

06 August 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 6:30 pm.

1) Call Committee of the Whole to Order & Roll Call

Mayor Matt Carter called the 06 August 2024 Silvis Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:30 pm 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 Joshua Dyer, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

Members Absent: Alderman Dave Rice

4) Proclamation:

5) Remote Electronic Attendance (if necessary)

Approval of the remote electronic attendance of certain elected officials

6) Public Comment:

Steve Marinaccio

7) Discussion and possible action:

7.1 Audit Review

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss the Audit Review. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to move the Audit Review from Lauterbach and Amen to the 6th of August agenda for approval. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.2) Economic Development – License agreement with Punk Rock Pizza

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to discuss License agreement with Punk Rock Pizza. Motion seconded by Alderman Doug Greer.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to move License agreement with Punk Rock Pizza to the 6th of August 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.3) Parks, Buildings & Grounds – Special Event Permit

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to discuss Special Event Permit. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to move Special Event Permit to the 06th of August Agenda for approval. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.4) Finance – Cost Allocation Plan

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss the Cost Allocation Plan. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to move Cost Allocation Plan to the 06th of August 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.5) Ordinance – City Clerk Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Ordinance 2024-21 City Clerk Salary. Motion seconded by Alderman Bob Cervantes.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to move Ordinance 2024-21 City Clerk Salary to the 06th of August agenda for approval. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – No, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 6 ayes 1 nays

7.6) Ordinance – Collector Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Ordinance 2024-22 Collector Salary. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to move Ordinance 2024-22 Collector Salary to the 06th of August agenda for approval. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 6 ayes 0 nays

7.7) Ordinance – Treasurer Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Treasurer Salary. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to close discussion. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.8) Ordinance – Alderman Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Alderman Salary. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

No Action Taken

7.9) Finance – Ordinance – Mayor Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Mayor Salary. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

Motion carried via voice vote: Alderman Dyer opposed

Motion:

No Action Taken

7.10) Public Safety – Axon Body Cam in the amount of \$22,053.22

Motion:

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to discuss Axon Body Cam in the amount of \$22,053.22. Motion seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to move Axon Body Cam in the amount of \$22,053.22 to the 06th of August agenda for approval. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.11) Finance – Tri-City Communications renewal in the amount of \$2,290.00

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss Tri-City Communications renewal in the amount of \$2,290.00. Motion seconded by Alderman Joshua Dyer.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to move Tri-City Communications renewal in the amount of \$2,290.00 to the 06th of August 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.12) Economic Development – El Pueblo RDA agreement

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to discuss El Pueblo RDA agreement. Motion seconded by Alderman Joshua Dyer.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to table this item. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.13) Ordinance – Wages and Benefit

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to discuss Ordinance 2024-23 Wages and Benefits. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to move Ordinance 2024-23 Wages and Benefits to the 06th of August 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

7.14) Fixing 14th St. Sidewalks from Laud in the amount of \$39,000.00

Motion:

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to discuss fixing 14th St. Sidewalks from Laud in the amount of \$39,000.00. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Lohse.

Motion carried via voice vote:

Motion:

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to move fixing 14th St. sidewalks from Laud in the amount of \$39,000.00 to the 06th of August agenda for approval. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8) Informational:

8.1) City Attorney Report:

Roger said that the info he has received over the last 3 months he has been here, it is built on the concept of 3's. In order to improve the satisfaction level of legal services you have been receiving, my focus has been working with staff. You can talk to any of the staff members on whether they have gotten fair value for that but moving ahead my proposal for you to consider is to have Amy be a go between to schedule starting with 3 in the next 30 days. Have you provided 3 days and ranges of time within 30 minutes that you would be available to sit with me and possible my assistant and depending on your preference and possible any member of Ancel Glink member you work with or received input from depending on the issue you have identified. I have a procedure that I do that is a Legal Services Audit, this falls short of that because these would be issues that concern you. That 30-minute discussion can blend into some compliance questions and comments that I might initiate that I have pickup on from these meetings. You look at your own calendars, times of day, times of week, 3 different days. I am going to modify my schedule, I drive routinely drive by City Hall even when I don't have city stuff, I have a family property north of here, so I am routinely back and forth. Part of this comes

