

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

Monday, June 4, 2007

7:30 p.m.

The Village of Silver Lake Council met in a regular session on Monday, June 4, 2007, at Silver Lake Village Hall, 2961 Kent Road, Silver Lake, Ohio.

With President of Council, Mrs. Carol Steiner, presiding, the meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Steiner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Mr. Christopher Scott, Mr. Adrian Achtermann, Mrs. Carol Steiner, Mr. William Church, Mr. Don Alexander, Mr. Gerald Jones and Mrs. Karen Fuller.

Roll call of Council – 7 members present

Mrs. Steiner asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May 21, 2007, Council meeting.

There being no corrections, the minutes were approved as sent.

Mrs. Steiner asked Mrs. Teresa Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer, for the reading of any pending legislation that is up for a first reading.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 47-2007 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DON ALEXANDER AS A MEMBER OF SILVER LAKE VILLAGE COUNCIL REPRESENTING DISTRICT C, TO SERVE THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF DESPINA MULROONEY WHOSE TERM EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 2009, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Resolution No.: 47-2007 was assigned to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 48-2007 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING AN AGREEMENT WITH WICHERT INSURANCE SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF GENERAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY/INLAND MARINE, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY & PHYSICAL DAMAGE, PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIABILITY, POLICE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, ENHANCED EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES COVERAGE, AND UMBRELLA LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Resolution No.: 48-2007 was assigned to the Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 49-2007 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED, AND PLEDGING A 50% LOCAL SHARE IN CASH AND APPLYING FOR 50% FUNDING AS A 15-YEAR, 0% LOAN FOR THE**

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**EAST EDGERTON ROAD WATER TANK REHABILITATION PROJECT IN THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Resolution No.: 49-2007 was assigned to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 50-2007 A RESOLUTION TO MAKE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Resolution No.: 50-2007 was assigned to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 51-2007 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS. \$ 192,056.50**

Resolution No.: 51-2007 was assigned to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

**ORDINANCE NO.: 52-2007 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE TO PROVIDE MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE WITH CERTAIN SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES AND THE SUMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF FOR ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION INVESTIGATIONS AND TRAINING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Ordinance No.: 52-2007 was assigned to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

Mrs. Steiner asked for the reading of any pending legislation that is up for a second reading.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 45-2007 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING A VIDEO COMPETITION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE AND AT&T OHIO.**

Resolution No.: 45-2007 was previously assigned to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

Mrs. Steiner asked if there were any questions from the audience regarding pending legislation.

There being none, Mrs. Steiner continued with the agenda.

**Personnel and Public Affairs Committee – Mrs. Karen Fuller, Chairman**

Mrs. Fuller stated Resolution No.: 47-2007 was discussed in committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.



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Roll call on adoption:           Yes    7           No    0

Mr. Church stated Resolution No.: 50-2007 was discussed in committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mr. Church moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Resolution No.: 50-2007, seconded by Mr. Jones.

Roll call on suspension:       Yes    7           No    0

Motion to adopt by Mr. Church, seconded by Mr. Jones.

Roll call on adoption:       Yes    7           No    0

Mr. Church stated Resolution No.: 51-2007 was discussed in committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Church, seconded by Mr. Scott.

Roll call on adoption:       Yes    7           No    0

Mr. Church scheduled a meeting for Thursday, June 7, 2007 at 4 p.m. to discuss water rates.

**Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee – Mr. Gerald Jones, Chairman**

Mr. Jones stated Resolution No.: 48-2007 was discussed in committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mr. Jones moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Resolution No.: 48-2007, seconded by Mr. Church.

Roll call on suspension:       Yes    7           No    0

Solicitor Heydorn would like to amend Resolution No.: 48-2007 by removing “the authorization of the Mayor to enter into” from the title. Also, in Section 1, remove “authorization for the Mayor to enter into” from the first line.

Mr. Jones moved to approve the changes made to Resolution No.: 48-2007, seconded by Mr. Church.

Roll call on amendments:    Yes    7           No    0

Motion to adopt as amended by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Scott.

Roll call on adoption:       Yes    7           No    0

Mr. Achtermann stated the Garden Club did a great job on Community Day. Mr. Achtermann expressed his appreciation for their hard work; as well as everyone else involved in Community Day. There was a speaker from Petitti’s Garden; Mr. Theiss launched rockets – a prelude to Rocket Camp in July, the Silver Lake Police Association had a booth; the fire truck from the City of Stow, and other groups in the community.

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**REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**Mayor Hovey** commented Community Day had a lot of interesting programs; including the rocket launch and the speaker from Petitti's Garden. The Garden Club appreciated the proclamation that was signed by Council. A symbolic check was given to the Village to represent the monies donated for the refurbishing of the main island. Mayor thanked the Service Department for helping with the set-up and removal of the items needed at the event.

