

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

**Monday, January 3, 2012 8:00 p.m.**

The Village of Silver Lake Council met in an organizational meeting on Monday, January 3, 2012, at Silver Lake Village Hall, 2961 Kent Road, Silver Lake, Ohio.

With Mayor Bernie Hovey, presiding, the meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Hovey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Hovey administered the oath of office to Mr. Jerry Jones and Mr. Richard Hite as re-elected members of Council.

Mayor Hovey asked the newly elected Council member, Mrs. Gina Alexander, to introduce her family prior to being sworn in.

Mayor Hovey administered the oath of office to Mrs. Gina Alexander.

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Mrs. Janie Geis, Mr. Christopher Scott, Mrs. Gina Alexander, Mr. Jerry Jones, Mr. Rich Hite, Mrs. Carol Steiner and Mr. Gerald Budrevich.

Roll call of Council - 7 members present

Mayor Hovey asked for nominations for the office of Council President.

Mr. Hite nominated Mr. Jones for President of Council, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Hovey asked for a roll call vote of Council members.

Yes 7                      No 0

Council members affirmed the nomination of Mr. Jones for President of Council.

With Mr. Jones now presiding, nominations for Vice-President of Council were taken.

Mr. Scott nominated Mrs. Steiner for Vice-President of Council, seconded by Mr. Hite.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Jones asked for a roll call vote of Council members.

Yes 7                      No 0

Council members affirmed the nomination of Mrs. Steiner for Vice-President of Council.

Mr. Jones appointed a Committee on Committees and Seating consisting of himself, Mrs. Steiner and Mr. Scott.

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Mr. Jones recessed the Council meeting at 8:06 p.m. for the Committee to meet.

Mr. Jones reconvened the Council meeting 8:16 p.m.

Mr. Jones stated Council members will remain in the existing seating arrangement. Mrs. Alexander will sit in the seat that was previously occupied by Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones will sit in the seat that was previously occupied by Mrs. Fuller.

The 2012 Council Committees will be as follows:

Finance and Appropriations Committee:

Mr. Scott Chairman	Mr. Hite Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Alexander
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Public Improvements Committee:

Mr. Budrevich Chairman	Mrs. Steiner Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Geis
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Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee:

Mr. Hite Chairman	Mrs. Geis Vice-Chairman	Mr. Budrevich
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Personnel and Public Affairs Committee:

Mrs. Steiner Chairman	Mr. Scott Vice-Chairman	Mrs. Alexander
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Mr. Jones stated Mrs. Geis will remain the liaison to the Park & Recreation Board and Mr. Hite will remain the liaison for the Silver Lake Board of Trustees.

Mr. Jones asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 5, 2011, Council meeting.

There being none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

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There being none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

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

**ORDINANCE NO.: 1-2012 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 303.08(b) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, OHIO, TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE FEE, PAYABLE TO THE VILLAGE, FOR THE REMOVAL TO STORAGE OF UNATTENDED PARKED VEHICLES WHICH ARE A HAZARD OR OBSTRUCTION, AND ABANDONED JUNK VEHICLES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Jones assigned Ordinance No.: 1-2012 to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 2-2012 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CARGILL, INC., SALT DIVISION, FOR THE PURCHASE OF BULK ROCK SALT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COMMUNITY UNIVERSITY EDUCATION (CUE) PURCHASING ASSOCIATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 2-2012 to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 3-2012 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$15,000.00) FROM THE GENERAL FUND (A01) TO THE ACCRUED BENEFITS PAYMENTS FUND (B11), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 3-2012 to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 4-2012 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYORAL APPOINTMENT OF SHARON MYERS TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF BONNIE WOJNO AS A MEMBER OF THE CITIZENS HOUSING COMMITTEE REPRESENTING DISTRICT B OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE FOR THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 4-2012 to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 5-2012 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYORAL APPOINTMENT OF GEORGE FRETZ TO FILL A VACANCY IN AN UNEXPIRED ELECTED TERM ON THE PARK BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE FOR THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 5-2012 to the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee.

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**RESOLUTION NO.: 6-2012 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS. \$183,755.21**

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 6-2012 to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Jones asked if there were any comments or questions from the audience.

There being none, Mr. Jones called upon Mrs. Carol Steiner, Chairman of the Personnel and Public Affairs Committee, to lead discussion on the items on the agenda pertinent to her committee.

**PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Steiner stated Ordinance No.: 1-2012 amends Section 303.08(b) of the codified ordinances to provide for an additional administrative fee for the removal to storage of unattended parked vehicles which are a hazard or an obstruction, and abandoned junk vehicles.

Chief Conley said this helps the Village recoup some of the costs incurred when we have to tow a vehicle.

It is important to understand, it is only for police impounded tows, such as a criminal arrest or a DUI. It would not affect someone who broke down and got their own tow, or someone who was involved in an automobile accident.

Mrs. Steiner said the owner of a towed vehicle is already paying for towing and storage charges and fines.

Mrs. Steiner asked Chief Conley how many vehicles were towed in the Village last year.

Chief Conley said roughly 30 to 45 vehicles.