from, do you feel you are taking full advantage of the accessibility that I provide that wasn't provided previously coming to these meetings. I would submit that we could do better together, and we will see what comes of these discussions. My vision is that they will be one on one and again I might involve someone else from the firm. The location can be here or my office, in town or a neutral location, we want this to be one on one and secure. This is a no charge event which translates to \$3,000 of my time invested in doing this but it seems important with a team member like you. Call it an incentive if you would like. Is the offer clear? Alderman Dyer as if this was a customer check in and Roger said he is here to provide legal services, you might or might not be satisfied. It is a communications mode, we catch each other at these meetings and that can be better improved. You know how to find me; you can call me at any time, but this is not unusual to treat clients this way. I have to find ways to be more accessible to improve those lines of communication. There have been some issues that have come up and it looks like I deflect them because they might relate to just one person concern but in my mind I error on the side of not wanting to embarrass someone or to give you an incomplete answer because all of the facts are not on the table. This will be more of a relaxed conversation on my time, you don't have to do it. Alderman Dyer asked if we should come with suggestions of improvement? Roger said come with whatever you want. Alderman Pirmann said it is a wonderful idea, but he asked what his goal would be. Roger said communication, one way for me to do this is much more time and to attend Committee Meetings. Your committees seem to function well, and I check in with Amy on if my presence is needed, sometimes my sense is that is not enough. If there is skepticism about my motive, there is none. Alderman Pirmann asked is this is confidential between the individual and you or is going to the mayor. Roger said we would have to discuss that. This hasn't been initiated by the mayor but in fairness if we get into an area, I should advise you that it would need to be shared. As to the public, it is legal counsel, attorney client privilege. That is why it is not involving the mayor. There is no end game.

8.2) City Administrator's Report:

Jerry said as he had mentioned earlier the old Ben Franklin Store will be open within the next 30 days. The window will be in. Next week Bard who does our bond rating for us we are at an A+ right now, sit down with Amy and I and hopefully we can get to an A++. 27th and 28th Ave the lights from MidAmerican Energy, I don't really have an update other than they do have it in their system, they did get set back with the storms, but I am told it is in the system just no timeframe. Edward Jones is getting ready to come into next to Dunkin Donuts. Alderman Pirmann asked if he was doing anything with the empty buildings down in Silvis, it seems like the owners are closing and not doing anything with the building. Is there anything in site for us as a city to fill some of these vacancies. Jerry said we do communicate with them, and we do have a business coming into the old aquarium shop and that building will be a more of a real estate office that will be in there. The ones that are up for sale the owners want to know if there are any incentives for a new buyer who may want to come in from the city and at this point, we are not in a position to do that. Some of these buildings have already been fixed up by TIF, hopefully those properties will be sold. Alderman Pirmann asked if we are tracking which ones had RDA's and Jerry said yes and they have fulfilled their 5-year agreements with the city. That is why we are doing things differently and going toward the liens and getting more teeth into it then we did in the past. I am up for suggestions to try to bring people to town. We have the same goals. Mayor said on that note I did speak to Doug Small over the weekend and his property at River City Sign is now remodeled and ready to rent.

8.3) City Engineer's Report: None

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8.4) City Treasurer's Report: In Packet

8.5) City Clerk's Report:

Amy said the election guides are available for pickup here at city hall. I need to know who is planning on going to IML, because we need to vote on it at the next meeting. Rock Island County Waste Management does have a household hazardous waste event at Rock Island County Fair Grounds on August 31st from 8am to 3pm, it is posted on our city website. September 14th is our next big event Hispanic Heritage and if anyone would like to volunteer, we need them tremendously for this event. The library is doing this event and Main Street, and the city are piggybacking these events. We are all working together on them, the city has not paid for anything for these events, the library and Main Street are paying for these events and donations.

8.6) Mayor's Report:

Mayor Carter said he is glad to be back, he was at the University of Wisconsin for class for a couple of weeks. Main Street and the Library put on a wonderful event so thank you so much.

9) Call for an adjournment from the COW Meeting

Mayor Matt Carter asked for a motion to adjourn from 06 August 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to adjourn from the 06 August 2024 Silvis City Council Regular Meeting. Motion to second by Alderman Craig Pirmann.

