe in the amount of \$11,897 on the 2 July 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker

B) Parks Building & Grounds

Item 1) Outdoor amplified music event at Doc's

Discussion:

Alderman Joshua Dyer discussed allowing outdoor amplified music events at Doc's Inn on July 28th, August 11th, August 24th and August 25th

19) City Staff Reports:

A) Fire Department:

Fire Chief John E. Winters reported on sending 4 firefighters to Fire College in Champaign. These 4 firefighters did excellent and came back with glowing reviews of Fire College. Chief Winters said they have done an inspection of the AT&T facility up by Old Orchard apartment and the Department tries to tour the facility every couple of years due to the abundance of electronics operating in that facility. Chief Winters noted that there was a combined training and the did training for rescue of downed firefighters. Chief Winters informed Council he did receive his Officer 2 classification through the State Fire Marshal's Office. We did have a lot of false alarms over the weekend, but I feel the heat was over taxing the alarm systems and triggering the false alarms. Chief Winters did inform Council that they did free an elderly woman from an elevator. Chief Winters reported that there was a series of 5 fires in trees alongside a house that were on fire and that could have been a fireworks related.

B) Inspections: None

C) Police Department:

Police Chief Mark VanKlaveren informed Council that he will meet with the Department of Homeland Security tomorrow at the Sikh Gurdwara to talk about a safety plan for them. Their leadership wants to retouch that issue. Chief VanKlaveren asked for a Joint Public Safety, Ordinance, Finance meeting to discuss Chief, Deputy Chief and a budgeted item vests. Mayor Carter asked if the job descriptions have been forwarded to Alderman Rockwell for the Personnel committee.

D) Public Works:

Jim Grafton Public Works Director/City Administrator gave Council an update on QCOMM and information he picked up from an ETSB Board meeting. Mr. Grafton reported that the Village of Milan had requested that the additional money that will be distributed (\$67,000) per month be used to build out the Dispatch Center in Milan. The ETSB unanimously approved spending just over \$2M toward the construction of the Dispatch Center. The good news on that is the Cities involved are not going fund the build out. The other good news is the involved Cities would have a zero lease to rent that facility from Milan. This has not been written down as an agreement but that is what we were told. The deadline to be up and operating is December 31st. In the meantime we are going to continue to work with our dispatchers to provide a contract so when QCOMM is open there will be a CBA that will blend the four communities involved together. Alderwoman

19) City Staff Reports:

D) Public Works (continued)

Kathy Hall asked what the \$67,000 per month was used for in the past. Mr. Grafton answered, that this is new money. The money that was collected on the cell phone bills prior to this increase went to operate the 911 Board. There was a ruling from an Attorney that these additional funds could be used for the construction costs. This is a different Policy Change for the ETSB and it has not been done in the past. Mr. Grafton noted that when we built our new Police Station or when Rock Island built their new Police Station funds were not available to be used for construction. So this is a change in the ETSB policy. There was a discussion that followed about the completion of the Dispatch center and policies of the ETSB. Mayor Carter praised our Police Chief and City Administrator for saving the City of Silvis and the other communities from paying for a \$2M+ bond for the buildout.

20) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Tony Trulson called a joint Public Safety, Ordinance and Finance meeting to be held on Monday 2 July 2018 at 6:00pm to discuss Chief, Deputy Chief and 10 new vests

Alderwoman Kathy Hall called an Economic Development committee meeting for Friday June 22nd at 9:15am to discuss proposed changes in the Dragonfly Endeavors RDA. Alderwoman

Caryn Unsicker thanked the Police Chief and City Administrator Jim Grafton for always watching out for the best interests of Silvis citizens. Alderman Josh Dyer thanked the Chief of Police and the City Administrator for making sure we are always doing the right thing for Silvis.

Alderman Dyer also thanked Inspector Lupinski, Police Chief VanKlaveren and Fire Chief Winters for the tour of all the buildings in Silvis.

21) Executive session: None

22) Adjournment

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from the 19 June 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to adjourn from the 19 June 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 19 June 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:16pm

Submitted by,

Jim Nelson, CMC
City Clerk