

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting

Held Thursday, March 15th, 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, March 15th, 2007. Mayor John Smith called the meeting to order.

OPENING REMARKS:

Councilman Sylvester led the prayer and the Silverton Paideia School Choir 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	Tom Peterson	Finance Director
Mark Quarry	Council	Present		
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present		
Idella Thompson	Council	Present		

REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:

Mayor Smith noted that Sonia Warner was present to be sworn in as the newest member of the Civil Service Commission.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

Mayor Smith presented minutes from the following meetings for approval: February 15, 2007 Business Meeting and the March 1, 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. Mayor Smith introduced Mr. Kent Underwood, music teacher at Silverton Paideia School. Mr. Underwood presented the Silverton Paideia School Choir, which sang two songs for Council.
2. Mrs. Glover presented Miss Dominique Jones, the February 2007 Silverton Paideia School Student of the Month. Mayor Smith presented Miss Jones with a proclamation.
3. Mr. Sylvester presented Miss Felicia Hosley, the March 2007 Silverton Paideia School Student of the Month. Mayor Smith presented Miss Hosley with a proclamation.
4. Mayor Smith introduced Mrs. Dottie Schwartz who presented Council a gift from Mr. Carl H. Lindner. Mr. Lindner graciously gave the City of Silverton 2780 shares of American Financial Stock, with a market value of \$100,000. Council thanked Mrs. Schwartz for representing Silverton so well and thanked Mr. Lindner for his generosity and love for Silverton.
5. Mr. Paul Waldsmith, Executive Director for the Blue Ash YMCA, addressed Council to discuss the Strong Kids program that the YMCA offers for children in the surrounding areas.

6. Mayor Smith introduced Sonia Warner and administered the oath of office to Ms. Warner, who is the newest member of the Civil Service Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

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 February 2007. Mrs. Hackett motioned to approve the Mayor's Court Report and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All voted aye. Motion carried.

2. Budget Report

Mr. Peterson gave the February 2007 Budget Report. Mr. Quarry motioned to approve the February 2007 Budget Report and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. 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. Free Tire Pick-Up until April 27, 2007

Mr. Wendling noted that the City is participating in the Keep Cincinnati Beautiful program and will have a dumpster for tire disposal. If a resident wishes to participate they need to call Rick Lehmkuhl at 936-6220 or 936-6235 to notify the City and they will pick up the tires and dispose of them.

- 3.2. Montgomery and Plainfield Project

Mr. Wendling stated there is an ordinance on tonight's agenda to approve the funding for the engineering portion of the Montgomery/Plainfield Road project via the Municipal Road Aid Funds.

- 3.3. Third Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Mr. Wendling reported that the Third Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at Ficke Park on Saturday, March 31, 2007 at 11:00 am. Mrs. Thompson will give more details in her Park Board report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Councilwoman Glover

Mrs. Glover reported that the Museum School concept has a great deal of support and the LSDMC is very excited about it. Mrs. Thomasine Dendy, principal of Silverton School, along with 5 teachers on the steering committee, is presently visiting the museum school in Raleigh, NC to further explore the concept.

2. Councilwoman Hackett

Mrs. Hackett reported that the Urban Forestry Board was recently featured in two separate articles in the Cincinnati Enquirer. Mrs. Hackett added that the board is

always welcoming new members. The Arbor Day celebration has been scheduled on April 27, 2007 in conjunction with Silverton Paideia School. As part of the celebration a tree will be planted at the park surrounding the train station.

3. Councilman Morthorst

Mr. Morthorst stated that the two pending cases for the Tax Review Board have finally been heard.

4. Councilman Quarry

OKI – Mr. Quarry reported that OKI has an upcoming meeting on March 22, 2007.

HCSWD – Mr. Quarry reported that regional meetings had taken place earlier today which Mr. Wendling had attended. Mr. Wendling reported that there were reforms in place which will be implemented later on this year.

5. Councilman Sylvester

Mr. Sylvester reported that the Planning Commission met last week and approved the lot split for the property on Stewart Road that houses the Small World Daycare.

6. Councilwoman Thompson

Park Board - Mrs. Thompson reported the Park Board met last week and accomplished two main objectives – Jean Quarry and Andrea Mathein were appointed co-chairs and the details of the Easter Egg Hunt were worked out. The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 31, 2007 at 11:00 am.

ICRC – Mrs. Thompson reported that ICRC has agreed to tape the Easter Egg Hunt and air it on the public access channel. Mrs. Thompson also reported that the cameras have been worked on to improve the color.

Fire District – Mrs. Thompson reported that the Fire District had 79 details the night of the ice storm. She said the employees did a great job responding to our residents needs and she appreciates the job they do.

OPEN DISCUSSION / NEW ISSUES BY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mr. Quarry thanked Larry from ICRC, who records our meetings, stating that Larry has been recording the Silverton meetings for a long time and does a great job.

Mrs. Thompson noted that former Councilman Tony Burke passed away last week and wanted to inform everyone of his passing.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:

Mr. Wendling introduced Ordinance 07-3237 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement between the City of Silverton and the Board of Hamilton County Commissioners Relative to the Improvement of Montgomery Road and Plainfield Road from South of Montgomery Road to North of Montgomery Road.

Mr. Wendling introduced Ordinance 07-3238 An Ordinance Approving Splitting Hamilton County Auditor Parcel Number 602-0010-0037 Into Two Lots and Declaring an Emergency.

READING OF PENDING LEGISLATION:

Mrs. George Ordinance 07-3237 An Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement between the City of Silverton and the Board of Hamilton County Commissioners Relative to the Improvement of Montgomery Road and Plainfield Road from South of Montgomery Road to North of Montgomery Road. Mr. Sylvester motioned for passage and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried. Mr. Morthorst motioned to suspend the rule and was seconded by Mrs. Thompson. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Ordinance 07-3238 An Ordinance Approving Splitting Hamilton County Auditor Parcel Number 602-0010-0037 Into Two Lots and Declaring an Emergency. Mr. Quarry motioned for passage and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. 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.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Quarry. 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