

02 April 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 April 2024 Silvis Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:30pm and asked City Clerk Amy Malmstrom to call Roll.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Roll Call

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

4) Proclamation: Junior Achievement Day, National Work Zone Awareness Week

5) Remote Electronic Attendance (if necessary)

Approval of the remote electronic attendance of certain elected officials

6) Public Comment:

7) Discussion and possible action:

7.1) Finance – Eagle Point Solar Discussion

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss Eagle Point Solar. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to take Eagle Point Solar back to committee on 04/08. 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

7.2) Finance – Applying for an 80/20 grant for the “Rail Tech Transportation Master Plan.”

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss applying for an 80/20 grant for the “Rail Tech Transportation Master Plan”. Motion seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to place applying for an 80/20 grant for the “Rail Tech Transportation Master Plan” on the 2nd^{of} April agenda for approval. 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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7.3) Finance – Budget Discussion

Motion:

Alderman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss Budget. Motion seconded by Alderman Joshua Dyer

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Chrissy Winters made a motion to take Budget Discussion back to Committee on 04/08. Motion seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

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, Alderman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

7.4) Economic Development – Contract for the Road to Warren Height and Warren Tower

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to discuss Contract for the Road to Warren Height and Warren Tower. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to place Resolution 2024-11R a resolution of the City Council of the City of Silvis Illinois granting an access easement to certain city land for nonexclusive use by certain beneficiary land on the 2nd of April agenda for approval. Motion seconded by Alderman Dave Rice.

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, Alderman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

7.5) Ordinance – Special Event applications

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Special Event applications. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to place Special Event applications on the 2nd of April agenda for approval. 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, Alderman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

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7.6) Finance – Walz contract renewal NTE \$290/month for 36 months

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss Walz contract renewal NTE \$290/month for 36 months. Motion seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to table Walz contract renewal NTE \$290/month for 36 months to the next COW on the 16th of April. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - Yes, Alderman Bob Cervantes - No, 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 7 ayes 1 nays

8) Informational:

8.1) City Attorney Report:

Nothing to report.

8.2) City Administrator's Report:

Jerry said the Grand Opening at 5 Below went well. Punk Rock Pizza is moving along they are looking to open at the end of May. Mr. Panda says that due to health reasons they have been closed but they do plan on opening at the end of May. The Land Bank Authority, Tom and I are meeting with them on Thursday to go over some properties that might be slated for them to go with and we will report back to you after that meeting.

8.3) City Engineer's Report: None

8.4) City Treasurer's Report: In Packet

8.5) City Clerk's Report:

Amy said that she believes the 2nd audit is done and we will have a report on that in about 60 days. The 1st audit we should have back in about a month and as soon as I have it, I will report back to you guys. Hometown Hero banners we currently have 10, I extended it through this week due to Easter. The 5 Below was a wonderful ribbon cutting and if you haven't been, it is a very nice store. I will be out on Friday, but you can reach me on my phone and email. Friday is the Hispanic Gala; we have a table of 8 and I need to turn in names tomorrow if you can let me know if you want to go so I can get those names in.

8.6) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Carter said Bulk pick up is April 8th, the Kite Flying Contest is on the 20th at Gully Field at noon. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Silvis Library bake sale. I had inquired again about the walking path/bike trail along 10th Street, it was supposed to be coming this spring and now it is looking like the Fall of 2024. I will be hosting a Mayor from Princeton, IL this Friday.

9) Call for an adjournment form the COW Meeting

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

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to adjourn from the 02 April 2024 Silvis City Council Regular Meeting. Motion to second by Alderman Bob Cervantes.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 02 April 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 8:11pm.

Regular Meeting

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1) City Council Call to Order

2) Roll Call:

Mayor Matt Carter asked City Clerk Amy Malmstrom 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

3) Public Comment:

Steve Marinaccio

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

5) Vote to establish consent agenda as read

Motion:

Alderman Joshua Dyer made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as read. 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

6): Vote to approve items on the consent agenda

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 02 April 2024.

Motion seconded by Alderman Joshua 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

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

8) Discussion and possible action on:

8.1) Finance – Applying for an 80/20 grant for the “Rail Tech Transportation Master Plan.”

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to approve applying for an 80/20 grant for the “Rail Tech Transportation Master Plan”. 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

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Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

8.3) Ordinance – Special Event applications

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to approve Special Event applications for the Library for the Winter Festival, The Hispanic Heritage Fest, The Back to School Fall Fest, and the Back in the Park, Railway permit. 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

9) City Staff Reports

A) Fire Department:

Chief Winters said he had nothing

B) Inspections Department: None

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C) Police Department:

Chief VanKlaverren said to keen in on the Work zone awareness week, on March 28th an officer from DeKalb County was killed because a truck veered off the road and killed her. The 30th annual Citizen Police Academy Graduation is tomorrow. We sponsored that this year. I will not be at the next Council meeting, and neither will Deputy Copeland. I will have a 2nd shift cop here for safety and stand by. We will be at a conference. CESSA, John and I attended a meeting. This is a Community Emergency Services and Support Act that passed last year. This is your 988 mental health number instead of calling 911, it also mandates that police can't go to certain 911 calls because they are treated as medical calls. There will be a different way we approach these calls. Unless there is a public safety issue these calls will be responded to by EMS.

D) Public Works & Parks:

Joe said an update on the merry-go-round, we are waiting for the weather to break on this, but we will get that going by the end of the week beginning of next week. If you haven't been out to Phipps Park the concrete is almost done out there, so you can walk back there without getting mud on your shoes. We will start hydro flushing and turning valves next week. Gas Station is torn down and hauled away.

10) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Trulson said he wanted to mention the promotion and swearing in ceremony, Sunday April 7th at 3pm at 10th Street Fire Station.

Alderman Greer said as a new board I feel like we have not talked about good things, we are dragging the past. I got in contact with Brad Cole from IML and there is a brochure on this and what they offer for us. The work with us in terms of internal communications and relationships, looking at goals but we have to have a consensus in order to do this. They would come on a prearranged date, and it will cost us \$500, giving us the ability to discuss these things in Closed Session. It explains everything in the brochure. When we did this while I was on the School Board it drastically changed the communication of the meetings because it helped us understand. I feel like we have no future because we are discussing the past, we are fighting over accusations, and I want to look at the future. Amy will email it out.

Alderman Dyer said he had one comment, what Steve was saying about the recycling bins, if you do put it in the City Newsletter if you could also add that you can get a bigger can if they ask. Amy said that currently they are providing what they have.

Alderman Lohse said he wanted to touch on what Chief said about the 988, I had a person near and dear to me use that service and if you have anyone in crisis it is there and it works very well.

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Executive Session: Collective Bargaining under 2(c)(2), Possible Litigation 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to go into Executive Session for Collective Bargaining under 2(c)(2), Possible Litigation 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion seconded by Alderman Dave Rice.

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

Regular Meeting Closed at 8:27pm

Executive Session Opened at 8:40pm

Closed Executive Session at 9:18pm

Open Regular Meeting at 9:19pm

Alderman Tony Trulson said No Action taken in Executive Session

12) 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 April 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 April 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote:

02 April 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 9:20pm

Submitted by,

Amy Malmstrom
City Clerk