Motion carried via voice vote:

The 06 August 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 8:47pm.

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 Joshua Dyer, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

Members Absent: Alderman Dave Rice

3) Public Comment:

Steve Marinaccio, Bill Lucien, Holly Svetlick, Shannon Pirmann

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 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

6): Vote to approve items on the consent agenda

Motion:

Alderman Joshua Dyer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 06 August 2024. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

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

8) Discussion and possible action on:

8.1 Audit Review

Motion:

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to approve the Audit Review from Lauterbach and Amonn. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8.2) Economic Development – License agreement with Punk Rock Pizza

Motion:

Alderman Rick Lohse made a motion to approve License agreement with Punk Rock Pizza. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

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8.3) Parks, Buildings & Grounds – Special Event Permit

Motion:

Alderman Tony Trulson made a motion to move Special Event Permit for the Rail House. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8.4) Finance – Cost Allocation Plan

Motion:

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to approve Cost Allocation Plan. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8.5) Ordinance – City Clerk Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-21 City Clerk Salary from \$7,200 to \$7,700. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – No, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 6 ayes 1 nays

8.6) Ordinance – Collector Salary

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to move Ordinance 2024-22 Collector Salary for 3% for 4 years. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8.7) Public Safety – Axon Body Cam in the amount of \$22,053.22

Motion:

Alderman Craig Pirmann made a motion to approve Axon Body Cam in the amount of \$22,053.22. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

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8.8) Finance – Tri-City Communications renewal in the amount of \$2,290.00

Motion:

Alderman Chrissy Winters made a motion to approve Tri-City Communications renewal in the amount of \$2,290.00. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8.9) Ordinance – Wages and Benefit

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-23 Wages and Benefits. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

8.10) Fixing 14th St. Sidewalks from Laud in the amount of \$39,000.00

Motion:

Alderman Bob Cervantes made a motion to move fixing 14th St. sidewalks from Laud in the amount of \$39,000.00 from MFT Funds. 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 - Absent, Alderman Joshua Dyer – Yes, Alderman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 7 ayes 0 nays

9) City Staff Reports

A) Fire Department:

Chief Winters was Absent

B) Inspections Department:

Tom had nothing

C) Police Department:

Chief VanKlaverren was Absent

D) Public Works & Parks:

Joe had nothing

10) Comments from the Alderpersons:

Alderman Pirmann said on 8th street I don't know who to direct this too but there is gravel on the bottom, and it has almost caused a few accidents. It is filled with gravel; I don't know why. You can't take off and then El Pueblo the cars block traffic, so you have to take off fast and it is dangerous. The other thing that has come up from a few people is on 11th St. A specifically across from Hospital Rd. at the very end there is a house that is storing stuff, and no one is dealing with it and we have a lot of it in our city. Amy and Tom said they have been dealing with it for years. Alderman Pirmann asked what is dealing with it mean. Tom said we have wrote him

