

**06 January 2026 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 6:30pm.**

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

Mayor Bob Cervantes called 06 January 2026 Silvis Council Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:30pm and asked City Clerk Amy Malmstrom to call Roll.

**1) Pledge of Allegiance**

**2) Roll Call**

Members Present: Alderman Chad Vroman, Alderman Rick Butts, Alderman Steve Marinaccio, Alderman Dave Rice, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

**3) Proclamation:**

**4) Remote Electronic Attendance (if necessary)**

Approval of the remote electronic attendance of certain elected officials

**5) Public Comment: Jim Raider, Pam Moore, Scott Rolands**

**6) Discussion and possible action:**

**6.1 VFD Enclosure from Electric Pump NTE \$21,620.00**

***Motion:***

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss VFD Enclosure from Electric Pump NTE \$21,620.00. Motion seconded by Alderman Steve Marinaccio.

***Motion carried via voice vote:***

***Motion:***

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to move VFD Enclosure from Electric Pump NTE \$21,620.00 to the 6th of January Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

**6.2 Purchasing a CD for \$1,000,000 at 3.75%**

***Motion:***

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to discuss Purchasing a new CD for \$1,000,000 at 3.75%. Motion seconded by Alderwoman Chrissy Winters.

***Motion carried via voice vote:***

***Motion:***

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to move Purchasing a new CD for \$1,000,000 at 3.75% to the 6th of January Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

**6.3 Sewer forgiveness for 1116 14<sup>th</sup> St.**

***Motion:***

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to discuss Sewer forgiveness for 1116 14<sup>th</sup> St.  
Motion seconded by Alderman Dave Rice.

***Motion carried via voice vote:***

***Motion:***

Alderwoman Chrissy Winters made a motion to move Sewer forgiveness for 1116 14<sup>th</sup> St. to the 6th of January Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

**6.4 Comprehensive plan by Bi-State for \$18,065**

***Motion:***

Alderman Dave Rice made a motion to discuss Comprehensive plan by Bi-State for \$18,065.  
Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Butts.

***Motion carried via voice vote:***

***Motion:***

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to move Comprehensive plan by Bi-State for \$18,065 to the 6th of January Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Alderman Rick Butts.

***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

**6.5 Renew Lease for a new copier/printer @ Public Works for \$190.79/month**

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***Motion carried via voice vote:***

***Motion:***

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to move Renew Lease for a new copier/printer @ Public Works for \$190.79/month to the 6th of January Regular Meeting. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

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**7) Informational:**

**7.1) City Attorney Report:**

Roger had no report

**7.2) City Administrator's Report:**

Jerry said he wanted to ask the Committee members of Economic Development and Finance to consider calling a meeting to revisit the possible TIF agreement with Strictly Southern. They would like to come back and talk to the committee, there are a couple of things we can address, and the committee can come up with recommendations to the Council or if they are ready to go straight to Council. We need to come up with something to bring back to Council, the owner would like to attend. Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> would be that day for the meeting. The next thing I have is in the water bill info went out on the Tri-City's Housing Lottery. East Moline, Moline, and Silvis have worked together collectively to secure a grant through the state for 1.2 million dollars. There will be 25 projects selected for this at random, it will be live and in zoom at the Moline Public Library. This will be for homes for repair, it will be for certain people who meet a lower income level and are trying to stay in their home as a scenario, that could be handicap ramps, roofing, siding, painting or fencing. Whatever they may need to stay in their homes. On January 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 5pm I will be here at City Hall if anyone needs help registering for that or you can do it online. It is a 1-day event and a short window. I will leave the qualifications up front; it is also on the water bill and on our FB page. On Thursday some of the media stations will have it on the news. If we do not spend 1.2 million on those 25 projects, we will have another lottery to continue it on. We are hoping to do this each year. We have been hand delivering some of these to the houses we know can use this.

**7.3) City Engineer's Report: None**

**7.4) City Treasurer's Report: In Packet**

**7.5) City Clerk's Report:**

Amy said I want to give all our boards and elected officials notice that you will be getting a state of Economic Interest form from Rock Island County Clerks Office, I have sent all your information, names, address, and phone numbers. Those must be filled out and sent back to Rock Island County by May 1<sup>st</sup>. If you bring them to me, I will be happy to make sure they get there or if you drop them in the mail that is fine too. Do not ignore them, they have to be filled out and returned. The other thing I have is the CD rates are different from what we had on the last one so we will have to change at the next meeting. Our sweep is now down to 3.75%, the CD rate will be 3.5%, it is still more than our sweep. Welcome Chief Karzin.

**7.6) Mayor's Report:**

The mayor had no report.

## ***Committee of the Whole***

***06 January 2025***

### **8) Call for an adjournment form the COW Meeting**

Mayor Bob Cervantes asked for a motion to adjourn from 06 January 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council

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

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to adjourn from the 06 January 2026 Committee of the Whole. Motion to second by Alderman Chad Vroman.

#### ***Motion carried via voice vote:***

The 06 January 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 7:02pm.

## ***Regular Meeting***

***06 January 2025***

### **1) City Council Call to Order**

### **2) Roll Call:**

Members Present: Alderman Chad Vroman, Alderman Rick Butts, Alderman Steve Marinaccio, Alderman Dave Rice, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters

### **3) Public Comment: Pam Moore**

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

### **5) Vote to establish consent agenda as read**

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

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to establish consent agenda as read. Motion seconded by Alderman Dave Rice.

