

02 January 2024 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) Call Committee of the Whole to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Matt Carter called the 02 January 2024 Silvis Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:30pm and asked Deputy City Clerk Deanna Campbell to call the Roll.

Roll Call

Members Present: Alderman Tony Trulson, Alderman Bob Cervantes, Alderman Doug Greer, Alderman Craig Pirmann, Alderman Rick Lohse, Alderman Dave Rice, Alderman Joshua Dyer, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

2) Remote Electronic Attendance (if necessary)

Approval of the remote electronic attendance of certain elected officials

3) 3 Officers receiving lifesaving award

4) Public Comment:

Brian Hendricks, Shannon Pirmann, Mike Svetlick., Blain Scott, Joshua Lawson, Charles McCormick

5) Questions on the Agenda

6) COW Agenda Items:

6.1) Finance- Extend the Contract with Lauterbach & Amen, LLP for accounting services until April 30, 2024, NTE \$3,850 per month NTE 125 hours.

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to take this back to the Finance committee. Motion seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters discussed extending the contract with Lauterbach & Amen, LLP for accounting services until April 30, 2024, NTE \$3,850 per month NTE 125 hours.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

6.2) Economic Development – Joining the QC Land Bank Authority in the amount of \$8,002 for 1 year.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made an amended motion to take back to committee and the place on the COW for the 16th of January. Motion seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

Alderman Rick Lohse discussed joining the QC Land Bank Authority in the amount of \$8,002 for 1 year.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

6.3) Economic Development – Leasing the Gas Station on 1st St. to Punk Rock Pizza with the stipulation they fix up the building for storage.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to place leasing the Gas Station on 1st St. to Punk Rock Pizza with the stipulation they fix up the building for storage on the 16th January, 2024 agenda for approval. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

Alderman Rick Lohse discussed leasing the Gas Station on 1st St. to Punk Rock Pizza with the stipulation they fix up the building for storage.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

6.4) Public Safety – J.L. Brady Co. renew HVAC Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$1,135.00.

Motion:

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to place J.L. Brady Co. HVAC Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$1,135.00 on the 2nd January, 2024 agenda for approval. Motion seconded by Alderman Dave Rice.

Alderman Craig Pirmann discussed J.L. Brady Co HVAC maintenance agreement in the amount of \$1,135.00.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

7) Informational:

7.1) City Attorney Report: None

7.2) City Administrator's Report:

Jerry said that on the SP85, it has gone back to committee, it keeps going back and forth and it doesn't look like it is anywhere near being passed. Retail Coach, their contract has expired, and we were spending \$25,000 a year on that. They are going to give us a detailed report on what their accomplishments have been, but I do not have it yet. The Grow Facility is going to be up and operating by February. They have 10 employees hired and once phased 2 & 3 are complete they will have about 80 employees. Punk Rock Pizza has been pushed back a bit; they had some plumbing problems. As for the Railroad Heritage project, I have been working with Bi-state to identify some grants that will work for us. I have been going to the Bi-State regional commissions. We met with a couple of different solar companies, we did get with Simple Ray they are going to revisit everything and get back to us. New businesses, 5 Below is the process of opening in the first quarter of this year. Robertson Digital Billboards presented a deal to put one up by Jewel, they will be coming to a meeting to present to us. They looked in Silvis and didn't like any of the areas we had so they met with the owners of Jewel and the one thing I stipulated in the contract was that the City would get 20% of the airtime so we could put anything we want on there. Hospital road project with Bi-State that is still in the process,

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they are working on that Grant application together. The old Ben Franklin building has been sold

7.3) City Engineer's Report: None

7.4) City Treasurer's Report: In Packet

7.5) City Clerk's Report: None

7.6) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Carter said that we changed our process to be quicker and it has not worked yet. I think as we get through this process it will get better. Silvis news will go out in March, if you have any ideas, please let me know. I did read in the Police Departments report the call volume 1.4 calls per hour for November.

