

## **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Workshop  
Held Thursday, September 6, 2007

The Council of the City of Silverton met for a workshop in Council Chambers at 6860 Plainfield Road at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 6, 2007. Mayor Smith called the meeting to order.

### **OPENING REMARKS:**

Mr. Sylvester led in prayer and Mayor Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

ALSO PRESENT:

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

Mayor Smith noted that Mrs. Thompson would not be present at the meeting. Mrs. Glover motioned to excuse Mrs. Thompson and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. All voted aye. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*Carrie Jamison – Sampson Lane*

Mrs. Jamison addressed Council to thank them for helping her resolve the vehicle situation in front of her house.

### **CITY MANAGER'S WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### 1. New Logo

Mr. Wendling presented the proposed new city logo. The new logo incorporates the font of the current logo with a Silver Linden Leaf. The new logo also has a new tag line of "a front porch community" as most of the houses in Silverton have front porches. A brief discussion followed. Mrs. Hackett motioned to adopt the logo as the official logo of the City of Silverton and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

#### 2. Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan

Mr. Wendling recommended that Council review the proposed Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan for passage at the next business meeting. The plan is recommended for every community by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

#### 3. Video Services Provider Fees

Mr. Wendling reported he provided Council with a ordinance for the next business meeting addressing SB 117 which modified how cable franchise fees are to be distributed. The ordinance will require Time Warner Cable to still pay

the City the 5% franchise fee if they decide to opt out of the current agreement due to the changes brought forth by the passage of SB 117. Mr. Pacheco is still reviewing the legislation and will have it ready for the next business meeting.

4. Property and Casualty Insurance Update

Mr. Wendling reported that he is recommending the City stay with the Ohio Plan for our property and casualty insurance. The City is experiencing a reduction in premium this year due to participation in a risk management assessment. The reduction in premium was able to increase the coverage and decrease the cost of the premium.

5. Silverton School Public Meetings

Mr. Wendling reported that we need to schedule some dates for the public meetings regarding the new Silverton School. Mr. Wendling recommends that CPS representatives run the meetings, as the school is their project. Mr. Wendling recommends that Silverton elected officials be present to answer citizen questions as well. Mr. Wendling will get together with CPS and select two dates – one evening meeting and one Saturday morning meeting. Mr. Wendling plans to invite the press and ICRC.

6. Office Format Changes

Mr. Wendling reported there will be some changes to the office format. The desk in the lobby has created too many interruptions for Mrs. George, therefore Mr. Lehmkuhl will be moving to the empty desk next to Mr. Peterson. Mrs. George will then be moving into Mr. Lehmkuhl's old office. Additionally, there will be changes made to the vault and the file cabinets to create room for the code enforcement officer. Council discussed the possibility of having a part time receptionist. Mrs. Glover suggested soliciting volunteers to help with reception duties. Mr. Wendling said he would look into it.

7. CRA – Need to Appoint Housing Council

Mr. Wendling reported that the petitions for the CRA petitions have been filed with the Ohio Department of Development. Once approved the City will need to appoint a Housing Council. Mr. Quarry mentioned adding a LEED component to the CRA's. Mr. Wendling said he would not recommend it at this time for the residential CRA's, as the petitions have already been filed. Mr. Wendling added it may be something we can look at for the pending commercial CRA.

8. Building Department Services

Mr. Wendling reported he has interviewed several candidates for the Code Enforcement Officer position and should have a decision made soon.

9. SCIP Application

Mr. Wendling reported Mr. Emerick is working on our SCIP application and the resolution should be ready for the next business meeting.

10. Census Challenge

Mr. Wendling reported that Ms. Joanna Brown has completed the census challenge and the worst case scenario is that we lost ½ of a person. The challenged will be filed in October, simultaneously with the other communities that are participating in the challenge.

11. Any Additional Items

Mrs. Glover reported a rental home with a large number of residents and a lot of traffic in and out of the house.

Mrs. Glover also reported a pit bull on Stoll Lane and did not know if there was a law banning them in Silverton. Mrs. Glover added that the neighbors next to the home with the dog are unhappy because the excrement in the back yard is not being cleaned up. Mr. Wendling stated he did not think we had an ordinance banning pit bulls, but he would look into it.

Mr. Quarry reported cracks in the walking path at Ficke Park.

Mr. Quarry would like the push bar on the new Explorer idea revisited.

**ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mr. Quarry motioned to adjourn to executive session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation or a public employee per ORC 121.22(G). Mrs. Glover seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO RECONVENE MEETING:**

Mr. Quarry motioned to adjourn executive session and reconvene the regular meeting. Mrs. Hackett seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Sylvester made a motion for adjournment, which was seconded by Mr. Quarry. All voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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John A. Smith  
Mayor

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Mark T. Wendling  
City Manager

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Meredith L. George  
Clerk of Council