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

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

### **6): Vote to approve items on the consent agenda**

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

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated 06 January 2026. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

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

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Alderwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

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

**8) Discussion and possible action on:**

**8.1 VFD Enclosure from Electric Pump NTE \$21,620.00**

***Motion:***

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**8.4 Comprehensive plan by Bi-State for \$18,065**

***Motion:***

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to approve Tax Levy. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

***Vote:***

Members Vote: Alderman Chad Vroman - Yes, Alderman Rick Butts – Yes, Alderman Doug Greer – Absent, Alderman Craig Pirmann - Absent, Alderman Steve Marinaccio – Yes, Alderman David Rice - Yes, Aldерwoman Chrissy Winters - Yes

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**06 January 2025**

### **8.5 Renew Lease for a new copier/printer @ Public Works for \$190.79/month**

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#### **Vote:**

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Motion carried 5 ayes 0 nays Absent 2

## **9) City Staff Reports**

### **A) Fire Department:**

Chief Dave Johnson said I would like to welcome Chief aboard, I look forward to doing great things with you. Last night there was a structure fire in Silvis, and the department did a great job, and thanks to all of the mutual departments as well, East Moline, Hampton and Carbon Cliff.

### **B) Inspections Department:**

Tom said Real Leaf Botanical is going to be starting their greenhouses for their grow facility. I am going to retire on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **C) Police Department:**

Chief Gene Karzin said for the last 36 hours I have been here, thank you for your confidence in me. I hope we can do great things together and I look forward to working with all the departments. I want to thank the mayor, Jerry and Amy for putting on a great swearing in, there were a lot of people there and it was really humbling and I really appreciate it. I have met with the FD, the supervisors and discussed the positives and what we can do in the future. There were a lot of great ideas, and I look forward to working on those ideas and moving forward. I am learning all the processes and systems, it will be a learning curve, but I appreciate the support you give me.

### **D) Public Works & Parks:**

Joe Rockwell said update on the new dump trucks we are now looking at mid-January. We do have another storm coming this weekend so we will be ready for that. Welcome Chief.

## **10) Alderman Comments**

**Alderman Chad Vroman** said welcome Gene. I hope you all had a good Christmas and New Year's.

**Alderman Rick Butts** said Chief welcome and nice to meet you tonight. Happy New Year to everyone else. I am looking forward to the City of Progress, so let's make progress.

**Alderman Steve Marinaccio** said Chief one more hi there how are you, you look better today with the uniform on. I am looking forward to the projects coming up, good read on Jerry's paper has a lot of exciting things going on and I am looking forward and flush it out as we go and let the community really know what kind of a good solid progress we are in. Jerry is doing a great job on that and I am looking forward to another great year.

## **Regular Meeting**

**06 January 2025**

**Alderman Dave Rice** said welcome aboard Gene. I want to ask Joe about the dump trucks and why they are taking so long. Joe said everyone is 2 to 5 years out for trucks and there are no other options. We have been paying for them now for a year, it is a lease. Dave wanted to know why we are paying for something we don't have. Joe said we lease them from Ford Motor Credit, they had to pay for the trucks to be shipped to get outfitted and we are paying them back. These are 2025 trucks.

**Alderwoman Chrissy Winters** said thank you, Joe for staying after. They have some questions they want answered and I do appreciate you staying after. Chief Johnson thank you for serving us that Chili even though you tried to kill some of us with how hot yours was. It was a nice little thing to go to the FD and hang out with the guys for a few minutes. Again, Chief Karzin, welcome and we have lots in store for us.

### **11) Mayor Comments**

Mayor Bob Cervantes said I wish you all a Happy New Year and in 2026 I am looking for great things out of this Council and this City for the residence. This is my first full year as mayor. 8 months prior, I have learned a lot, and I am still learning as you can tell when I mess up on the agenda, but I have a good clerk and administrator to keep me in line. I want to welcome Gene, we had coffee this morning and got some things straightened away. Being mayor, I have appointed a new Fire Chief, and I think we have a winner over there. We have done a good job with Gene, so I am batting 2 for 2, I guess. Now Tom is leaving me, it must be something I said, I lost John Winters, I lost VanKlaveren and now Tom, but we will find someone for Tom. We have known each other for a while and you have done great things here, sometimes we need to work on your people's skills, but we got you. We are looking for a new 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman, Josh Dyer left, so we have 5 candidates for the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward and we are still looking. I have 60 days to replace the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward. Let's work together, let's not name call, let's not throw out attacks on social media because they do get back whether you think we are on or off, we do find out. As mayor if we are not going to work together let's not come in here and say all kumbaya and then get on social media and make some attacks. I will find out and I will put it out to all of you serving this city. It doesn't look good to our residence when the council can't get along, so let's all work together.

### **12) Call for adjournment of the Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council.**

Mayor Bob Cervantes said if there was no more business to bring before the 06 January 2026 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council, he would entertain a motion to adjourn.

#### **Motion:**

Alderman Steve Marinaccio made a motion to adjourn from the 06 January 2026 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council. Motion seconded by Alderman Chad Vroman.

#### **Vote:**

#### **Motion carried via voice vote:**

06 January 2026 Regular Meeting of the Silvis City Council adjourned at 8:17pm

Submitted by,

Amy Malmstrom  
City Clerk

