

16 July 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 16 July 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 Bob Cervantes, Alderman Doug Greer, Alderman Craig Pirmann, Alderman Rick Lohse, Alderman Dave Rice, Alderman Joshua Dyer, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

4) Proclamation: Silvis Public Library Centennial Day

5) Remote Electronic Attendance (if necessary)

Approval of the remote electronic attendance of certain elected officials

6) Public Comment:

Joe Napp, Steve Marinaccio, Carrie Winkle, Brian Hendricks

7) Discussion and possible action:

7.1 Economic Development – Weber TIF Agreement

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to discuss Weber TIF Agreement. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson. All in favor

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to deny moving this on to Regular meeting and maybe come back at a later date. 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

7.2) Economic Development – Solar follow-up

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to discuss Solar follow-up. Motion seconded by Alderman Joshua Dyer. All in favor

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to move Solar in the amount of \$325,674 to the 16th of July agenda for approval. 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

7.3) Finance – City owned house at Phipps Park

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss City owned house at Phipps Park. Motion seconded by Alderman Bob Cervantes. All in favor.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to take City owned house at Phipps Park back to committee. 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

7.4) Ordinance – Salary of Elected Officials

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Salary of Elected Officials. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters. All in favor

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to move Salary of Elected Officials back to committee. 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

8) Informational:

8.1) City Attorney Report:

Roger Strandlund had nothing to report.

8.2) City Administrator's Report:

Jerry said we got the billboard up and it should go live next week. I also want to say it is truly my honor to have the council and the mayor appoint me as The City Administrator. I look forward to working with you guys and I look forward to working with the council and working toward the success of our city. Thank you.

8.3) City Engineer's Report: None

8.4) City Treasurer's Report: In Packet

8.5) City Clerk's Report:

Amy said she wanted to say good job to our Public Works group and the Fire Department for last night. I know they were out all night, and they did a really good job. Last night Martha Peterson has been a huge influence to our garden club and she has taken care of all of our flowers beds around City Hall and she passed away last night. I will give you more information as I get it.

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8.6) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Carter wanted to say thank you to MidAmerican for restoring our power to our city as well as the Fire Department, you have gone through many calls last night. Gas leaks, power lines down on 17th. Thank you to the Police Department for assisting the Fire Department as well. With all those calls the Police Department still had a chance to make traffic stops along the way. As a big thank you to the Public Works Department for assisting the Fire Department with barricades and they were also called out to start picking up the debris on the streets. Thank you to the City Administrator for giving me a lift, I had no vehicle right now so we could drive around. A big thank you to Isaias Ayala. He is an Alleman High School student who is working on 300 community hours, and he assisted 5 homeowners last night and today, to help clean up efforts in our community. I just want to recognize him and his great project like that. He came over and helped on my property. I have not had the chance to say thank you or shake his hand yet. Well #5 was struck by lightning, we had a problem finding a new fuse. The closest one was Decatur and then we called around and found one at Republic. We got an extra few just in case.

9) Call for an adjournment form the COW Meeting

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from 16 July 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to adjourn from the 16 July 2024 Silvis City Council Regular Meeting. Motion to second by Alderman Bob Cervantes.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 16 July 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 8:13pm.

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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:

Joe Napp, Steve Marinaccio

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

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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 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

6): Vote to approve items on the consent agenda

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 18 June 2024. Motion seconded by Alderman Bob Cervantes.

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

8) Discussion and possible action on:

8.1 Economic Development – Solar Follow-up (Over riding the Mayors Veto)

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve going forward with the Solar Panel Project for \$325,674. Motion seconded by Alderman Joshua Dyer.

Vote:

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

Motion failed 5 ayes 3 nays not super majority

9) City Staff Reports

A) Fire Department:

Chief Winters said he will also jump on the thank you train. Last night and this morning were kind of hectic, thank you to Public Works for getting us barricades and getting everything taken care of, also thank the Police department while we were running different things they were assisting with traffic control. It went about as good as it could of with the storm we had. I know there was a lot of flooding through the city, roads I have never seen flooded were covered in water. It was big and ugly, but all the departments did what they could to get everything back in service as soon as possible. Including the Tree services that had to get stuff off power lines and MidAmerican Energy.

B) Inspections Department:

Tom said that Edwards Financial is starting their build out up by AT & T.

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C) Police Department:

Chief VanKlaverren said they received 20 applications for the CSO position so we will be testing for that on Saturday. Tuesday, August 6th we will be busy doing National Night Out Against Crime up at Schadt Park. Cookout and games for kids from 5 to 7, so stop out before the council meeting if you can. If anyone wants to give some donations, thank you to Brian for your donations, Franks donated some stuff along with a few officers.

D) Public Works & Parks:

Joe said IMEG is doing shots and getting some great stuff done for Fair Acers, plan is right now to have the watermain and storm sewer done in the fall, and road done early next spring. 1st Ave sidewalk opening will be July 24th, got that confirmed today. Storm clean-up if you have people calling Friday will be the last day to pick up, as long as they have it by the curb, we will pick it up. 13th Street we will be hooking up on Thursday and all the services are done. 14th Street driveways will be cut tomorrow. Schadt Park update, we are going to power wash and seal and start laying the tile. Hopefully this week depends on how long it takes to get the clean-up done. I do have the trucks ordered and we are looking at September/October delivery. Mayor asked how many men he has with CDL completed and Joe said we have 3 left to get it and we will have 9 who will have it. Alderman Pirmann asked how many of the crew have a water certificate and Joe said he is the only one. Alderwoman Winters asked about the lift station on 28th and 29th and Joe said he is waiting for them to tell him when they are coming to put the device in. It was delivered last Friday.

10) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Trulson said he would like to extend his thanks to all the city staff and employees for the last couple of days. He wants to extend his apologies to the citizens of Silvis because I really think that we missed a huge opportunity to save the city money, benefits etc.

Alderman Greer said thanks to everyone city, fire, police. I drove around last night, and it was kind of crazy with how many service vehicles were out. Our streets were lite with all those lights, everyone was doing a great job. Everyone who was involved in the clean-up thank you.

Alderwoman Winters said she just wanted to thank everyone as well and remind you that we are having our Summer Fest for Silvis Main Street on August 3rd. Craft show, Car show, Rabbit Hole will be performing from 5 to 8. It should be a great time; we are going to need some volunteers so please reach out to me if you have free time. Jerry asked if she had any artwork for the Summer Fest so we could put it up on the billboard and she said she would get it to him.

Alderman Dyer said thanks everyone for cleaning up the city you did a great job. Joe, I wanted to commend you for handling some criticism earlier. As far as Solar goes, this is a gigantic opportunity that was missed. The proposal would have reduced the cost to run the city, like that fact is the definition of responsibility. The incentives will not be there in 8 months, this whole project will cost more than and I don't understand why this was voted on previously 7 to 0 and now it goes 5 to 3. I think the citizens should go shopping for new Alderman and a new Mayor next time.

Executive Session: None

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14) 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 16 July 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 16 July 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote:

16 July 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 8:29pm

Submitted by,

Amy Malmstrom
City Clerk