

## **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting  
Held Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

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, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Mayor John Smith called the meeting to order.

### **OPENING REMARKS:**

Mr. Sylvester led in silent prayer and the May 2008 Students of the Month 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	Absent		
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present		
Dottie Williams	Council	Present		

Mayor Smith reported that Mr. Quarry was out of town on business and would not be present at tonight's meeting. Mrs. Glover motioned to excuse Mr. Quarry and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

### **REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:**

No changes needed.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:**

Mayor Smith presented minutes from the following meetings for approval: April 17, 2008 Business Meeting and the May 1, 2008 Workshop. Mrs. Hackett motioned for approval with any necessary corrections and was seconded by Mrs. Williams. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

### **MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND GUESTS:**

1. Mrs. Garner introduced Ms. Tatyana Roberts, May 2008 Student of the Month, and Mayor Smith presented Ms. Roberts with a proclamation.
2. Mrs. Glover introduced Mr. Michael Watkins, May 2008 Student of the Month, and Mayor Smith presented Mr. Watkins with a proclamation.
3. Mayor Smith introduced Mrs. Marcella G. Trice, Silverton resident and 2007 Cincinnati Enquirer Woman of the Year. Mayor Smith presented Mrs. Trice with a proclamation. Mrs. Trice thanked Mayor Smith, City Council and all the residents for her recognition.
4. Mayor Smith announced the Memorial Day Parade will begin at the Silverton Train Station on Monday, May 26, 2008 at approximately 9:45 a.m. and welcomed all to come out and watch the parade.
5. Mayor Smith reminded all that Block Watch Spring Yard Sale will take place on Saturday, May 17, 2008. The next regular Block Watch meeting will be on Monday, May 19, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Meier's Winery.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS AND GENERAL COMMENTS:**

Mr. Wendling updated the Plainfield Intersection project by reporting that all the utility poles have been installed and the next step is having all the wires re-strung. This has been somewhat delayed because of the weather. Following the re-wiring will be the relocation of the additional utilities (cable, wireless, phone, etc.) which should be complete by early to mid-June. Mr. Wendling anticipates the road work to commence on or around August 1, 2008.

Mr. Wendling reported the Belkenton/Grace Road project will be put out for bid in June, with a contract awarded at the July business meeting. Commencement of the project will take place in the fall of 2008.

Mr. Wendling noted Mr. Knight's report regarding property maintenance enforcement. Mr. Knight has been very busy and is getting mostly positive feedback from the residents.

Mr. Wendling reported the Comprehensive Plan public meetings will take place on Sunday, May 18 from 2 – 4 p.m. and Thursday, May 22 from 6 – 8 p.m. at the Firehouse. All are welcome to come see what the steering committee has been working so hard on for the past year.

Mr. Wendling reported in June he will begin working on the zoning code redraft with the Planning Commission and Jay Stewart from Kleinger's and Associates.

**NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**1. Clerk of Court Report

Mrs. George gave the Mayor's Court Report for April 2008. Mrs. Williams 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 April 2008 Budget Report. Mrs. Garner motioned to approve the Budget Report and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**1. Councilwoman Hackett

Mrs. Hackett reported that Silverton has been recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation as a Tree City USA. The Urban Forestry Board has been working diligently for two years to obtain the distinction. Mrs. Hackett introduced the following Urban Forestry Board Members: Thelma Davis, Idella Thompson, Mary Wright, Nancy Kincaid, and Sandy Matey. Mrs. Hackett chairs the Urban Forestry Board. Mrs. Hackett reported that the city's second Arbor Day Celebration was a success and thanked Sandy Matey for all her hard work in chairing the event. Mrs. Hackett also reported that the Urban Forestry Board held its first Open House and thanked Thelma Davis for chairing the event. Both events were successful and the board hopes they will continue to grow in future years. In

appreciation of the board's hard work, Mrs. Hackett presented each member with a Tree City USA cap and t-shirt.

2. Councilman Sylvester  
Planning Commission – No report.

3. Councilwoman Williams  
Fire Board – No report.

4. Councilwoman Garner  
Mrs. Garner reported that the ICRC quarterly board meeting took place on April 24, 2008. The board discussed the concerns of the digital television conversion, scheduled for February 17, 2009, with specific concerns for elderly consumers.

Mrs. Garner has scheduled for ICRC to record and air the two comprehensive plan meetings scheduled for May 18 and May 22. Mrs. Garner reported she will schedule the parade to be recorded once the final details are solidified.

Mrs. Garner reported that she met with ICRC Executive Director, Pat Stern to discuss educational opportunities for anyone interested in pursuing a career in the television or filming industries. Mrs. Garner stated this was a personal goal of hers; to help students find opportunities in our area. Anyone who would be interested in a summer internship with ICRC should contact Mrs. Garner at 793-4763.

5. Councilwoman Glover  
Mrs. Glover presented Council with a packet of information from Cincinnati Public School detailing the breakdown where Silverton children are attending school. There are a vast number of choices for Silverton residents, but school which educates the largest number of Silverton children is Silverton Paideia. Council thanked Mrs. Glover for the valuable information she compiled for them.

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

None.

**READING OF PENDING LEGISLATION:**

Mrs. George gave the second reading of Ordinance 08-3262 An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Real Estate Purchase Agreement Between the City of Silverton and Daniel Kees for 0.234 Acres located at 6949 and 6955 Silverton Avenue. Mrs. Glover motioned for passage and was seconded by Mrs. Hackett. A roll call vote was taken: Sylvester – aye, Williams – nay, Glover – aye, Hackett – aye, Garner – nay. Motion carried.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEGISLATION:**

Mrs. George gave the first reading of Ordinance 08-3263 An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Real Estate Conveyance Agreement with the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Cincinnati.

Mrs. George gave the reading of Resolution 08-544 A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement of Cooperation with Hamilton County, Ohio

pursuant to provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, As Amended. Mr. Sylvester motioned for passage and was seconded by Mrs. Glover. A roll call vote was taken. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

None.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:**

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

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meredith L. George  
Clerk of Council

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John A. Smith  
Mayor

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Mark T. Wendling  
City Manager