

**18 July 2023 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 6:30 pm.**

**1) Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Matt Carter called the 18 July 2023 Regular meeting of the Silvis City Council to order at 6:30 pm and led the Silvis City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**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, Karen Unsicker, Brian Hendricks, and Larry York

**4) Vote to establish the consent agenda to include the following: (Read, then vote)**

***Motion:***

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to establish the Consent Agenda as read. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

***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 – No, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 1 nay

***Motion:***

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to establish the Consent Agenda with just items A & C. Motion was seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

***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 with items A & C only dated 18 July 2023. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

***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 Agenda**

#### **Motion:**

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss the Consent Agenda item B dated 18 July 2023. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

#### **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

Discussion: Alderman Dyer explained that he stated Grima Wormtongue not greed of work done.

#### **Motion:**

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda item B, changing the 2 words Grima Wormtongue that Alderman Dyer stated in two places. 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) Agenda items for discussion and possible action:**

#### **A) Economic Development**

##### **Item 1) Appraisal of 703 1<sup>st</sup> St.**

#### **Motion:**

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve purchasing an appraisal of 703 1<sup>st</sup> St. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

#### **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 8 ayes 0 nays

#### **B) Finance**

##### **Item 1) Annual Appropriations Ordinance 2023-24**

#### **Motion:**

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to approve Annual Appropriations Ordinance 2023-24. 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

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### **C) Ordinance**

#### **Item 1) Class F Liquor License**

**Motion:**

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to approve adding 1 Class F Liquor License. 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, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

#### **Item 2) Robert's Rules of Order**

**Motion:**

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to approve adopting Robert's Rule of Order. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

**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

### **D) Public Safety**

#### **Item 1) Ladder Truck Repairs**

**Motion:**

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve repairs to the Fire Department Ladder Truck in the amount of \$4,676.93. 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

#### **Item 2) New Radio for the Police Department**

**Motion:**

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve adding a new radio for the Police Department in the amount of \$3,259.75. 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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### **Item 3) New Holsters for Police Department**

**Motion:**

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve adding new holsters for the Police Department in the amount of \$2,957.15. 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

### **Item 4) IACP Chiefs Training Conference**

**Motion:**

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve IACP Chiefs Training Conference NTE \$1,600. 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

### **Item 5) Northwestern Staff and Command Training**

**Motion:**

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to approve Northwestern Staff and Command Training NTE \$4,500. 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

## **E) Public Works**

### **Item 1) Maintenance Engineering Agreement with IMEG**

**Motion:**

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to approve Maintenance Engineering Agreement with IMEG. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

**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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### **F) Releasing the closed session tape from February 7, 2023**

**Motion:**

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to approve releasing the closed session tape from February 7, 2023. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 2 ayes 6 nays

### **G) Release of Investigative Report**

**Motion:**

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to remove this item from the agenda. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 5 ayes 3 nays

### **H) Committee Meeting Assignments**

**Motion:**

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to approve doing the new Committee Assignments. Motion seconded by Alderman Bob Cervantes.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 5 ayes 4 nays

### **I) Discussion and possible action on censure**

**Motion:**

Alderman Joshua Dyer made a motion to approve the censure of Mayor Matt Carter. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

**Vote:**

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

Motion carried 2 ayes 6 nays

**Motion:**

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-22 to censure Alderman Tony Trulson, Alderman Rick Lohse & Alderman Joshua Dyer. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

**Vote:**

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - No, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes, Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - No, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – No, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters – No, Mayor Carter - Yes  
Motion carried 5 ayes 4 nays

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### **J) Resolution 2023-21 Declaring a Vote of Confidence in Mayor Matt Carter**

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

Alderman Dave Rice made a motion to approve a Vote of Confidence in Mayor Matt Carter. Motion seconded by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

#### ***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Tony Trulson - No, Alderman Bob Cervantes - Yes Alderman Doug Greer - Yes, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Yes, Alderman Rick Lohse - No, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderman Joshua Dyer – No, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters – Yes  
Motion carried 5 ayes 3 nays

#### **10) City Attorney Report: None**

#### **11) City Administrator's Report:**

Jerry Leibovitz said the new owner of the old Sluggers Pizza took possession of the property last week and they will be getting with Tom to get permits for the building. TIF 8 extension is moving along, and we will be working on a proposal that we will present for the Council and Finance Committee to consider. The Railroad Heritage, we are working with them to apply for some grants to help with infrastructure. The cannabis growing facility has broken ground. They are also have not given an update on the lot by Tap 22 for a retail store. In the old Ben Franklin Store, we have had some other interest but what holds it back is the parking issues, so right now the best possibility is still the infusion place that wants to come in. The Robertson Outdoor digital sign company, I sent an email out with information on them to everyone. The Solar company, I did contact them on what is going on and I'm looking into it all. The Fire Station now has the approval on going forward with that. They have nothing on the 1<sup>st</sup> Ave Public Works but I will move forward with working on that. We had a little segment on TV last Friday about the rock snake. This has turned into a good challenge with all the other municipalities joining the challenge, it is all the way out to Rock Falls. We were on QC Live talking about this challenge.