8) Call for an adjournment form the COW Meeting

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from 02 January 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to adjourn from the 02 January 2024 Silvis City Council Regular Meeting. Motion to second by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 02 January 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:41pm.

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9) City Council Call to Order

10) Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Matt Carter called the 02 January 2024 Regular meeting of the Silvis City council to order at 7:41pm and led the Silvis City council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

11) Roll Call:

Mayor Matt Carter asked Deputy City Clerk Deanna Campbell to call Roll.

Members Present: Alderman Tony Trulson, Alderman Bob Cervantes, Alderman Doug Greer, Alderman Craig Pirmann, Alderman Rick Lohse, Alderman Dave Rice, Alderman Joshua Dyer, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

12) Proclamation:

13) Guest Speaker:

14) Public Comment:

Steve Marinaccio

15) Establish the consent agenda to include the following: (Read, then vote)

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16) Vote to establish consent agenda as read

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as read. Motion seconded by Alderman Josh Dyer.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

17): Vote to approve items on the consent agenda

Motion:

Alderman Josh Dyer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 19 December 2023. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

18) Discussion and potential action to approve any items removed from the Consent

19) Discussion and possible action on:

19.1) Economic Development – Ordinance 2024-01 TIF VIII Extension Assistance from Jacob & Klein and Economic Development Group NTE \$4,500.

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-01 TIF VIII Extension Assistance from Jacob & Klein and Economic Development group in the amount NTE \$4,500. Motion seconded by Alderman Josh Dyer.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - No, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 1 nays

19.2) Public Safety – J.L. Brady Co. renew HVAC Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$1,135.00.

Motion:

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to approve J.L Brady Co. HVAC Maintenance Agreement in the amount of \$1,135.00. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

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19.3) MOU for the Police Department.

Motion:

Alderman Dave Rice made a motion to table to the 16 January 2024 Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Vote:

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Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

20) City Staff Reports

A) Fire Department: None

B) Inspections Department: None

C) Police Department: None

D) Public Works & Parks: None

21) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Trulson said he wanted to start with a question for the attorney, he said that he noticed that we have the Executive Session scheduled at the end of the Regular meeting, is that a necessity or can we rearrange that. Attorney Mark said at the mayor's prerogative you can change up the order of any of this. The closed session is a little unique, it is the one thing that doesn't have to be on the agenda at all because no final action is taken during that time. Tony would like to have the pledge of allegiance at the beginning of the complete session. The COW, I believe if we are having the City Attorney read the topics then there should be an explanation of the topic so we can make the proper motion. Happy New Year to everyone and it is a wonderful year of the Dragon.

Alderman Greer said he wants to recognize the Police officers. Great job on training and it is nice to hear about the great things they do. Happy New Year.

Alderman Pirmann said Tony made a great point and I have been asking for something similar and it might help. I remember on the last one we had closed meeting minutes, and it wasn't on the agenda, I hope all the Alderman have had time to go review those so we can release.

Attorney Mark said only 2 Alderman have come in to review them which is why she didn't put them on. We advised that we need to advance and get this approved. Craig said he wouldn't want anyone to vote on something they did not review. If it is possible this year to get some reports on finances, so we are regular and have more current than last year's audits. It would be nice to get more current information so we can make better decisions. Happy New Year and thanks Chief for what you did. We really appreciate that.

Alderman Dyer said to address the solar question or at least from what I know if that the solar next to the police station is privately owned. They generate electricity, and we purchase it from them with a Power Purchase Agreement. If you have any other questions about solar, I would be happy to address them after the meeting, I have solar in my home. To Tony, I think you made some excellent suggestions to speed this along. Happy New Year to everybody. I want all the City Employees to know you are all appreciated by us and thank you.

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Alderman Lohse said there will be an Economic Development meeting with 2 items on the agenda, Land Bank Authority and the leasing of the gas station. Happy New Year.

Executive Session: Collective Bargaining under 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act.

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

Mayor Matt Carter said if there was no more business to bring before the 02 January 2024 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 02 January 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote:

02 January 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 8:03pm

Submitted by,

Amy Malmstrom
City Clerk