

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting  
Held Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 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, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005. Mayor Siegel called the meeting to order.

**OPENING REMARKS:**

Councilman Sylvester opened the meeting with a prayer and Malcolm Hopkins, the Silverton Paideia April Student of the Month, 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, City Solicitor
Michael E. Morthorst	Council	Absent	Meredith George, Administrative Clerk
Mark J. Quarry	Council	Present	
John A. Smith	Council	Present	
Joyce B. Glover	Council	Absent	
Idella Thompson	Council	Present	
Mary F. Shea	Clerk- Treasurer	Present	

Councilman Smith motioned to excuse both Councilwoman Glover and Councilman Morthorst who were both absent for health reasons. Councilwoman Thompson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:**

No changes were needed in the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:**

The minutes from March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Council Meeting and the April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Workshop were presented for approval. Councilwoman Thompson noted two corrections. Mrs. George indicated the corrections were made prior to the meeting, but after council had received their packets. Councilwoman Thompson motioned to accept the minutes as corrected and was seconded by Councilman Sylvester. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND GUESTS:**

1. Councilman Sylvester introduced the April 2005 Student of the Month, Mr. Malcolm Hopkins and Mayor Siegel presented Mr. Hopkins with a proclamation.

## **OLD BUSINESS AND GENERAL COMMENTS:**

### Jean Quarry – 7032 East Avenue

Mrs. Quarry addressed council on behalf of the Silverton Sweet Pea Garden Society. Mrs. Quarry informed council that the Garden Society would be involved in the Great American Clean Up on Saturday, April 23, 2005 at the Train Station from 10 am – 2 pm and invited anyone interested to stop up and lend a helping hand. Mrs. Quarry also noted that the Garden Society made their first entry into the Cincinnati Flower Show this year and was awarded a Silver Medal. The newly formed Silverton Sweet Pea Garden Society is also accepting new members and anyone interested should contact Kathy Benken at 891-1040.

### Melvin Reeves – 4008 Tamworth Circle

Mr. Reeves noted he saw Mr. Wendling's recent Channel 9 interview regarding the proposed Moeller football stadium project. Mr. Reeves voiced his concerns regarding the parking issue, and was reassured by both Mr. Wendling and council that the project was still in the discussion phase. Mr. Wendling also reported that there have been no discussion with Moeller since January and basically the project is in a holding pattern. Councilman Quarry noted that if the project does progress there will be public hearings so residents have an opportunity to voice any concerns they might have.

## **NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Budget Report
  - 1.1. Mr. Wendling gave the March 2005 budget report. Councilman Smith moved for approval and was seconded by Councilman Sylvester. All voted aye. Motion carried.
2. City Manager's Report
  - 2.1. Mr. Wendling informed council that funding for the engineering phase of the Lower Plainfield Road Improvement Project has been approved by and awarded to the city by Hamilton County. The funding is through Municipal Road Aid in the amount of \$75,000.
  - 2.2. Mr. Wendling noted that the Cincinnati Public Schools Facilities Committee has recommended that Silverton School be rebuilt at the current Silverton site. Mr. Wendling also noted there were copies of correspondence from Kennedy Heights about their position on the school site in the council packets. The copies were provided for informational purposes only.
  - 2.3. Mr. Wendling reported the fact sheet regarding the operating levy was ready to be distributed to the residents. Councilman Quarry wanted all residents to be aware that the operating levy is a renewal and there will be no increase in taxes.
  - 2.4. Mr. Wendling informed council they had been given a listing of all the committee assignments and board members. Mr. Wendling asked council to review the information and forward any corrections to Mayor Siegel.
  - 2.5. Mr. Wendling reported the website is coming along quite nicely and will most likely debut on May 1, 2005.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION / NEW ISSUES BY ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

1. Councilman Quarry asked Mr. Wendling if the street cleaning had been scheduled. Mr. Wendling reported that our service foreman Rick Lehmkuhl was taking care of getting it scheduled and it will be closer to Memorial Day before the work will be done.

2. Councilman Quarry also inquired about the Silverton Avenue project. Mr. Wendling noted that the engineering is coming along and the project will hopefully be bid in June.
3. Councilwoman Thompson noted that the work done at the Memorial looked very nice and was happy to see the project completed.
4. Councilman Quarry noted Silverton's latest new business, "Hold the Nuts". The dairy bar is located adjacent to Italianette and business has been booming.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:**

Mr. Wendling introduced 05-3192 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement between the City of Silverton and the Board of Hamilton County Commissioners Relative to the Improvement of Plainfield Road from Woodford Road to Diehl Road.

Mr. Wendling introduced 05-461 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into Agreements Providing Musical Talent for the City's Seventh Annual Summer Concerts in the Park Series.

Mr. Wendling introduced 05-462 A Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Special Revenue Fund for the Purpose of Receiving Reimbursement Funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Mr. Wendling introduced 05-463 A Resolution Directing that All City-Owned, United States Flags be Flown at Half-Staff for a Period of 30 Days from the Day of Councilman James Anderson's Death, Ending May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005, and Commemorating the Death of Councilman James Anderson.

Mr. Wendling introduced 05-464 A Resolution Designating May and June 2005 as "Spruce Up" Silverton Months.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING NEW BUSINESS:**

##### Melvin Reeves – 4008 Tamworth Circle

Mr. Reeves inquired about the first quarter of this year's budget. Mr. Wendling reported we were on target with what we budgeted. Mr. Reeves also asked about last year's audit. Mr. Wendling noted we were due for our bi-annual audit, but it has not been done yet. Mr. Reeves then asked what the revenue from our operating levy was earmarked for. Mr. Wendling reported the revenue from our operating levy was used for the daily operation of the city and accounted for about 10 percent of our budget.

##### Mary Wright – 6700 Stoll Lane

Ms. Wright complimented the city on the recent work done at the Memorial. Ms. Wright also asked about the status of the plate on the drain at Elwynne and Montgomery. Mr. Wendling noted it is an on-going problem that the city is aware of.

Mayor Siegel reminded all that the Blockwatch Yard Sale is Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> in the municipal building parking lot.

#### **READING OF PENDING LEGISLATION:**

Clerk-Treasurer Shea gave the first reading of 05-3192 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement between the City of Silverton and the Board of Hamilton County

Commissioners Relative to the Improvement of Plainfield Road from Woodford Road to Diehl Road.

Clerk-Treasurer Shea read 05-461 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into Agreements Providing Musical Talent for the City's Seventh Annual Summer Concerts in the Park Series. Councilman Smith moved to adopt the legislation and was seconded by Councilman Quarry. A roll call voted was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Shea read 05-462 A Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Special Revenue Fund for the Purpose of Receiving Reimbursement Funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Councilman Quarry moved for adoption and was seconded by Councilman Smith. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Shea read 05-463 A Resolution Directing that All City-Owned, United States Flags be Flown at Half-Staff for a Period of 30 Days from the Day of Councilman James Anderson's Death, Ending May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005, and Commemorating the Death of Councilman James Anderson. Mayor Siegel read the entire resolution to the audience. Councilman Quarry moved for adoption and was seconded by Councilwoman Thompson. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Shea read 05-464 A Resolution Designating May and June 2005 as "Spruce Up" Silverton Months. Councilwoman Thompson moved for adoption and was seconded by Councilman Smith. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Sylvester. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary F. Shea  
Clerk-Treasurer

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James L. Siegel  
Mayor

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Mark T. Wendling  
City Manager