**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Meeting

Held Thursday, July 16, 2009

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, July 16, 2009. Mayor John Smith called the meeting to order.

**OPENING REMARKS:**

Mayor Smith led a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Elected Officials:**

* John Smith, Mayor Present
* Willa Garner, Council Present
* Joyce Glover, Council Present
* Shirley Hackett, Council Present
* Mark Quarry, Council Present
* Frank Sylvester, Council Present
* Dottie Williams, Council Present

**Also present:**

* Mark Wendling, City Manager
* Bryan Pacheco, City Solicitor
* Leighanne Helmes, Tax Enforcement Officer
* Tom Peterson, Finance Director

**REVIEW MEETING AGENDA:**

No changes needed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:**

Mayor Smith presented the minutes from the June 18, 2009 Council Meeting and the July 2, 2009 Workshop for approval. Mr. Quarry motioned for approval of the minutes with any necessary corrections and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS AND GUESTS:**

1. Mayor Smith introduced Mr. Steve Johns from Citizens for Civic Renewal. Mr. Johns presented Mayor Smith with a plaque recognizing Silverton as the 2009 Collaborator of the Year. The City was chosen to receive this award due to its ongoing efforts to make government services more efficient.
2. Mayor Smith introduced Mrs. Thelma Davis, Urban Forestry Board Chair. Mrs. Davis introduced the members of the UFB and explained the role of the Urban Forestry Board in preserving and maintaining the city’s trees. Mrs. Sandy Matey and Mr. Bob Stroup addressed Council to present the new UFB brochure to Council. The brochure is available on the City’s website: [www.cityofsilverton.com](http://www.cityofsilverton.com).
3. Mayor Smith reported that Mr. Richard Shomo had resigned from the Charter Revision Committee and Mrs. Sandy Matey is being appointed to fill the remainder of Mr. Shomo’s term. Mayor Smith administered the oath to Mrs. Matey.
4. Mayor Smith introduced Mrs. Cheryl Phipps, the superintendent of Hamilton County MRDD. Mrs. Phipps explained the role and responsibilities of MRDD and gave an overview of the “What Matters Most” program. Three MRDD residents were present to speak about their experiences with MRDD.
5. Mayor Smith announced he will be hosting a Mayor’s Prayer Brunch at Silverton Paideia Elementary on Saturday, September 6, 2009 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS AND GENERAL COMMENTS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. City Manager’s Report
   1. *2009 SCIP Program*

Mr. Wendling reported the right of entry forms for the East   
Avenue Improvement Project have been mailed and need to be returned by July 24, 2009. Mr. Wendling is hopeful that the forms will be returned in a timely manner so the project can get underway. Mr. Quarry asked if Duke Energy was finished with the work they needed to do before the street projects commenced. Mr. Wendling explained that Duke Energy has completed their work on East and MSD has completed their work on Hampton. Mrs. Garner asked if the citizens will be notified of the projects and where they should park their vehicles. Mr. Wendling reported the citizens were notified of the projects in early May and the contractor notifies the residents about parking, etc once the project begins.

*1.2 Zoning Code Re-draft*

Mr. Wendling reported that the zoning code re-draft process is near completion. Two public hearings to present the changes are scheduled as follows: Thursday, August 6, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. and Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. The meetings will be held in Council Chambers. The proposed changes have been posted to the city’s website – [www.cityofsilverton.com](http://www.cityofsilverton.com).

*1.3 Charter Revision Committee*

Mr. Wendling reported the Charter Revision Committee was unable to meet earlier today due to lack of quorum. Mr. Wendling hopes they will be able to meet before the August 6th workshop because any changes to the charter will have to be voted on by Council that evening.

1. Budget Report

Mr. Peterson gave the June 2009 Budget Report. Mrs. Garner motioned for approval and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All members present voted aye. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Councilwoman Garner

No report.

1. Councilwoman Glover

Mrs. Glover discussed the principal selection process for Silverton Paideia Academy. Mrs. Glover was pleased to announce that Ms. Susan Bunte has been selected as the new principal. Both Mrs. Glover and the LSDMC are very excited about Ms. Bunte and the future of Silverton Paideia.

1. Councilman Quarry

No report.

1. Councilman Sylvester

Mr. Sylvester reported the Planning Commission will be hosting a public meeting on Thursday, August 6 at 5:30 p.m. to present the proposed zoning code changes.

1. Councilwoman Williams

No report.

1. Councilwoman Hackett

No report.

**INTRODUCTION AND READING OF LEGISTLATION:**

Mrs. Helmes gave the reading of Ordinance 09-3296 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. Garner motioned for passage and was seconded by Mr. Quarry. A roll call vote was taken. All members present voted aye. Motion carried. Mr. Quarry motioned to suspend the rules and was seconded by Mr. Sylvester. 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. Glover and seconded by Mr. Sylvester. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

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