

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting
Held Thursday, January 18th, 2007

The Council of the City of Silverton met for a business meeting in Council Chambers at 6860 Plainfield Road at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 18th, 2007. Mayor John Smith called the meeting to order.

OPENING REMARKS:

Councilman Sylvester led the prayer and James Christerpher Johnson, the January 2007 Student of the Month, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

ALSO PRESENT:

John Smith	Mayor	Present	Mark Wendling	City Manager
Joyce Glover	Council	Present	Bryan Pacheco	City Solicitor
Shirley Hackett	Council	Present	Meredith George	Clerk of Council
Mike Morthorst	Council	Present		
Mark Quarry	Council	Present		
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present		
Idella Thompson	Council	Present		

REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:

No changes needed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

Mayor Smith presented minutes from the following meetings for approval: December 19, 2006 Business Meeting and the January 4, 2007 Workshop. Mrs. Thompson motioned for approval with any necessary corrections and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND GUESTS:

1. Mr. Quarry introduced James Christerpher Johnson, the Silverton Paideia January 2007 Student of the Month. Mayor Smith presented Mr. Johnson with a proclamation.
2. Mayor Smith reminded Council of the Hamilton County Municipal League meeting on January 31, 2007 at the Wyoming Civic Center. Mayor Smith asked anyone interested in attending to let Ms. George know, so that she may make the reservations.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mary Wright – 6700 Stoll Lane

Mrs. Wright wished to thank all the residents who participated in the coat and clothing drive sponsored by the Silverton Block Watch Association. Fifty-six boxes of donated items were shipped to Officer Alan Kabakoff, who is stationed

in Kosovo. The event was a great success and a wonderful outreach program. Mrs. Wright stated Block Watch is hoping to receive pictures of the citizens enjoying the donated items from Officer Kabakoff.

OLD BUSINESS AND GENERAL COMMENTS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Clerk of Court Report

Mrs. George gave the Mayor's Court Report for December 2006. Mrs. Thompson motioned to approve the Mayor's Court Report and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. All voted aye. Motion carried.

2. Budget Report

Mr. Peterson gave the December 2006 Budget Report. Mrs. Hackett motioned to approve the October 2006 Budget Report and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

3. City Manager's Report

Mayor Smith turned the meeting over to Mr. Wendling to present his report.

3.1. 2007 Budgets

Mr. Wendling presented Council with the final 2007 budget books. The books are for Council to keep and use as needed.

3.2. Business Meeting hosted by Benken's Florist

Mr. Wendling reported there was a meeting on January 10, 2007 at Benken's for the local business owners. There was a good turnout and Mr. Wendling is hopeful that a merchant's association will develop from the meetings. The group plans to meet again in March and Play-by-Play is interested in hosting.

3.3. Property Appraisals

Mr. Wendling stated the property appraisals are moving along and a site visit is planned for next week.

3.4. City Logo

Mr. Wendling noted that he has been in contact with Beth Gulley from BT Graphics and asked her to refine the sample logos based on the feedback he received from Council. Mr. Wendling will present the changes to Council once he receives them.

3.5. Tree Maintenance Ordinance

Mr. Wendling reported the tree maintenance ordinance is on tonight's agenda. The ordinance was created using guideline from the City of Montgomery and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Additionally,

the Urban Forestry Board will need to develop a tree manual, but we will also use guidelines from the City of Montgomery.

4. New FOP Contract

Mr. Wendling stated there was a resolution on tonight's agenda regarding the new FOP contract. The major changes are: 3.5% Wage Increase, an increase in 2 uniforms provided to 4 uniforms provided, and providing dry cleaning for the uniforms.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Councilman Sylvester

Planning Commission - No report.

2. Councilwoman Thompson

ICRC – No report.

Fire District – No report.

3. Councilwoman Glover

Mrs. Glover reported that the LSDMC recently met and the group is in the process of redesigning so that it may function properly. The LSDMC is the governing board for the school and is trying to place the members in the areas will they will best be used. The LSDMC will have a meeting on February 20, 2007 to welcome new members. The members will be inducted at the March 20, 2007 meeting. Mr. Wendling reported that the museum school concept is still very much alive and the Cincinnati Art Museum has been generating interest from other museums. There is a videoconference scheduled for February 5, 2007 with the museum school in Raleigh, NC that has been nationally recognized.

4. Councilwoman Hackett

Mrs. Hackett stated that 5 members of the Urban Forestry Board attended a conference today at the OSU Extension office in Piketon, Ohio. The conference highlighted the social and theoretical perspectives of Urban Forestry.

Civil Service Commission – No report.

5. Councilman Morthorst

Mr. Morthorst reported the Tax Review Board has two new cases that will be heard in February.

Mr. Morthorst reported that the Charter Review Committee would be meeting in February or March to discuss possible future amendments.

6. Councilman Quarry

Mr. Quarry reported that the HCSWD has a meeting schedule for January 25th, 2007 so he will have a report next month. Mr. Quarry also mentioned the minimum control measures that are mandated by the Federal Government, and the oversight board plans to stick to the minimums.

OKI – No report.

OPEN DISCUSSION / NEW ISSUES BY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mr. Wendling informed Council he spoke with Mike Burson, Facilities Director for CPS and it was his understanding that no additional legislation was required for the property swap. Mr. Wendling also reported he has a call in to Cynthia Dillon to confirm that this is correct. Mrs. Glover added that the project is on the fast track.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:

Mr. Wendling introduced Ordinance 07-3235 An Ordinance Adding Chapter 52 to the Municipal Code of Ordinances to Read as Follows in Exhibit "A" and Declaring an Emergency.

Mr. Wendling introduced Resolution 07-518 A Resolution Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Silverton, Ohio and the Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council, Inc.

Mr. Wendling introduced Resolution 07-519 A Resolution Directing that All City-Owned Flags be Flown at Half-Staff for a Period of 30 Days from the Day of President Ford's Death Through January 26, 2007 And Commemorating the Death of President Gerald Ford.

READING OF PENDING LEGISLATION:

Mrs. George gave the reading of Ordinance 07-3235 An Ordinance Adding Chapter 52 to the Municipal Code of Ordinances to Read as Follows in Exhibit "A" and Declaring an Emergency. Mrs. Glover motioned for passage and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Mrs. Glover motioned to suspend the rules and was seconded by Mrs. Thompson. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 07-518 A Resolution Approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Silverton, Ohio and the Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council, Inc. Mr. Sylvester motioned for passage and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 07-519 A Resolution Directing that All City-Owned Flags be Flown at Half-Staff for a Period of 30 Days from the Day of President Ford's Death Through January 26, 2007 And Commemorating the

Death of President Gerald Ford. Mr. Quarry motioned for passage and was seconded by Mrs. Glover. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Morthorst. All present were in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith L. George
Clerk of Council

John A. Smith
Mayor

Mark T. Wendling
City Manager