

**4 December 2018 Minutes of the Regular and Committee of the Whole Meetings of the Silvis City Council held in Silvis City Hall, Council Chambers, 121 11<sup>th</sup> Street Silvis at 6:30pm.**

**1) Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Matt Carter called the 4 December 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, Larry York, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse

Member absent: None

**3) Proclamations: None**

**4) Guest Speaker: None**

**5) Public Comment:**

Former Mayor Bill Fox chastised the City Administration (Mayor Carter and Clerk Nelson) for a mistake that was made in refunding a \$100 deposit for a rental he had cancelled.

Mayor Fox noted that since he is a former elected official he has the right to rent the McGhee Center at no deposit and the City returned his deposit. The check was dated 5 October 2018 and the City was not advised of the mistake until this evening 4 December.

The second speaker was Aaron Carroll, a Roman Catholic resident of Silvis addressed Council about the high property taxes and that the people in authority respect the rights of those in a lower authority. Mr. Carroll spoke of the irresponsibility of local, county or State governments. Mr. Carroll went on to talk about the over taxation in our society that does little to solve problems and takes away our freedoms of citizens to make their own choices.

**6) Consent Agenda:**

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Jim Nelson to read the Consent Agenda dated 4 December 2018. Clerk Nelson read the Consent Agenda dated 4 December 2018. Mayor Carter asked if anything needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda dated 4 December 2018.

***Motion:***

Alderman Joshua Dyer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 4 December 2018. Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

***Vote:***

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0 absent

**7) Items removed from the Consent Agenda: None**

**8) Special Non-Consent:**

**A) Public Works**

**Item 1) Certificate #1 for 2018 sealcoat project**

***Motion:***

Alderman Larry York made a motion to pay certificate #1 to Tri City Blacktop in the Amount of \$69,919.77 from MFT for the work performed on the 2018 Sealcoat project.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

**8) Special Non-Consent:**

**A) Public Works**

**Item 1) Certificate #1 for 2018 sealcoat project (continued)**

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0

**Item 2) Certificate #2 (Final Pay) for 2018 sealcoat project**

**Motion:**

Alderman Larry York made a motion to pay certificate #2 (Final Pay) to Tri City Blacktop in the Amount of \$1,426.94 (Final Pay) from MFT for the work performed on the 2018 Sealcoat project.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0

**Item 3) Engineering Fees for 2018 Sealcoat project.**

**Motion:**

Alderman Larry York made a motion to pay Engineering fees to IMEG in the amount of \$5,544.28 for the work performed on the 2018 Sealcoat project. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0

**B) Finance**

**Motion:** Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to suspend the rules to consider a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-59 the 2018 tax levy.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

**Vote:**

Motion carried via voice vote.

**Motion:**

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-59 the 2018 Tax Levy.

Motion was seconded by Alderwoman Kathy Hall.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0

**9) Attorney's Report: None**

**10) City Administrator's Report:**

Mr. Jim Grafton reported that at the next meeting we are going to have a speaker to talk about energy solutions. This is a solar company that will plan to prepare an energy case analysis. I thought I would give everyone a heads up. I will give everyone a letter but I just wanted everyone know that we are continuing to look at other alternative sources of solar power and other types of energy savings. This is no cost to the City and no obligation. The second item I wanted to report on was the Molo Property, 1540 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, has been sold and we have

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**10) City Administrator's Report: (continued)**

environmental work scheduled to begin on Thursday, with demolition to begin shortly after. Mr. Grafton also reported that the snow storm that hit Silvis on November 25<sup>th</sup> took 115 tons of salt, 104 overtime hours and cost the city \$84,571.00.

**11) City Engineer's Report: None**

**12) City Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Armstrong said that her report was in the packet, but she had nothing else at this time.

**13) City Clerk's Report:**

Clerk Nelson stated that petitions circulated for Independent candidates have filing period of December 10- December 17. City of Silvis needs candidates for Wards: 1,2,3 and 4. Also, need to fill seat that former Alderman Todd Malmstrom held.

**14) Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Matt Carter read letters from residents stating their pleasure with the street department for the great job they did with snow removal during last week's storm. Garden Club Christmas is December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.- please RSVP for that to Kathy Hall. Mayor Carter stated that in 1993 our tax levy was 1.6714, and in 2017, the levy is 1.6166 and reiterating that our city is in great shape, especially compared to surrounding cities, as theirs is increasing and ours is remaining low. He also asked for a 2 week extension for the grievance of Macias and Pirmann, due to the attorney not being able to be in attendance. Union Steward Preston Smith asked that council be present, too.

