**City of Silver Lake Regular Session Minutes**

**Monday, August 5, 2024**

The Governing Body of the City of Silver Lake met in regular session at City Hall on August 5, 2024, at 5:30 PM with Mayor Jonah Bishop conducting the meeting and the following Councilmembers present: Brad Bryant, Pasia Hutsell and Kenneth Wade (3) absent: Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, (2). Also present was City Attorney Todd Luckman, Police Chief Doug Ashcraft, Public Works Assistant Brad Kirk, City Clerk Marie Beam and Assistant Clerk Sarah Glenn.

The attention of all present was called to the proposed budget for the 2025 Budget Hearing. No members of the community wished to discuss the budget. A motion was made by Councilmember Wade to adopt the 2025 Budget. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hutsell, and with no further discussion the 2025 Budget was adopted. Councilmember Bryant made a motion to close the hearing. Councilmember Wade seconded the motion and the motion passed.

For Public Comment Lions Club Member Wayne Kellner was present to tell Council about the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus coming to town on Saturday, September 7, 2024. The public can contact Mr. Kellner for tickets: Adult tickets are $13, children $8, seniors $8 and children under 2 are free.

Clerk Beam spoke on behalf of the Senior Citizens who have requested handicap buttons be added to the doors at the Community Center. The Public Works Department will get quotes to present to Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2024 meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wade and carried.

The monthly financial report was presented by Councilmember Bryant.

Claim vouchers in the amount of $23,006.88 were submitted to Council for appropriation. A motion was made by Councilmember Wade and seconded by Councilmember Bryant that said Appropriation Ordinance be accepted as read and passed by a roll call vote of AYE: Brad Bryant, Pasia Hutsell and Kenneth Wade (3) NAY: (0). The Ordinance was declared passed and numbered 2612.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wade, seconded by Councilmember Hutsell to adopt Resolution 2024-06 that would waive the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) for the year 2024. This statute relates to the generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the preparation of financial statements and reports. The motion passed unanimously, and the resolution was adopted.

Councilmember Wade presented a bid to hire consulting company Steel in the Air to help Council decide how to proceed with the rental of the water tower for Verizon Antennas. After discussion Councilmember Hutsell made a motion to hire the company for $4500. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bryant and passed with all ayes.

Council reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan. Councilmember Wade made a motion to accept the plan as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hutsell and carried.

Councilmember Bryant made a motion to approve the application for a Cereal Malt Beverage License from the Priddy Parlor. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wade and carried with all ayes.

Councilmember Wade made a motion to approve the Annual Neptune Subscription, for the water meter reading platform, in the amount of $1177.89. Councilmember Bryant seconded the motion and the motion passed. Public Woks Assistant Kirk is going to get a bid for placing a meter reading antenna on the water tower to help with faster water leak detection.

Public Works Assistant Kirk presented the Public Works Report. Kirk updated Council on the progress made with the valve exercising program. Currently 8 valves need to be replaced. The Public Works Department and Mayor Bishop are working on a plan to replace the broken valves. The fire hydrant flushing program will be started next week. The new AC/heating unit has been installed at the City Shop and an AC unit has been installed in the well house. The Department has also completed a large number of water and sewer line locates for the installation of gas lines, internet cables and other projects.

Police Chief Ashcraft presented the Police Report. Chief Ashcraft and Officer Nelson will be assisting with the Tall Corn Festival in Rossville. They will also be assisting with the Back to School Bash on August 11th at the Methodist Church in Silver Lake, along with Mayor Bishop and Admin Assistant Shelbi Scarbrough. Ashcraft requested Mrs. Scarbrough be allowed to attend training in Des Moines, Iowa to continue her Car Seat Certification. He was directed by Council to send her to the training. Due to recent problems Chief Ashcraft advised the public to remove valuables from their vehicles, lock vehicles and be sure to close garage doors. He advised residents to call 911 regarding suspicious behavior. He advised Council that the Challenger is currently listed on Purple Wave Auctions and will sell on August 27th.

With no further business to come before Council, Councilmember Wade made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 PM. Councilmember Hutsell seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Marie Beam, City Clerk