

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting
Held Thursday, March 17th, 2005

The Council of the City of Silverton met for a meeting in Council Chambers at 6860 Plainfield Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17th, 2005. Mayor Siegel called the meeting to order.

OPENING REMARKS:

Councilman Sylvester opened the meeting with a prayer and Trefawn Johnson, the Silverton Paideia Student of the Month for March, lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

ALSO PRESENT:

James Siegel	Mayor	Present	Mark Wendling, City Manager
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present	Bryan Pacheco, Solicitor
Michael E. Morthorst	Council	Present	Meredith George, Administrative Clerk
Mark J. Quarry	Council	Present	
John A. Smith	Council	Absent	
Joyce B. Glover	Council	Present	
Idella Thompson	Council	Present	
Mary F. Shea	Clerk- Treasurer	Present	

REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:

No changes were needed in the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

The minutes from February 17th, 2005 – Special Meeting, February 17th, 2005 Council Meeting and the March 3rd, 2005 Workshop were presented for approval. Councilman Quarry motioned to accept the minutes as submitted and was seconded by Councilwoman Thompson. All voted aye. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND GUESTS:

1. Councilwoman Glover introduced the March 2005 Student of the Month, Miss Trefawn Johnson and Mayor Siegel presented Miss Johnson with a proclamation.
2. Mayor Siegel reminded Council of the Hamilton County Municipal League/Hamilton County Township Association Joint Meeting on March 31, 2005 at The Grove Banquet Hall on Winton Road in Springfield Township.

3. Mayor Siegel also reminded Council of the 22nd Annual Greater Cincinnati Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on April 4th.
4. Mayor Siegel announced Silverton's First Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Silverton's Ficke Memorial Park on Saturday, March 19th at 11:00 am. The Easter Egg Hunt is being sponsored by the Silverton Block Watch Association, along with help from the Silverton Sweet Pea Garden Society and the Deer Park/Silverton Joint Fire District. The Mayor noted all were welcome and the Esther Price Easter Bunny would also be there.

OLD BUSINESS AND GENERAL COMMENTS:

Morris Gibson – 6605 Plainfield Road

Mr. Gibson stated he had a complaint regarding the police department that he wished to discuss with the City Manager. Mr. Wendling told Mr. Gibson he would be happy to talk to him immediately after the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Budget Report
 - 1.1. Mr. Wendling gave the February 2005 budget report. Councilman Smith moved for approval and was seconded by Councilwoman Thompson. All voted aye. Motion carried.
2. City Manager's Report
 - 2.1. Mr. Wendling reported that the Sampson/Oak spring project has been advertised in the Suburban Life. Mr. Wendling noted that the bid opening was scheduled for March 30, 2005 at 10:00 am and that project commencement is anticipated for early May.
 - 2.2. Mr. Wendling reported that the demolition of the house at 6857 Stewart Road is complete. Mr. Wendling also noted that a lien was placed on the property so we can re-coup our demolition costs when the property is sold. Mr. Wendling also reported that the property was up for sale at the Sheriff's auction on March 10, 2005, but we have been unable to determine whether or not the property has been sold.

OPEN DISCUSSION / NEW ISSUES BY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

1. Councilwoman Thompson inquired about who would fill Councilman Anderson's spot as council representative to Silverton School. After some discussion, it was decided that the Mayor would follow up with Principal Dendy to determine who would fill the opening.
2. Councilman Quarry asked if we would be using the street sweeping service again this spring. Mr. Wendling noted that he would need to ask our Service Foreman, Rick Lehmkuhl, if we would be providing that service again. The Mayor noted it would be beneficial to have it done before the Memorial Day Parade.
3. Councilman Quarry wanted the citizens to be aware that the cost of the Hamilton County Storm Water Storm District may be passed on to the citizens next year. Mr. Quarry noted that if passed on to residents it would appear as an assessment on the property tax bill.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:

Mr. Wendling introduced 05-458 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with the Local Government Services Section of the Office of the Auditor of State for the Purpose of Converting the City from Cash Basis Accounting to

Accrual Basis Accounting and 05-459 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Electronic Commerce Link, Inc. for Development, Management, and Hosting of the City of Silverton's Website.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING NEW BUSINESS:

None.

READING OF PENDING LEGISLATION:

Clerk-Treasurer Shea read 05-458 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with the Local Government Services Section of the Office of the Auditor of State for the Purpose of Converting the City from Cash Basis Accounting to Accrual Basis Accounting. Councilman Smith moved for adoption and was seconded by Councilwoman Thompson. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Shea read 05-459 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Electronic Commerce Link, Inc. for Development, Management, and Hosting of the City of Silverton's Website. Councilwoman Glover moved to adopt the legislation and was seconded by Councilman Sylvester. A roll call voted was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilman Smith moved to adjourn to executive session, and was seconded by Councilwoman Thompson. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilwoman Thompson motioned to return from executive session. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Glover and seconded by Councilman Morthorst. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Shea
Clerk-Treasurer

James L. Siegel
Mayor

Mark T. Wendling
City Manager