#### **12) City Engineer's Report: None**

#### **13) City Treasurer's Report: In Packet**

#### **14) City Clerk's Report:**

Amy said that we do have several committee meetings on Monday and zoning is one that we will have a Public Hearing on and then it will go back through the steps to approve the cannabis ordinance.

#### **15) Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Matt Carter said on behalf of the City of Silvis Little League I want to say thank you for your continued support of the league and the community. Silvis Little League is inviting everyone up to Schadt Park on August 5<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm to 8 pm with free hot dogs and pop. If you haven't received it yet the library is looking for people to help with a Bingo Fundraiser on August 26<sup>th</sup> up at the McGhee Center, looking for at least 15 people to help and looking for baked goods as well. The rock snake is up to 47 feet 1 inch and growing. The goal is 100 feet and I

think we can get that by the end of the month. City Hall still has the rock snake donation sheets for the sponsorship of \$5 per foot or what you choose to do.

**16) 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 18 July 2023 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

**Motion:**

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to adjourn the 18 July 2023 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. The motion was seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

**Vote:**

**Motion carried via voice vote:**

18 July 2023 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 9:08 pm

**Committee of the Whole**

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**17) Call the Committee of the Whole to Order & Roll Call**

Mayor Matt Carter called the 18 July 2023 Silvis Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 9:08 pm and asked City Clerk Amy Malmstrom 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, Alderwomen Chrissy Winters

**18) Comments from the Audience**

Steve Marinaccio, Larry York, and the last individual's name was not audible.

**19) Agenda items for discussion:**

**K) Finance**

**Item 1) New lease agreement for Computers at City Hall**

Alderman Craig Pirmann discussed a new lease agreement for computers at City Hall.

**Motion:**

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to place a new lease agreement for computers at City Hall on the 01 August 2023 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, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 8 ayes 0 nays

**20) City Staff Reports**

**A) Fire Department:**

Chief Winters read an article from Jason Sulk dated August 2, 2017, on INC.com, titled It is okay to disagree just don't be disagreeable.

**B) Inspections Department:**

Tom said let's just see if we can work together on things. I have been here 15 years and it is just.. That's all I have to say. Nothing on the inspection side.

**C) Police Department:**

Chief VanKlaveren said today the Illinois Supreme Court struck down the argument against no bail, so the majority of our arrest will not be taken to jail. What is going to happen is that serious offenses will still be jailable, but they will be few and far between. I am saying this because people are going to ask why we are not taking this person to jail. On August 1<sup>st</sup> we are going to do what is called National Night Out Against Crime, we are teaming up with Main Street and the Illinois State Police will be helping us as well. We will be doing a free throw tournament, bags, and some games orientated toward kids. I will not be at the next meeting because I will be up at Schadt Park. Everyone is welcome to come up early and grab a hot dog and a pop and watch some kids kick our butt in basketball.

**D) Public Works & Parks:**

Joe Rockwell said that the East Moline transmission line will go up for bid in the middle of August so that will get started in the fall. I am working with Hutchinson on the grant for Hospital Rd. Everyone has heard we have lost 2 people at Public Works over the last week, so we are down to 10 people now. The guys have been doing a lot of abatements. The intern we got for the summer is doing an amazing job and I wish we had 10 more like her.

**21) Comments from the Alderpersons:**

Alderman Craig Pirmann said that I am looking forward to moving forward with the new Council, I know we have good people here and I am looking forward to working with you all.

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters said that she wanted to mention that Main Street is still doing the Queen of Hearts up at Doc's Inn on Thursday nights. Drawing is every Thursday so please stop up and buy some tickets, you could win 60% of the pot. To maximize at 60%, you must be there, if you are not there it is 30%. It is over \$2,000 right now.

Alderman Joshua Dyer said I appreciate your apology to the citizens for the language you used but I will also note that you did not apologize for disparaging me, and I don't ask that you do so. I have now been censured, I now have something in common with Eric Kiesinger, Liz Chaney and Adam Schiff as people who have been censured for doing what they felt was right. This one is probably on a picky note, but it was mentioned earlier that the freedom of Speech is in article one of the Constitution, it is not it is the First Amendment. I think that we found out for a lot of people their ultimate measure tonight, as a person's ultimate measure is not where they stand in times of comfort and convenience but where they stand in time of challenging controversy. With that I will also say that I fully support the union's request to have MLK day as a paid holiday.

Alderman Rick Lohse said I have no doubt that we will work together on this use of substance here that won't be an issue. Not if but when we get a Dog Park it will be named Karen Unsicker Dog Park.



**Committee of the Whole**

**18 July 2023**

**22) Adjournment**

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from 18 July 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council

**Motion:**

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to adjourn from the 18 July 2023 Silvis City Council Regular Meeting. Motion to second by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

**Motion carried via voice vote:**

The 05 July 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 9:26pm.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Malmstrom". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and "M".

Amy Malmstrom  
City Clerk