

16 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 16 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: None

4) Guest Speaker:

Silvis School District #34 Superintendent Dr. Terri VandeWiele

Dr. Terri VandeWiele spoke to Silvis City Council about the proposed cooperative effort between the Silvis School District #34 and the City of Silvis to fund a School Liaison Police Officer. The proposal from the Silvis School Board is to fund 60% of the cost of the Liaison Officer for a period of 5 years through an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Silvis and the Silvis School Board.

5) Public Comment: None

6) Consent Agenda:

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to read the Consent Agenda dated 16 October 2018. Clerk Nelson read the Consent Agenda dated 16 October 2018. Mayor Carter asked if anything needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda dated 16 October 2018.

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 16 October 2018. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

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) Laud Construction of failing storm sewer at 20th Avenue and 11th Street

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve the bid by Laud Construction to repair the Storm Sewer and Street at 20th Avenue and 11th Street at a cost not to exceed \$18,000.

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

8) Special Non-Consent (continued)

B) Ordinance

Item 1) Ordinance 2018-48 Hotel Motel Tax raising the tax from 5% to 7%

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2018-48 an ordinance amending Chapter 86 taxation, Article 5, Sections 86 through 100 and Section 101 of the Silvis Code of Ordinances. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse

****Motion carried via voice vote****

Motion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-48 an ordinance amending Chapter 86, Taxation, Article 5, Sections 86 through 100 and Section 101 of the Silvis Code of Ordinances. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall

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) Economic Development

Item 1) Ordinance 2018-49 TIF Redevelopment Agreement with Weber Retail Strip Center

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2018-49 an ordinance authorizing and executing the First Amendment to the Weber Auto Retail Strip Mall Agreement. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bob Rockwell.

****Motion carried via voice vote****

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-49 an ordinance authorizing and executing the First Amendment to the Weber Auto Retail Strip Mall Agreement. 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

Item 2) Ordinance 2018-50 UTHS IGA

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance 2018-50 an ordinance authorizing and approving the execution of an IGA by and between the City of Silvis and United Township High School District #30.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker.

****Motion carried by voice vote****

Motion:

Alderwoman Kathy Hall made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-50 an ordinance authorizing and approving the execution of an IGA by and between the City of Silvis and United Township High School District #30. 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

9) Attorney's Report: None

10) City Administrator's Report:

City Administrator Jim Grafton reported that he is working on the 2018 tax levy. What is good is our EAV is up which will result in about a \$30,000 increase based on the increase in the EAV. Mr. Grafton said the next thing he wanted to report on is the partnering with the City of Moline on an Illinois Affordable Housing Trust Fund for single family rehab. What this allows is up to \$10,000 for slow to severely low income homes that need repairs. We partnered with the City of Moline on a lead abatement grant and that worked out well and they have asked us to participate with them on this as well. There is no charge to participate and no match for that program. The hard part is identifying the households that need the assistance. Mr. Grafton did get confirmation that we did get approved for the Enterprise Zone for 10 more years effective January 1 2019.

11) City Engineer's Report: None

12) City Treasurer's Report: None

13) City Clerk's Report:

Clerk Jim Nelson announced that paperwork for Partisan Candidates for the 2019 Municipal consolidated primary elections on 26 February 2019 is available at City Hall or online at www.illinoisboardofelections.org and can be circulated for signatures. The filing period for partisan candidates for the 26 February 2019 Consolidated Primary is November 19th through November 26th. Independent, new Political party candidates and non-partisan candidates who will filing for the 2 April 2019 consolidated election may begin circulating their petitions starting September 18th 2018, the filing period for those candidates will be from December 10th through December 17th 2018. Clerk Nelson then noted that the positions up for election in the City of Silvis this election cycle are 1st Ward Alderman, 2nd Ward Alderman, 3rd Ward Alderman and 4th Ward Alderman all of those terms expire in 2023. We also will be electing a 4th Ward Alderman to fill the seat of an Alderman that was elected in 2017. Alderman Josh Dyer is appointed to that seat now. Clerk Nelson reminded all candidates that they need to also turn in a Statement of Economic Interest along with their filing petitions. Clerk Nelson reported that the annual Treasurers report will be published in the newspaper.

14) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Matt Carter thanked Attorney Lee and Jim Grafton for their work obtaining the properties located at 116 9th Street and 119 8th Street. Mayor Matt Carter clarified the passage of the Enterprise zone that will take effect January 1st 2019 and will expire December 31st 2033 for 15 calendar years. Mayor Carter noted that Hero Street Monument committee is planning 3 fundraisers selling enchiladas at \$15 a dozen Oct 20th through the 24th, October 28th and the 29th, delivery will be the 5th of November through November 14th. This fundraiser is to help defray the cost of maintaining the Monument on the corner of 1st Avenue and Hero Street. Mayor noted that Main Street thanked us for the donation of \$4,000 for the Moonlight Parade. The Moonlight Parade made a profit of \$3,684.95 and some of the Money will be to run the Christmas in Silvis. Main Street Amanda Sherwood has invited 70 business owners in two different sessions getting to know what Main Street is and how it can benefit them. October 17th at noon at the Railhouse and October 18th at 6:30pm at El Pueblo. Next promotional meeting will be held on Tuesday the 23rd at 6:30pm at the Library. Mayor Carter wanted everyone to be aware of Fall Park Hours from October 1st to May 1st from 8:00am until 8:00pm. Trick or Treat October 31 5:00pm until 8:00pm. Optimist Club wiener roast is from 6:00pm until 8:00pm. Mayor Carter reminded all

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that early voting in Silvis Council Chambers from October 22nd through November 2nd from 10:00am until 4:00pm also our next Council Meeting is on Wednesday November 7th due to Council Chambers being used as a voting center. Trunk or Treat October 27th at the Silvis Library from 4:00pm until 6:00pm.

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 16 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 16 October 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote.

The 16 October 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 6:59pm.

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

Mayor Matt Carter called the 16 October 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:59pm 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:

18) Agenda items for discussion

A) Public Safety

Item 1) Purchase of a new Fire Truck

Discussion:

Alderman Tony Trulson discussed purchase of a new Fire Truck. Fire Chief John Winters explained that we need to replace a 30 year old Fire Engine next year. Chief Winters noted that the average life span of a Fire engine in the United States is 20 years and we have been able to get an extra 10 years out of this one but it now needs to be replaced. Chief Winters noted that he has been working with Pierce manufacturing to spec out a new Fire Engine along with pricing. Chief Winters told Council that the City will have the opportunity to purchase the Fire Engine through HDAC pricing (Houston Dallas Area Consortium) that will save approximately \$30 to \$40 thousand. Alderman Rick Lohse asked Chief Winters if the estimate is still around \$640,000. Chief Winters explained that the reason he asked for more money is they plan on making a couple of trips to Appleton, Wisconsin to the Pierce plant as the Engine is being manufactured there may be changes on site. Alderman Lohse asked about the low interest loan through the Illinois State Fire Marshal. Chief Winters said he had been in contact with the State Fire Marshal's office right now the loan is 1.86% and that is lower than what we could get from a bank. Chief Winters said the application has to be in by the end of the month, there is no fee to apply but if we get the loan there is a \$500 processing fee. Chief Winters said at this point we could secure financing at another bank and if we get that loan pay, that loan down with the Fire Marshal's loan. The Fire Marshal loan is a fixed rate 20 year loan at 1.86% and the highest he has ever seen it is 2.25%. Alderman Lohse asked how long you anticipate the build to take.

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18) Agenda items for discussion

A) Public Safety

Item 1) Purchase of a new Fire Truck

Discussion: (continued)

Chief Winters said he figured about 9 months from purchase to build and he felt the money from the Fire Marshal's loan would be available June 1st 2019. Chief Winters said if we start the build in November we are looking at a July or August completion. Alderman Lohse asked Jim Grafton if he had begun looking at financing. Jim Grafton answered yes. Alderman Lohse asked Jim Grafton if he sees any major equipment purchases in the next year to five years. Mr. Grafton answered in the next year, "no" in the next 5 years, "yes". Alderman Trulson asked if there were any more questions.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to place Purchase of a new Fire Truck on the Wednesday 7 November 2018 agenda for approval. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Cary Unsicker.

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) Public Works

Item 1) Relief on a delinquent commercial water bill

Discussion:

Alderman Rick Lohse discussed relief of a delinquent commercial water bill associated to the Trio Enterprises Car Wash on Crosstown Avenue. Alderman Lohse noted that the bill is \$2547.56 including late fees and penalties. We have negotiated with them to pay \$1499.34 which is the bill less penalties and the water is off. Clerk Nelson noted that since April of last year there has been no water usage (0 consumption) but since we could not turn the water off at the time but, since the water was not shut off the bill continued to grow and the penalties increased. I think this is a fair settlement.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to place relief for a delinquent water bill of \$1272.83 plus lien fees on the Wednesday 7 November 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

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) Purchase of a snow blade for the Parks Department

Discussion:

Alderman Rick Lohse discussed purchase of a snow bade for the Parks Department at a cost of \$2,204 from Pillar Equipment.

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18) Agenda items for discussion (continued)

B) Public Works

Item 2) Purchase of a snow blade for the Parks Department

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to place the purchase of a snow bade for the Parks Department at a cost of \$2,204 from Pillar Equipment. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall

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) Ordinance

Item 1) Amend Section 38-32 Fire Chief Job Description in the Silvis Code of Ordinances

Discussion:

Alderman Ian Pavelonis discussed the need to amend the Fire Chief Job Description to update the driver's license requirement to a Class B non CDL in sec 38-32.

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to amend section 38-32 of the Silvis Code of Ordinances to update the Fire Chief Job description. 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

D) Negotiations, Personnel & Employee Insurance

Item 1) Allow Civil Service to begin testing for a Clerk in the City Clerk's Office

Discussion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell discussed allowing the Civil Service to begin testing to establish a list for Clerk in the City Clerk's Office.

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to place allowing Civil Service to begin testing for a Clerk in the City Clerk's Office on the Wednesday 7 November 2018 agenda for approval

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall

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) Allow the hiring of a new Public Works employee from the established hiring list

Discussion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell discussed hiring of a Public Works employee from the current list.

Motion:

Alderman Bob Rockwell made a motion to place the hiring a new Public Works employee on the Wednesday 7 November 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall

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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19) City Staff Reports

A) Fire Department:

Fire Chief John Winters reported that the 9th Street storm siren is fixed RayCom has replaced everything that needed to be replaced and tested the siren. Chief Winters noted that the Fire Department is hosting a Hazardous Material classes. This is combination classroom and hands on training. Chief Winters invited all to attend on October 24th for the practical training on 8:00am Mayor Carter thought the retirees enjoyed the life line flight land at the Fire Station.

B) Inspections:

Tom Lupinski explained that the UTHS Building trades house foundation is in the ground and the Gold Star FS Building is going up.

C) Police:

Chief Mark VanKlaveren reminded everyone that Drug Take Back *from* 10:00am until 2:00pm on Saturday October 27th. Chief VanKlaveren noted that he called the last person on his hiring list and she voluntarily removed herself from the list. Chief also noted that the HVAC system has broken down at the new PD, the compressor went bad. Chief noted that the compressor is covered under the warrantee but the labor is not under warrantee so we will have to pay a little for that, Chief VanKlaveren explained that due to the malfunction the coolant turns to acid and had to be mediated. Chief put in for a grant for the bulletproof vest program and we were awarded that grant so out of the \$7600 we spend on vests this year we will receive \$3,800 back from the Federal Government as a reimbursement. Chief said in order to qualify we need an up to date policy on wearing of the vests. Chief noted that vehicle burglaries are up and they are 12 to 16 year old children. Chief noted that these kids are not breaking into anything all they are doing is checking doors and looking for keys. Chief noted lock your car. Chief Mark noted that we can bypass buying a new car next year and look at body cameras. Chief VanKlaveren noted that carbon Cliff had a meth lab bust and he would like to help train the Fire crew on safety if they run into any Meth labs.

D) Public Works: None

20) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Tony Trulson called a Public Safety Meeting /Personnel meeting on Friday 19 October 2018 at 2:30pm to discuss the hiring of a new Police officer. Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker was interested if the City had received any SWAG money yet. Clerk Nelson answered not yet.

21) Closed Session-None

22) Adjournment

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from the 16 October 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to adjourn from the 16 October 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 16 October 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:22pm

Submitted by,



