

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

Monday, March 3, 2008

7:30 p.m.

The Village of Silver Lake Council met in a regular session on Monday, March 3, 2008, 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. Adrian Achtermann, Mr. Christopher Scott, Mrs. Karen Fuller, Mrs. Carol Steiner, Mr. Richard Hite, Mr. Don Alexander, and Mr. Gerald Jones.

Roll call of Council – 7 members present

Mrs. Steiner asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the February 19, 2008, Council meeting.

There being none, the minutes were approved as sent out.

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

RESOLUTION NO.: 25-2008 A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO AMERICAN SUNCRAFT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE EAST EDGERTON ROAD WATER TANK REHABILITATION PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Steiner assigned Resolution No.: 25-2008 to the Public Improvements Committee.

RESOLUTION NO.: 26-2008 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS. \$ 81,811.28

Mrs. Steiner assigned Resolution No.: 26-2008 to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

Ordinance No.: 5-2008 and Ordinance No.: 11-2008 are still in committee.

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

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

Council recessed at 7:32 p.m. to continue the Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee Meeting.

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Mr. Jones led discussion on the draft resolution on Council Rules (copy attached to original minutes).

All Council members then discussed the proposed changes to the Council Rules. The time of the regular Council meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, and Approval of the Minutes, Council will then recess into Committees/Committee of the Whole Meeting(s). Mr. Jones stated this format will save time between the ending of one meeting and the beginning of the next meeting and will move things along more efficiently.

Mr. Heydorn suggested in lieu of a "Committee of the Whole," Council might consider the following order of business:

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) Roll Call.
- 3) Approval of Minutes.
- 4) Reading of Ordinances & Resolutions.
- 5) Swearing in Ceremonies.
- 6) Reading of petitions, claims and communications; Comments from Audience.
- 7) Public Hearings.
- 8) Committee Hearings.
- 9) Standing Committee Reports.
- 10) Reports of Special Council Committees.
- 11) Mayor's Report
- 12) Reports of Village Officials
- 13) Comments from the Audience
- 14) Miscellaneous Business
- 15) Adjournment

Next, there was a twenty minute discussion on audience participation allowing questions from residents and limiting each person's time for comment(s). It was mentioned that Council came under fire late last year when a resident basically interrogated them at a meeting on a decision Council members had made regarding a project that took years to discuss. Some Council persons were in favor of allowing questions from residents. There was a general consensus that comments be limited to 3 minutes for each person speaking, especially if there is a large number of people present at the meeting.

There being no resolution to the matter, Mrs. Steiner asked the Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee to schedule a meeting to further discuss the DRAFT resolution on Council Rules and make a recommendation to Council.

The Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee adjourned at 8:15 p.m. and the Council meeting resumed.

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Finance and Appropriations Committee – Mrs. Karen Fuller, Chairman

Mrs. Fuller stated Resolution No.: 26-2008 was discussed in committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mrs. Fuller made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Scott.

Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

Personnel and Public Affairs Committee – Mr. Adrian Achtermann, Chairman

Mr. Achtermann stated Ordinance No.: 5-2008 and 11-2008 are still in Committee.

A Personnel and Public Affairs Committee meeting has been scheduled for Monday, March 24, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss these Ordinances.

Public Improvements Committee – Mr. Jerry Jones, Chairman

Mr. Jones stated Resolution No.: 25-2008 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.: 25-2008, seconded by Mrs. Fuller.

Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0

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

Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

Mrs. Fuller stated AMATS asked for all of Council’s support on the metro issue at the upcoming election.

Mr. Hite reported the Silver Lake Board of Trustees has not met this year.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES:

Mayor Hovey reported he attended a meeting this evening with Mr. Heydorn and Mrs. Lipan at the City of Cuyahoga Falls regarding the building inspections for Silver Lake.

The City of Cuyahoga Falls will be handling our building inspections beginning Tuesday, March 18th. Our current contract with the City of Stow is ending on Saturday, March 15th, so residents might have to wait a day if they try to do something on Monday, March 17th. The fees will be the current Cuyahoga Falls rate plus a 20 percent surcharge.

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Chief Snyder from Cuyahoga Falls needs to know Council's decision on the Smoke Alarm Program that was suggested to Council. Mayor said Council would discuss it and get back with him.

Mayor stated AAA Pipe Cleaning has agreed to have money withheld from their retainage in order to pay for engineering services until the project is completed. This is being done so it will not cost the Village any more money due to AAA Pipe Cleaning's delay in finishing the project. It is estimated the cost to AAA Pipe Cleaning will be \$9,000 per month.

Mrs. Katrina Honkala has resigned from the Park and Recreation Board for personal reasons, so there is now a vacancy. An article will be placed in the Falls News Press and applications will be taken until the end of March.

Mrs. Steiner stated Mrs. Polly Bloom had expressed interest in the past to becoming a member of the Park and Recreation Board.

Mrs. Steiner stated the Smoke Alarm Program discussion is assigned to the Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee.

The Vietnam Memorial is assigned to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

Chief DeMoss read a letter he received from Chief John Conley, Cuyahoga Falls Police Department, regarding their offer of mutual aid (A copy is attached to the original minutes).

Chief DeMoss distributed a brochure for the countywide "Take Me Home Program." (A copy is attached to the original minutes).

Severe Weather Awareness Week is March 23 – 29, 2008. The statewide drill will be held on Wednesday, March 26, 2008, at 9:50 a.m.

The Summit County EMA is offering a Skywarn Tornado Spotter Training Course on Thursday, March 20, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the American Red Cross, 501 W. Market Street in Akron for anyone who is interested.

Kiko Auctions will be holding an auction at 3111 Silver Lake Boulevard on Saturday, March 8, 2008 at 12:15 p.m.

Mr. Fenwick, Service Director, reported the road caved in at the intersection of Kent Road and Thomas Drive last Saturday. Kenmore Construction came in for an emergency repair.

There was also a water break on Randolph Road at 3 a.m. that same day, which the Service Department employees repaired. Then there was another water break at 8 a.m. on Thursday morning on Fulmer Drive.

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Mr. Fenwick keeps a record of all water breaks so the holes can be patched in the summer. There have been approximately 115 water breaks since 2001.

There has been a lot of salt usage and overtime due to the recent weather. Equipment has been needing repairs because of the wear and tear.

AAA Pipe Cleaning is moving along at a slow pace. Mr. Fenwick suggested that they be responsible for all engineering inspection fees until completion of the project. A two month change order was issued and they will be charged \$9,000 per month that the Village will keep from AAA Pipe Cleaning to pay CTI Engineers for inspection fees.

Mrs. Teresa Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer, had no report.

Mr. Heydorn, Village Solicitor, had no report.

Mr. Achtermann commended Chief DeMoss for his help in obtaining a quick response from the Hilliard Police Department to his daughter's home.

Mr. Jones stated he will not be attending the next Council meeting.

Mrs. Steiner asked if there were any further questions or comments.

There being none, Council adjourned at 8:43 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled Council meeting on Monday, March 17, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

Carol Steiner, President of Council

ATTEST:

Teresa M. Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer