

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Silverton Village Council Meeting Held Thursday, February 1, 2024

The Council of the Village of Silverton convened in regular session in Council Chambers at 6943 Montgomery Road at 7:11 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2024. Mayor Smith called the meeting to order.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith led a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Elected Officials:

•	John Smith, Mayor	Present
•	Britt Born, Council	Present
•	Shirley Hackett-Austin, Council	Present
•	Mark Quarry, Council	Present
•	Idella Thompson, Council	Present
•	Dottie Williams, Council	Present
•	Franklin Wilson, Council	Present

Also present:

- Jack Cameron, Village Manager
- Bryan Pacheco, Village Solicitor
- Meredith George, Clerk of Council

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Thompson motioned to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2024 Council Meeting. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Smith thanked everyone for their prayers, support and kindness due to the loss of his wife, Willa.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

- 1. Sgt. Pfaffl reported the DEA Drug Take-Back will be on Saturday, April 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Silverton Town Hall.
 - Sgt. Pfaffl reported that traffic enforcement has increased in the Village.
- 2. Mrs. Hackett-Austin reported that there were 12 new property maintenance cases initiated in January 2024. Eleven of those have been resolved. A property on Home Avenue will be cleaned up on February 6, and a property on Stoll Lane is in the process of being cleaned up.
- 3. Mr. Wilson reported that the task force evaluating the grant applications did not recommend Silverton's application to the state. Mr. Cameron noted there is still a chance we could receive the grant as our state rep is lobbying for it to be approved. We will know more in a month or two.
- 4. Mr. Quarry wished all a Happy New Year!
- 5. Ms. Born noted the 2023 annual report for the Deer Park Silverton Joint Fire District has been released. 2024 marks the 25th anniversary of the Fire District, which will be celebrated throughout the year. Stay tuned for details.
 - Ms. Born reported a new FT firefighter has been hired and the base pay for part-time employees has been increased by \$2/hour.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT

- 1. Board retreat has been scheduled for Saturday, March 23 from 9 am noon. Location TBD.
- 2. Mayor's Community Brunch is Saturday, March 9 at Benken. Principal Wiliams from Silverton Elementary is the featured speaker.
- 3. Mr. Cameron has scheduled Document Destruction to conduct a shred event for Silverton on Saturday, April 20. This will be starting at 9am and ending by 12noon or the truck is full, whichever comes first. It will be held at Silverton Elementary and will be advertised on the E-Connector and Facebook.
- 4. Neyer is continuing to work on property acquisition for the New Model Project.
- 5. JRA Real Estate is going to Council with their Stage 2 recommendation for approval from Planning Commission. This is expected to be on the March 21 agenda.
- 6. No new information on the Belkenton property.

- 7. Silverton Town Commons is complete and Mr. Cameron is working on scheduling the programming.
- 8. ODOT is closing out the Montgomery Road project and ODOT is just waiting on final contractor invoices. The Village has been trying to get an answer as to when the light at Elwynne is coming down, but has been unsuccessful. Information will be passed along as it is received.
- 9. Plainfield Road water line replacement will be back in Silverton in 2 weeks with house connections, which will take approximately three weeks. The road paving is scheduled for April or May 2024. The cost of the project was less than anticipated, so there is grant money that has not been used. Silverton has an opportunity to do additional work with a 70/30 split with SORTA. Mr. Cameron is working with the engineer to identify possible projects.
- 10. PID 116550 ODOT project (STBG) is being designed by TEC and scheduled for construction in 2025-2026. The Village will work with Meier's Winery to minimize disruptions as much as possible.
- 11. The Plainfield Road parking lot project will go out to bid in 2024. TEC is working on bid documents. The project will use CDBG dollars to re-align the parking lots for handicap access.
- 12. SORTA has confirmed Silverton's award for Section Avenue paving from Montgomery Road to Ohio. TEC is working on the drawing to bid the project for this year.
- 13. The speed signs are on Montgomery Road. Mr. Wilson stated they didn't seem to be working. Mr. Cameron explained they collect data for one week without displaying the speed on the sign. Once that data is collected, the speed will appear for motorists driving by the sign. Mr. Cameron noted the new lane configuration beginning at Town Hall heading west has allowed for parking along Montgomery Road and has naturally slowed down traffic in that area.
- 14. Mr. Cameron reported that TEC is researching the possibility of adding sidewalks to areas of Silverton that currently do not have them.
- 15. Special thanks to the University of Cincinnati students who were observing tonight's meeting!

LEGISLATION:

No legislation.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Quarry moved for adjournment and was seconded by Mrs. Thompson. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith L. George Clerk of Council

John A. Smith Mayor