Mr. Heydorn said the circumstances under which a vehicle can be impounded are not really governed by this. Those circumstances are already laid out in the statutes. This is just applying an administrative fee for the times we are required by law to impound a vehicle.

There being no further questions, Mrs. Steiner stated Ordinance No.: 1-2012 will be brought out for adoption this evening.

Mrs. Steiner stated Resolution No.: 4-2012 confirms the Mayoral appointment of Mrs. Sharon Myers to fill the unexpired term of Bonnie Wojno as a member of the Citizens Housing Committee.

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Mayor Hovey stated Mrs. Myers is a very concerned citizen and will do very well as a member of the Citizens Housing Committee.

There being no further questions, Mrs. Steiner stated Resolution No.: 2-2012 will be brought out for adoption this evening.

Mrs. Steiner stated Resolution No.: 5-2012 confirms the Mayoral appointment of Mr. George Fretz to fill a vacancy in an unexpired elected term on the Park Board.

Mayor Hovey stated Mr. Fretz is currently serving on the Park Board. There was a miscommunication in the election procedure last year. Mr. Fretz should have run for this seat but did not. He will be appointed to this seat and then have to run for election in November.

There being no further questions, Mrs. Steiner stated Resolution No.: 5-2012 will be brought out for adoption this evening.

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

**FINANCE AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 2-2012 authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Cargill, Inc. Salt Division for the purchase of bulk rock salt.

Mr. Scott said this is one of our routine ordinances that we pass each year.

Mrs. Spohn said salt prices went down \$1.67 per ton.

There being no further questions, Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 2-2012 will be brought out for adoption this evening.

Mr. Scott had a question for Mrs. Spohn on Resolution No.: 3-2012. The amounts are different on the resolution and in the caption that was read earlier.

Mrs. Spohn said it is supposed to be \$15,000.

Mrs. Spohn stated she must have printed last year's resolution by mistake.

There being no further questions, Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 3-2012 will be postponed indefinitely and a new resolution will be created.

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 6-2011 is for the payment of claims in the amount of \$183,755.21.

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There being no questions, Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 6-2012 will be brought out for adoption this evening.

Mr. Jones continued with the agenda.

**Personnel and Public Affairs Committee – Mrs. Carol Steiner, Chairman**

Mrs. Steiner stated Ordinance No.: 1-2012 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mrs. Steiner moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Ordinance No.: 1-2012, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0

Motion to adopt by Mrs. Steiner, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

Mrs. Steiner stated Resolution No.: 4-2012 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mrs. Steiner moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Resolution No.: 4-2012, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0

Motion to adopt by Mrs. Steiner, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

Mrs. Steiner stated Resolution No.: 5-2012 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mrs. Steiner moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Resolution No.: 5-2012, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0

Motion to adopt by Mrs. Steiner, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

**Finance and Appropriations Committee – Mr. Christopher Scott, Chairman**

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 2-2012 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Mr. Scott moved to suspend the rule that legislation be read at three meetings for Resolution No.: 2-2012, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0

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

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Roll call on adoption:            Yes    7            No    0

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 6-2012 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

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

Roll call on adoption:            Yes    7            No    0

Mr. Scott stated Resolution No.: 3-2012 was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and will be postponed indefinitely.

Motion to postpone indefinitely Resolution No.: 3-2012, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Roll call on the postponement: Yes    7            No    0

Mr. Scott stated Council is in receipt of the Statement of Cash Position as of December 31, 2011, and asked Mrs. Spohn if there were any comments or concerns.

Mrs. Spohn stated our General Fund unencumbered balance is approximately \$70,000 more than what we began with last year.

There is money in the water fund to do water capital improvements. There is also money in the sewer fund to do sewer capital improvements.

We collected \$495,000 in inheritance taxes in 2011.

Mr. Scott moved to adopt the Statement of Cash Position as of December 31, 2011, seconded by Mr. Budrevich.

Mr. Jones asked all in favor of approving the Statement of Cash Position to signify their approval by saying aye.

All Council members signified their approval by saying aye.

Mr. Jones stated since Cuyahoga Falls has increased their water rates by 15 percent, Council will need to look at this issue to see how this impacts the Village's water rates.

**REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**Mayor Hovey** had no report but did wish everyone a Happy New Year.

**Mr. Robert Heydorn, Village Solicitor**, stated the DeMoss vs. the Village of Silver Lake case is scheduled for pretrial on February 3, 2012. We should have a better idea at that point in time of exactly how much time is going to be involved defending this lawsuit.

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**Chief Conley** had no report.

**Mr. Richard Fenwick, Service Director**, stated he will have the Capital Plan ready for Council at the next meeting.

The engineering is done for the telemetry controls for the pump house. The engineer's estimate is \$41,000.

Mr. Budrevich asked Mr. Fenwick if he is Vactor shopping.

Mr. Fenwick said he is looking into that.

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

Mr. Jones stated we have a boy scout in attendance this evening.

Mr. Zach Bloom stood and introduced himself to Council.

Mr. Jones welcomed Mrs. Gina Alexander to Council.

There being no further questions or comments, Council adjourned at 8:40 p.m. until the next scheduled Council meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Mr. Jerry Jones, President of Council

ATTEST:

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Teresa M. Spohn, Clerk-Treasurer