The first Saturday trash pick-up had a few problems. Some residents were not aware service would be delayed one day because of the holiday and set their trash out on Friday.

Mr. Church stated the main problem is the recyclables. J&J was still in the Village on Sunday and Monday picking them up.

Mayor stated J&J needs to remove trash on the day that is specified. He is going to contact J&J to resolve these issues.

Mayor received a letter from Miss Laura Via, a seventh grade resident. The letter stated she would like Council and the Mayor to consider providing playground equipment at Willow Park. She also requested new equipment for the playground by the baseball field. Mayor is going to give the request to the Park and Recreation Board.

Mayor stated there was an audit meeting and the overall audit was pretty clear and the outcome was good.

Mr. Church expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Spohn for doing such a good job.

Mayor received a letter from Mr. Andrew Applebee thanking Silver Lake for collecting old flags.

Mayor complimented Mrs. Spohn on the work she does for the Village. She is very vigilant.

Mayor spoke with Chief DeMoss about the possibility of trading in the Yukon for a more fuel efficient car. This would probably be an even trade. He wanted to inform Council so they were aware before it possibly came before them for approval in the future.

**Lieutenant Carl Harrison** stated a copy of the annual report was given to everyone.

**Mr. Fenwick, Service Director**, reported the valve for Chautauqua Drive has been ordered. This will not prevent the flooding; the valve will allow the Service Department to pump the water out of the street so the residents have access to their homes.

Mr. Fenwick informed Council they will see legislation for street resurfacing at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Fenwick reported there was a water break on Mother's Day, May 13, 2007.

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**Mrs. Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer**, gave Council two handouts. (Attached to the original minutes.)

Mrs. Spohn discussed the revenue and expenditures for the Water Fund handout. The Village is currently at a negative \$37,000 so far for this year. There is a \$45,000 transfer from the General Fund budgeted for this year because a short fall in the Water Fund was expected.

Some of the different options are:

- ❖ Continuing with the transfer, set rates for 2008, and move forward in the 2008 budget.
- ❖ Reallocate salaries from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund.
- ❖ For this year, redirect how salaries are being charged in the Water, Sewer, and General Funds.

Mrs. Spohn then discussed the second handout: Water Rate Calculation. She stated she believes the Village will need a total of \$75,000. \$45,000 is needed for 2007 and \$30,000 to restore to set money aside.

The options are:

- For each \$10,000 needed, rates need to be increased 11 cents.
- OR For each \$10,000 needed, increase fixed rates 80 cents per month.
- OR For each \$10,000 needed, increase unit rates by 6 cents and fixed rates 40 cents/month. 50/50 split.
- OR Any other combination.

The suggestion is that for \$75,000, an increase of 25 cents per unit (\$23,607) with an increase in fixed charge of \$4.80 per month (\$61,393). This is increasing the overall rate for the average family that uses 8 units by 15 percent. This does not include any water rate increase that might be pending with the City of Cuyahoga Falls.

**Mr. Heydorn, Village Solicitor**, had no report.

Mr. Church stated his daughter and her husband are considering moving to the Village or to the City Hudson. During the conversation the history of Silver Lake was discussed. It was brought to his attention that a few residents of the Village have a fairly large collection of historical artifacts. Mr. Church suggested there be a Silver Lake Historical Museum and the Village could ask residents to donate or allow the use of their items.

Mr. Jones asked the outcome of the meeting held regarding the property at 2970 Vincent Road.

Mayor has not heard the results of the meeting yet.

Mr. Jones would like the Police Department to check a vehicle at 2948 Vincent Road to see if the license is valid.

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Mr. Jones asked if the grass at the house on Silver Lake Boulevard is going to be mowed.

Mayor stated it was supposed to be mowed today, and if it was not taken care of then the Village will mow it tomorrow. It will then be certified against the taxes.

Mayor would like to hire a lawn service to mow the grass of the homes that are not being taken care of. The Village would pay the lawn service and then certify it against the taxes. This will be less expensive because the Village is currently charging around \$200 to mow.

Mrs. Steiner read a letter from Mr. John Lepkowski, an applicant for the open Council position. He thanked those who met with him. He also stated he believes the elector is being well served by their representatives. Mr. Lepkowski extended a special thank you to Mrs. Spohn.

Mr. Athermann informed Council that Ms. Cathy Schultz was also in attendance at Community Day.

Mrs. Steiner asked if there were any questions or comments from anyone in the audience.

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 8:19 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled Council meeting on Monday, June 18, 2007, at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Carol A. Steiner, President of Council

ATTEST:

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Teresa M. Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer