**City of Silver Lake**

**Regular Session Minutes**

**Monday, April 15, 2024**

The Governing Body of the City of Silver Lake met in regular session at City Hall on Monday evening April 15, 2024, at 5:30 PM with Mayor Jonah Bishop conducting the meeting and the following Councilmembers present: Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, Larry Ross, and Kenneth Wade (4) Absent: Brad Byant (1). Also present was City Attorney Todd Luckman, Public Works Superintendent Cary Deiter, Police Officer Doug Ashcraft, City Clerk Liz Steckel, and Assistant Clerk Marie Beam.

Lions Club Member Wayne Kellner was present during public comment to request the use of property belonging to the City of Silver Lake on Lake Street for a circus to be held September 7, 2024. Councilmember Ross made a motion to allow the use. The Motion was seconded by Councilmember Wade and passed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ross to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2024 meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wade and carried.

Claim vouchers in the amount of $8,692.37 were submitted to the Council for appropriation. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Appropriating Money to Pay Certain Claims" was introduced. A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher and seconded by Councilmember Hamilton that said Ordinance be accepted as read and was then placed on final passage by a roll call vote: AYE: Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, Larry Ross, and Kenneth Wade. (4) NAY: None. With no further discussion the Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2602.

A drawing for free water, which was a prize for turning in the mandatory Lead and Copper Survey was held. Councilmember Wade assisted members of the public in drawing the winners. Water Account #346 was drawn for 1 year of water, valued at $618.00. Water Account #183 was drawn for 6 months of water, valued at $309.00. And finally, water Account #324 was drawn for 3 months of water, valued at $154.50. The City of Silver Lake would like to thank all the citizens that filled out the survey.

The City’s insurance policy was discussed. Mayor Bishop stated that the City’s policy will be reviewed early in 2025.

City Clerk Steckel informed Citizens about the progress with the Emergency Notification System. This system is not just for the public living inside City limits, it is available to anyone that would like to sign up for notifications. There will be three categories: Emergency Alerts, Community Events and General City Information. Citizens that requested alerts on the Lead and Copper survey were signed up for Emergency Notifications only. If they would like to opt in to other notifications, they can log in at <https://public.alertsense.com/SignUp/?RegionId=2160> with their phone number or email, or come to City Hall for help.

Public Works Superintendent Dieter discussed issues with the City’s current Grasshopper Mower, and presented bids to replace it. Councilmember Ross made a motion to trade in the Grasshopper Mower with a payment not to exceed $2199.00 for a Vanguard Mower form Heinen Repair Service. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Fisher and passed. Dieter also discussed the need to replace the air conditioner at the Silver Lake Community Center. Clerk Steckel advised Council that the cost could come out of Capital Improvement or, since the expenditure was approved for up to $4500 in 2023 that amount could be encumbered to the 2023 budget. Council agreed to the encumbrance. Public Works Superintendent Dieter presented a bid to repair a tripping hazard in the sidewalk at the intersection of Lake Street and Highway 24. Councilmember Wade made a motion to approve the expenditure not to exceed $1600.00. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and passed.

City Clerk Steckel requested to attend a Budget Update workshop on May 14, 2024 for $75.00. Councilmember Ross moved to approve with a second from Councilmember Hamilton. Motion was approved. Steckel also requested to attend a Planning Commission Webinar on May 2, 2024. Councilmember Wade made the motion and Councilmember Hamilton seconded. The Motion passed.

Councilmember Fisher directed Public Works Superintendent Dieter and Public Works Assistant Kirk to sign up for a training to be held at Gage Park on May 8th & 9th, 2024.

Councilmember Ross requested that a discussion on City Donations be added to the next agenda.

Councilmember Wade made a motion that the City Council (along with Mayor Bishop and City Attorney Luckman) recess into executive session, for 25 minutes, to discuss a non-elected personnel matter pursuant to the nonelected personnel exemption, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The open meeting will resume at City Hall at 6:30 PM. The motion was seconded and carried

The public meeting reconvened at 6:30 PM.

The next two meetings are scheduled for Monday, May 6, 2024 and Monday, May 20, 2024, at 5:30 PM.

With no further business to come before Council, Councilmember Fisher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 PM. Councilmember Ross seconded the motion, and with no further discussion, the meeting adjourned.

Marie Beam, Assistant City Clerk