

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting
Held Thursday, December 20th, 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, December 20th, 2007. Mayor John Smith called the meeting to order.

OPENING REMARKS:

Mrs. Glover 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
Willa Garner	Council	Present	Bryan Pacheco	City Solicitor
Joyce Glover	Council	Present	Meredith George	Clerk of Council
Shirley Hackett	Council	Present	Tom Peterson	Finance Director
Mark Quarry	Council	Present		
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present		
Dottie Williams	Council	Present		

REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:

No changes needed.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS:

The oath of office was administered to Mayor Smith, Vice-Mayor Hackett and Council members Garner, Glover, Hackett, Quarry, Sylvester and Williams by the Honorable Ted Berry, Hamilton County Municipal Court Judge. The oath was followed by a short reception.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

Mayor Smith presented minutes from the following meetings for approval: November 15, 2007 Business Meeting, November 20, 2007 Special Meeting, November 29, 2007 Special Meeting and December 6, 2007 Workshop. Mrs. Glover motioned for approval with any necessary corrections and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND GUESTS:

1. Mayor Smith thanked everyone who was in attendance for this evening's ceremony.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mary Wright – 6700 Stoll Lane

Mrs. Wright welcomed the new council and stated she looks forward to working with them to accomplish the city's goals over the next two years.

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 November 2007. Mr. Sylvester motioned to approve the Mayor's Court Report and was seconded by Mrs. Glover. All voted aye. Motion carried.
2. Budget Report
Mr. Peterson gave the November 2007 Budget Report. Mrs. Glover motioned to approve the Budget Report and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. All voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Councilwoman Garner
ICRC – No report. The next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2008.
2. Councilman Sylvester
Planning Commission – Mr. Sylvester reported the Planning Commission recently met to review and approve the RFP for the zoning re-write.
3. Councilwoman Glover
LSDMC – No report.
4. Councilwoman Williams
Fire Board – Mrs. Williams reported that the Fire Board met on 12/11/07. The 2008 Budget was discussed, as well as the P.O.D. project, which helps citizens receive immunizations in the event of a pandemic. Additionally, the Fire District has applied for 2 grants, and just received word that they will be awarded a \$270,000 grant for a new fire truck. Mrs. Idella Thompson, former board member, was honored for her service to the board.
5. Councilman Quarry
HCSWD – No report.

OKI – No report.

Park Board – Mr. Quarry reported that Santa at the Train Station was cancelled due to inclement weather and due to his busy holiday schedule is unable to reschedule for this year. The Park Board will meet in January to discuss and plan events for 2008.
6. Councilwoman Hackett
Urban Forestry Board – Mrs. Hackett reported that she attended a Winter Tree and Shrub seminar at Northern Kentucky University that was very informative. The hazardous tree walk scheduled for December 13 was postponed due to inclement weather; however the UFB had a great in-service with Wendi Van Buren in lieu of the tree walk. The next UFB meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building. All are welcome.

OPEN DISCUSSION / NEW ISSUES BY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mr. Wendling reminded everyone that the City Offices will be closed on Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25, 2007. The offices will also be closed on Tuesday, January 1, 2008.

Mr. Wendling also reported that Mr. Dave Emerick, the City's longtime engineer, will be leaving CDS at the end of the year to take a job with Duke Energy. Mr. Emerick will be greatly missed. Pat Madl will be doing the majority of Silverton's engineering work, under the supervision of a lead engineer who has not yet been selected.

Mr. Quarry asked if the Ohio Plan Major Medical quote had come back yet. Mr. Wendling stated it had not, although he expects it soon. Mr. Quarry asked if health insurance could be a shared service with the county. Mr. Wendling reported it could, however, when it was looked into it was not beneficial to the City.

Mrs. Hackett reported an incident of panhandling at a Silverton business. Mr. Wendling stated he would report it to the police and advised business owners to call the police immediately if the situation occurs at their place of business.

READING OF LEGISLATION:

Mrs. George gave the reading of Ordinance 07-3259 An Ordinance to Levy Special Assessments on Property for the Total Cost of Mitigating Noxious Weeds and High Grass Pursuant to Sections 91.70 - .73 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances and R.C 715.261 and Declaring an Emergency. Mrs. Hackett motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried. Mrs. Glover motioned to suspend the rules and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 07-531 A Resolution to the County Auditor to Make Advance Payments of Taxes during the Year 2008 Pursuant to ORC Section 321.34. Mrs. Garner motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 07-533 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit Application to and Enter into Contract with the Ohio Public Works Commission for State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) Funds. Mr. Sylvester motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 07-534 A Resolution for the Compensation of the Position of City Solicitor of the City of Silverton, Ohio. Mr. Quarry motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 07-535 A Resolution awarding the contract for the Plainfield Montgomery Intersection Improvement Project to Prus Construction. Mrs. Glover motioned for adoption and was seconded by Mrs. Garner. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mr. Quarry. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith L. George
Clerk of Council

John A. Smith
Mayor

Mark T. Wendling
City Manager