

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

Monday, December 1, 2008

7:00 p.m.

The Village of Silver Lake Council met in a regular session on Monday, December 1, 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 7:00 p.m.

Mrs. Steiner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Mrs. Janie Geis, Mr. Christopher Scott, Mrs. Karen Fuller, Mrs. Carol Steiner, Mr. Richard Hite, Mr. James Richardson, and Mr. Gerald Jones.

Roll call of Council - 7 members present 0 members absent

Mrs. Steiner asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the November 17, 2008, Council meeting.

There being none, 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.: 113-2008 A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE AUTHORIZING TERESA M. SPOHN, TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS AND IN ALL WAYS ACT AS AUTHORIZED AGENT RELATIVE TO THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR FEMA-DR-1805-OH, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Steiner assigned Resolution No.: 113-2008 to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

RESOLUTION NO.: 114-2008 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS. \$ 259,992.61

Mrs. Steiner assigned Resolution No.: 114-2008 to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

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

ORDINANCE NO.: 105-2008 AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, COUNTY OF SUMMIT, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2009, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No.: 105-2008 was previously assigned to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

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RESOLUTION NO: 107-2008 A RESOLUTION DECLARING A REAL AND PRESENT EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPAIR, IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE, OF GRINDER PUMPS AT 3079 SILVER LAKE BOULEVARD, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Resolution No.: 107-2008 was previously assigned to the Public Improvements Committee.

Mayor Hovey then administered the Oath of Office to Mr. David Barstow as a member of the Park and Recreation Board.

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

There being none, Mrs. Steiner called upon Mrs. Karen Fuller, Personnel and Public Affairs Committee, to lead discussion on items on the agenda pertinent to her committee.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Fuller asked Mrs. Spohn to explain Resolution No.: 113-2008.

Mrs. Spohn stated in order for the Village to receive money from FEMA, legislation needs to be adopted that authorizes a person to sign all the documents. FEMA encourages the Village to authorize a person who will be involved in reviewing and composing the documents.

Mrs. Spohn stated she has been signing the documents all along, this legislation is to formalize it.

FEMA needs the documents by December 13, 2008, because they are now offering a program that will pay for regular time for the service workers from cleaning up after the storm.

Mrs. Fuller asked if FEMA-DR-1805-OH is specific to the storm in September.

Mrs. Spohn replied yes.

Mrs. Fuller asked if there were any further questions. There being none, Mrs. Fuller stated the Committee will recommend the adoption of Resolution No.: 113-2008 this evening.

Mrs. Steiner called upon Mr. Christopher Scott, Finance and Appropriations Committee, to lead discussion on items on the agenda pertinent to his committee.

FINANCE AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 114-2008 is for Payment of Claims in the amount of \$259,992.61.

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The following items were reviewed:

- JCSI - A card reader for the Police Department.
- Miracle Awards - Plaques for the SWAT team.
- Ohio Treasury - Debt service payments.
- Akron Truck Tire - Six tires for the dump truck.

There being no further questions, Mr. Scott stated the Committee will recommend the adoption of Resolution No.: 114-2008 this evening.

Mr. Scott stated Ordinance No.: 105-2008 will be treated as a second reading.

Mrs. Steiner called upon Mr. Gerald Jones, Public Improvements Committee, to lead discussion on items on the agenda pertinent to his committee.

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

Mr. Jones asked Mr. Fenwick to lead discussion on Resolution No.: 107-2008.

Mr. Fenwick stated he spoke with Mayor Hovey and Mr. Heydorn regarding this matter. The house at 3079 Silver Lake Boulevard was built in 1962 on top of a sewer line that was installed between 1920 and 1930. The sewer line went bad in 1986 and the Village let out a contract to install two grinder pumps because the houses on that end of the Boulevard were too low to hook up to the sewers in front of them. The Village did competitive bidding and the Village paid to install the grinder pumps.

Mr. Fenwick stated the grinder pumps are a maintenance nightmare. There are two pumps at each grinder station. If one fails to operate, then the other one kicks in. The first pump went bad and then the other pump went bad. When Mr. Fenwick called for a repair, the quote was \$2,000 for each pump. When the repairman got in there, everything was steel and had rotted, so the whole thing had to be redone.

The other grinder pump will be going bad next. Mr. Fenwick has it scheduled to be replaced in three years, which has been in the long range plans.

Mr. Fenwick stated he asked Mr. Heydorn if the homeowner could take responsibility once the next one goes bad.

Mr. Heydorn elaborated that the grinder pumps were installed to supplement the sewer system that failed, which was a public sewer. Instead of fixing the public sewer, they installed 2 grinder pumps. In effect, this is all part of the Village's sewer system and is our responsibility. The Village can't take a part of the sewer system and say that they don't want to maintain it anymore.

Mrs. Fuller asked if these residents pay a portion for sewer on their water bill.

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Mr. Fenwick replied yes they do.

Mr. Scott asked how much it would cost to replace the other pump.

Mr. Fenwick stated it will cost \$11,458.30, which is the same as the one just replaced.

Mr. Hite asked if we should just go ahead and replace the other one now.

Mr. Fenwick stated that is Council's choice.

Mrs. Fuller asked how you can tell if the grinder pump tank is bad.

Mr. Fenwick stated you wouldn't know until you could see evidence of leakage.

Mr. Jones asked how we knew this one was bad.

Mr. Fenwick stated there is a light that turned red and we knew something was wrong.

Mr. Jones stated he is okay with paying for the grinder pump repairs.

Mrs. Fuller asked if there was any way the Village could charge a portion to the homeowner. It seems like the homeowner should be able to pick up a portion of this repair.

Mr. Jones said based on what Mr. Heydorn just stated, there is no way.

Mr. Heydorn stated if anything was to be done, it should have been an assessment before the grinder pumps were installed in 1986.

Mr. Jones asked if the Village can assess for future repairs.

Mr. Heydorn stated not if you are replacing the existing grinder pumps.

There being no further questions, Mr. Jones stated the Committee will recommend the adoption of Resolution No.: 107-2008 this evening.

Mrs. Steiner continued with the agenda.

Personnel and Public Affairs Committee - Mrs. Karen Fuller, Chairman

Mrs. Fuller stated Resolution No.: 113-2008 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mrs. Fuller moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Resolution No.: 113-2008, seconded by Mr. Scott.

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Roll call on suspension:	Yes	7	No	0
Motion to adopt by Mrs. Fuller, seconded by Mrs. Geis.				
Roll call on adoption:	Yes	7	No	0

Finance and Appropriations Committee - Mr. Christopher Scott, Chairman

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 114-2008 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Fuller.				
Roll call on adoption:	Yes	7	No	0

Mr. Scott stated Ordinance No.: 105-2008 will be treated as a second reading.

Mr. Scott moved to approve the Statement of Cash Position, seconded by Mrs. Fuller and all of Council agreed.

Public Improvements Committee - Mr. Gerald Jones, Chairman

Mr. Jones stated Resolution No.: 107-2008 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.: 107-2008, seconded by Mr. Scott.				
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

SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Mrs. Fuller reported she received a congestion map from AMATS. A copy will be available at Village Hall.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Mayor Hovey encouraged everyone to attend the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, December 7th at 4:30 p.m. Donuts and cider will be served at the Boathouse.

The Summit County Charter Review Commission is inviting comments, questions, suggestions and opinions from interested persons regarding a current version of the County Charter. All inquiries must be submitted in writing by January 9, 2009. The Summit County Charter Review Commission meets at 4:15 p.m. at the Ohio Building on December 2, 2008, and January 13, 2009. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Mayor Hovey distributed and reviewed the Village of Silver Lake Storm Policy. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

Mayor asked Council to reconsider a contingency line in the budget for the Storm Policy expenses.

Mayor distributed the Snow Removal Program Policy. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

Mayor has received several calls over the past few weeks regarding the Village providing snowplowing services for the elderly and disabled during snow storms. There are residents in the community that cannot get out of their driveway if they need to go pick up medication, etc.

Mayor has reconsidered providing services for Village residents and will start the new Snow Removal Program beginning December 15, 2008.

Village residents do not need proof of income, but the Village reserves the right to verify all information provided in the application.

Legislation will be presented at the next Council meeting to allow the Mayor to spend \$5,000 for the Snow Removal Program.

Mayor has contacted Baker's Towing, the contractor for the Village when we previously provided snow plowing services. Baker's Towing will charge the Village \$12 per push and they will only go out to plow after it has stopped snowing.

Mr. Hite stated he thinks this is a wonderful idea and would like to be able to offer it to all Village residents who are willing to pay for this service.

Mayor stated he would mention it to Mr. Baker.

Mrs. Geis suggested the Village office provide a list of recommended local snow plowing for residents who call into the office.

Mrs. Spohn stated the Village cannot recommend contractors because of liability issues, but we can tell residents what contractors the Village uses.

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

Chief Gary DeMoss reported the citation situation is resolved. The Police Department received a quote for \$50 lower than any other company. A minimum of 2,500 citations were ordered for \$784 and will last for approximately three years.

Mr. Richard Fenwick, Service Director, reported leaf clean-up will continue until Wednesday, December 3, 2008.

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The contractors for the waterline project on Graham Road lost a week due to weather. They are about 100 feet from Englewood Drive and the project should be completed in two weeks.

Mr. Fenwick and Mrs. Spohn turned in approximately \$15,000 worth of bills to FEMA. The Village should receive \$12,000 if everything is approved.

Mr. Fenwick handed out the list of capital projects the Village has done in the last twenty years. A copy is attached to the original minutes.

Mrs. Teresa Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer, stated the next Council meeting is the last meeting of the year. Everything for year-end will be wrapped up by then and will be presented at that meeting.

There is already an A01-6B account for snow removal. Mrs. Spohn would like to create legislation to move money into this account so we can track how much money is spent on snow removal.

Mr. Scott stated this would be fine.

There being no further comments, Council adjourned at 8:05 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled Council meeting on Monday, December 15, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED:

Carol Steiner, President of Council

ATTEST:

Teresa M. Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer
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