**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 4 December 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 4 December 2018 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

**Vote:**

Motion carried via voice vote.

The 4 December 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 4 December 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, Josh Dyer, Ian Pavelonis, Kathy Hall, Caryn Unsicker, Larry York, Bob Rockwell, Rick Lohse.

Members absent: none

**17) Public Comment: None**

***Committee of the Whole Meeting***

***4 December 2018***

***18) Agenda items for discussion***

**A) Ordinance**

**Item 1) Ordinance 2018-60 an ordinance amending Sec 10-119**

***Discussion:***

Aldерwoman Ian Pavelonis discussed amending section 10-119 age of employee working at establishment selling alcohol. Store must have 5 or more check-out lanes. Employees aged 18-20 would be allowed to sell alcohol.

***Motion:***

Alderman Ian Pavelonis made a motion to place Ordinance 2018-60 on the 18 December 2018 agenda for approval

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson

***Vote:***

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

Motion carried 7 ayes 1 nays 0 absent

**B) Economic Development**

**Item 1) Amendment to Enterprise Zone ordinance**

***Discussion:***

Alderman Kathy Hall discussed amendment to the Enterprise Ordinance 2018-54 to include exhibits A,B,C to add territory to the Enterprise Zone.

***Motion:***

Aldерwoman motioned to place Ordinance 2018-61-A an ordinance amending ordinances 2018-54 which established an Enterprise Zone, on the 18 December 2018 agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson

***Vote:***

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0 absent

**C) Parks, Building & Grounds**

**Item 1) New door for City Hall**

***Discussion:***

Alderman Josh Dyer discussed the need for a new East door on the North Side of Silvis City Hall installed by G-MAC Doors and Hardware at a cost not to exceed \$1,800.00.

***Motion:***

Alderman Josh Dyer motioned to place the purchase of a new door for Silvis City Hall at a cost not to exceed \$1,800.00 on the 18 December agenda for approval.

Motion was seconded by Aldерwoman Caryn Unsicker

***Vote:***

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

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays 0 absent

## ***Committee of the Whole Meeting***

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### ***19) Staff Reports***

#### ***A) Fire Department***

Fire Chief John Winters stated that there is an area of I-5 heading east, that has been a troublesome spot that is causing a lot of issues when it is covered with snow, ice or rain. There was an accident involving 4 cars, this past weekend and have had many calls for accidents in the past year, including a fatality. Just wanted to make everyone aware to slow down and be careful at that spot. He also stated that Amanda did a great job with Main Street's Christmas in Silvis.

#### ***B) Inspections: none***

#### ***C) Police:***

Police Chief Mark VanKlaveren needs to call a Personnel meeting anytime this week or next, to discuss sick time. He also passed out body-cam quotes for officers and went over details. This included a 5 year warranty and support.

#### ***D) Public Works & Parks: none.***

### ***20) Comments from the Alderpersons:***

Alderman Tony Trulson thanked Mr. Grafton and street department for the great job they did with snow removal during the storm. He thanked Main Street for their work with Christmas in Silvis. He also hoped to see everyone at Shop-with-a-Cop on Thursday. Alderman York said that everyone had a great time at Christmas in Silvis. Alderwoman Kathy Hall agreed that Christmas in Silvis was a success and reminded all city representatives to please RSVP for Garden Club party. Alderwoman Caryn Unsicker stated that she was proud of the great job that Silvis street department did during the storm. She also went to Christmas in Silvis and said that it was a great crowd and fun time. Alderman Dyer thanked street department for their efforts whenever we have bad weather. He also commented on Christmas in Silvis and how it was a great event. Alderman Rockwell said there will be a Personnel meeting on Friday at 3 p.m.

### ***21) Closed Session-None***

### ***22) Adjournment***

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from the 4 December 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council.

#### ***Motion:***

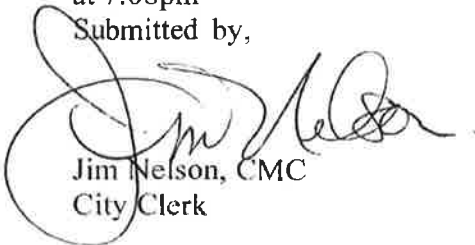
Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to adjourn from the 4 December 2018 Silvis City Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson

#### ***Motion carried via voice vote:***

The 4 December 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:08pm

Submitted by,



Jim Nelson, CMC  
City Clerk