up, fined him, and IMEG up there to look at it. It is a piece of crap, and I have been working on it for a year to get him to do anything. Pirmann asked the mayor what we can do, and the mayor said we have to work within our laws and ordinances. We can't make stuff up as we go. Pirmann said doesn't it depreciate the value of these homes; these are nice homes up there. Mayor said again we have to work within the laws and the ordinances. Pirmann said I guess I will have to take the time to review those ordinances and laws later. Amy said you can see it from the Pump Track. Pirmann said that it is all over and I don't know who to go to and trying to address these things on my time. When I get these complaints, I don't know where to go. Amy said that the best thing to do is to cc everyone on the email and say you are not sure where to go and someone will address it from there. Sometimes it will intermix, and someone will let you know who it belongs to. Pirmann said we need to work together as a city, we are all concerned about run down homes and properties, somehow, we need to address these maybe we can have a meeting or a council, but I am getting calls. He asked Amy to ask his staff not to give out his personal cell phone to people. I don't care if they have my email, or they can call my office. Amy said, "Yah, we have to have a phone number for people to be able to call you, we have to provide a number. If you want it to be your office phone, I will get that from you." Pirmann said that another thing that has come up is do we offer WIFI in our parks. Amy said we do not offer it anymore, we used to but not anymore. We have a lot of teenagers sitting in our parks after 10pm. Not sure if they are drinking or smoking weed but they are there. A lot of the neighbors are getting concerned. Another one is up in the Hynd Farm area, did we have a program to put up a park in that area at any time? Amy said the city never approved to put a park up there. Alderman Trulson said yes there was talk at one time, the developer talked about it. The city did not have anything to do with it and the mayor said a walking path was talked about as well. Amy said that constituent did come into the office and talked about it already. Pirmann said he wants to get back to him. Due to my property, I run into situations where I have homeless looking for help and resources, I have tenants who have lost jobs and looking for resources. I have tried to help them and realized this is a problem and I didn't know how to help them. I don't know where to begin, I thought maybe we could do something as a city with a piece of paper with contacts on it for them to reach out too. Right now, I think you have to go to Sterling for unemployment right now. We don't have to provide them with money just a resource. Amy said she is working on that right now and we do have information on our website as well. She would be happy to work on it with him. Pirmann said most don't know how to use the internet or a mouse. I also wanted to bring this to the Chief that I had to go up and sign a document at the Police station, this is the 3rd time this has happened at 2pm in the afternoon not a soul in site, I rang the bell, knocked on the doors, no one. I had to go back out into the hallway and ring the emergency button and got Milan, they had to call an officer in. Pirmann said so you are telling me that we have 2 Chiefs of police, and we see their salaries on here, if we are going to pay 2 chiefs of police there should be a secretary or someone in that department. Alderwoman Winters said there is a secretary there and Pirmann said someone should be there. We have all these staff members, and no one was there, they had to call a police officer to come to the station to help me. While I was there another person came in and said is this what you do in this city. I was embarrassed. This is the 3rd time this has happened. Mayor asked for times and dates so we can address this issue. Pirmann said he doesn't have times and dates because he didn't think it was an issue in the beginning.

Alderwoman Winters said that she wants to thank Chief Winters he was there all day on Saturday and Amy Malmstrom, Hollie and Mike Svetlick they were there all day and helped, Steve stopped by and Vicki was there, Bob stopped by also and supported Main Street. Public

Works thank you for your help. The morning went really well, it was very hot. The library was happy with the turnout. So, thank you all for that. I had a comment about the National Night Out Against Crime, I think we should get more involved and change the council night to the next night. This event is always the first Tuesday in August, and it would be nice if all the Alderman can go up and greet the community. It is always on this Tuesday; it is a nationwide event and there are some small cities around here that are doing amazing things. I think it would be nice, just a thought for next year. The Children's Advocacy center will be doing their annual wine fundraiser, I will be putting some stuff in your mailboxes. It is \$50 you get heavy appetizers and a couple of drinks, if you don't drink you can have soda or whatever, but it is a good cause. Mayor asked if they handed out all the backpacks and Chrissy said there were maybe 50 left, Amy expressed that they were down to 6 at the end of the day.

Alderman Dyer said he is sorry to bring up an old subject, but did we ever approve the closed meeting minutes and Amy said no but we are going to. Those are on my list next, and she is trying, probably on the next meeting. I usually have my day in court and move on but this time I think us not approving solar again last time was a colossal mistake that I need to talk about it just a little further. I get this a lot that many people are not good at math but I am and so I am not sure if I need to pull my best Melissa McCarthy impression of Sean Spicer, but I will try to couch it that way. As it was mentioned last time there was a 10% rebate that we are not going to get in 8 months, there is a 20% tariff that will be up before we can look at budgeting for it. The aspects are not going to be worth as much. In 8 months', time to do solar at that time we can anticipate paying for an additional police cruiser, that is what it is going to cost in extra money to do solar in 8 months. If we don't do solar in 8 months, then over the next 20 years, which is the life of a fire truck, we will have to pay regular rates for our electricity. If we did solar, we would save half of a fire truck. Let me couch it in those terms for you. I think it is an absolute colossal mistake that we passed up on those kinds of savings and I will leave it at that.

Executive Session:

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 06 August 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

Motion:

Alderman Doug Greer made a motion to adjourn from the 06 August 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion was seconded by Alderman Tony Trulson.

Vote:

Motion carried via voice vote:

06 August 2024 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 9:30pm

Submitted by,

Amy Malmstrom
City Clerk