**City of Silver Lake Regular Session Minutes**

**Monday, July 15, 2024**

The Governing Body of the City of Silver Lake met in regular session at City Hall on July 15, 2024, at 5:30 PM with Mayor Jonah Bishop conducting the meeting and the following Councilmembers present: Brad Bryant, Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton and Kenneth Wade (4) absent: (0). Also present was City Attorney Todd Luckman, Police Chief Doug Ashcraft, Public Works Superintendent Cary Deiter, City Clerk Marie Beam & Assistant Clerk Sarah Glenn.

During Public Comment Mayor Bishop spoke for Leslie Beer to request the use of the Community Center on September 14, 2024 at no cost for a free community shred event sponsored by Bob Schwarz Financial. Councilmember Bryant made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and passed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2024 meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fisher and carried.

Claim vouchers in the amount of $10,219.09 were submitted to Council for appropriation. A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant and seconded by Councilmember Fisher that said Appropriation Ordinance be accepted as read and passed by a roll call vote of AYE: Brad Bryant, Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton and Kenneth Wade (4) NAY: (0). The Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2611.

A motion was made by Councilmember Wade to amend the agenda to add two additional business items. The first item added was the appointment of a new Councilmember. The second item added was the appointment of the Street and Law Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and passed.

Mayor Bishop recommended the appointment of Pasia Hutsell to Council. Councilmember Fisher made the motion to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bryant and passed. Mrs. Hutsell joined Council at the table and took her Oath of Office.

Mayor Bishop appointed Councilmember Wade as the Law Commissioner and Councilmember Hutsell as the Street Commissioner. Councilmember Hamilton made a motion to accept the appointments, which was seconded by Councilmember Bryant and carried.

Council reviewed the 2025 Draft Budget and made the decision not to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate, which would have increased property taxes. The Budget Hearing it to be scheduled at the beginning of the August 5, 2024 Council meeting.

Councilmember Fisher made a motion to approve an application for a temporary Permit for a special event at 323 Railroad and Resolution 2024-05 regarding the event. Councilmember Wade seconded the motion which carried with all ayes.

Councilmember Wade gave an update on the Verizon Tower Rent Plan. He let Council know he is collecting bids from consultants to present at the next meeting. A consultant would provide support service and legal review of any contracts in regards to the placement of antennas on the City’s water towers.

Councilmember Fisher made a motion to accept a contract with Midland Care Meals on Wheels for the use of the Community Center for the purpose of providing meals under the Congregate Meal Program. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wade and passed.

Police Chief Ashcraft reported back to Council that Purple Wave does not allow reserves to be set. Councilmember Fisher made a motion to sell the Police Challenger on Purple Wave with no set reserve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and carried.

The possible addition of a speed bump to Lake Street at the edge of town close to the City Shop was discussed. Superintendent Deiter expressed concern about speeding vehicles and his worry about a child getting hit. Chief Ashcraft plans to increase patrols in the area. Council decided the best course of action is to try increased patrol, new signs and a speed bump as a last resort only.

Superintendent Deiter presented three bids to replace the deteriorating AC/Heating unit at City Hall. Councilmember Wade made a motion to purchase the unit not to exceed $3500. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fisher and carried.

Superintendent Deiter let Council know the Public Works Department is planning to burn the brush pile from the recent storm. They have completed painting the crosswalks in town. Future plans include exercising fire hydrants and attending training. Councilmember Wade requested the Department look into the sink hole developing behind City Hall and get some recommendations on how to fix the problem.

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

Marie Beam, City Clerk