

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

Tuesday, February 16, 2016

7:00 p.m.

The Village of Silver Lake Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, February 16, 2016, at Silver Lake Village Hall, 2961 Kent Road, Silver Lake, Ohio.

With President of Council Mr. Gerald Jones presiding, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Mrs. Karen Fuller, Mr. Christopher Scott, Mrs. Betsy Meyer, Mr. Gerald Jones, Mr. William Church, Mrs. Carol Steiner, Mr. Matthew Plesich

Roll call of Council - 7 members present

Mr. Jones asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the January 19, 2016, (amended) and February 1, 2016, Council meetings.

There being no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Mr. Jones asked Mr. Sean Housley, Clerk-Treasurer, for the reading of any pending legislation that is up for first reading.

RESOLUTION NO.: 07-2016 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CLAIMS TOTALING \$85,319.04.

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 07-2016 to the Finance and Appropriations Committee.

RESOLUTION NO.: 08-2016 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO ENVIROSCIENCE, INC. FOR A WET WEATHER STUDY OF WATERS FLOWING TO SILVER LAKE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 08-2016 to the Finance & Appropriations Committee.

ORDINANCE NO.: 09-2016 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Jones assigned Ordinance No.: 09-205 to the Finance & Appropriations Committee.

RESOLUTION NO.: 10-2016 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING FOR THE RECORD THE AUTHORIZATION OF COUNCIL TO DESIGNATE THE CLERK-TREASURER, ON BEHALF OF ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE, TO

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ATTEND CERTIFIED TRAINING ON PUBLIC RECORDS LAW AS REQUIRED BY HOUSE BILL 9.

Mr. Jones assigned Resolution No.: 10-2016 to the Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee.

Second Reading: None

Third reading: None

Comments from the audience: None

PLANNING, ZONING AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE – MR. WILLIAM CHURCH

RESOLUTION NO.: 10-206

Mr. Church said this is something we approve every year.

Mr. Housley said the meeting is conducted by the Auditor of State and it is held within 45 minutes of here.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Church said this Resolution would be brought out for adoption this evening.

FINANCE AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE – MR. CHRISTOPHER SCOTT

RESOLUTION NO.: 07-2016

Mr. Scott asked if there were any questions on any of these payments.

Mrs. Meyer questioned the payment for anti-virus software and training.

Mr. Housley said we purchased our anti-virus software from Software Solutions, Inc. and they also billed for training for our new bookkeeper. We paid \$250.00 for training and the remaining costs were software, combined on one payment.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Scott said this Resolution would be brought out for adoption this evening.

RESOLUTION NO.: 08-2016

Mr. Scott asked Mr. Housley to comment.

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Mr. Housley said several weeks ago we received this bill. A review of billings by EnviroScience shows no payment for the July bill, which must have been lost in the mail. We previously had spent \$17,743.18, and this bill brings our total expenditures to \$25,437.60. The contract was approved for \$57,671.59. The project came in \$32,233 under budget.

Mrs. Meyer asked if Silver Lake Estates paid for any of this.

Mr. Housley and Mr. Church said this was paid by the Village and the Silver Lake Trustees have been doing their own studies.

Mrs. Meyer also asked if this would help with the river. Mr. Scott said this was to study the nutrients entering the lake causing the algae blooms. Mrs. Steiner added we did the study to allow us to apply for a grant.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Scott said this Resolution would be brought out for adoption this evening.

ORDINANCE NO.: 09-2016

Mr. Scott said the appropriation change was being made for the EnviroScience bill and investment fees for Meeder Investments. Mr. Scott said we currently collect about \$40,000 in annual investment income, whereas, prior to using Meeder Investments were only getting about \$1,000.

STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION

Statement of January 31, 2016 was presented.

Mr. Housley said we are reconciled for December. He still has an unknown amount of \$10.00 from November.

Mrs. Steiner said we are disbursing more than we are collecting in the water and sewer funds and asked if that was normal.

Mr. Housley said we have a lesser beginning year balance this year than we have had in past years because of the projects we took on. Also, blanket purchase orders for the entire year were issued. As we collect revenue for the year, it should even out and we should end up positive again by the end of the year. We spent down a lot of the cash on the water meter project.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Scott said the Statement would be brought out for adoption this evening.

Finance and Appropriations Committee – Mr. Scott

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Mr. Scott stated **Resolution No.: 07-2016** was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

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

Mr. Scott stated **Resolution No.: 08-2016** was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

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

Mr. Scott stated **Ordinance No.: 09-2016** was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Motion to suspend the rules by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. Church
Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0
Motion to adopt by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mrs. Steiner
Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

Motion to accept the **Statement of Cash Position of January 31, 2016**, by Mr. Scott. Seconded by Mr. Church. All members of Council signified their approval by saying aye.

Planning, Zoning and Insurance Committee – Mr. Church

Mr. Church stated **Resolution No.: 10-2016** was discussed in Committee earlier this evening and is ready for adoption.

Motion to suspend the rules by Mr. Church, seconded by Mrs. Steiner
Roll call on suspension: Yes 7 No 0
Motion to adopt by Mr. Church, seconded by Mrs. Meyer
Roll call on adoption: Yes 7 No 0

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Mayor Hovey reported we were debriefed today regarding our grant submission for the lake. We placed in the middle, and some tips were provided for how we can improve the application if we apply again. Mrs. Steiner reported our score was 63 and the lowest cut-off was 82, but the reviewer was complimentary in some areas and told us how we can improve if we write another grant. She complimented us on having data from the water study.

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Mr. Heydorn added 23 applied and seven got the grant. We were in the middle. He got the impression it was much more about the art of writing the grant than it was about the virtue of the project.

Mayor reported we have about 350 water meters installed, which is about one-third. When we decided our Service Department would install them, the timeframe was about 18 months. It appears we could be done by the end of the year, which would be 14 months. We are hoping to have it done before leaf season. We are installing about 100 per month and are getting good cooperation from residents. Mayor reminded Council to schedule their appointments.

Mayor commended Chuck Burgan, Service Department, for turning in \$20.00 he found lying in the parking lot. A resident had dropped it on his way in to pay his water bill.

Mayor provided health insurance quotes from the company we are currently using. Options range from a 6% to 8% increase. Proposals from other companies will be forthcoming, but Mayor was pleased with the initial proposals. Mayor asked that the Finance Committee meet between now and the next Council meeting to discuss this, as well as employee compensation.

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

Chief John Conley reported he was notified we did not receive grant assistance for our body camera project. There was a long list of applicants from Ohio. Only three law enforcement agencies in Summit County received funding – Springfield Township, Sagamore Hills Township, and City of Twinsburg. We are going to apply for another grant that just came up, so Chief has asked the Mayor to wait another month before purchasing the cameras. We have applied about eight times in the last five years and have not been successful. Population and crime statistics of the community are factors they look at, so our low crime rate is probably affecting grant approval.

Mr. Mark Lipan, Service Director, reported we are still using last year's salt. We are committed to buying at least 400 tons this year. Water tower work will be started this week. It involves putting lightening protection on it, an arm for pulling off the manhole cover, and cleaning. Our equipment has been holding up well with some minor repairs by our mechanic. We purchased a new truck bed. The transmission in the Dodge Dakota was replaced and a seat reupholstered.

Mr. Jones asked if we are salting the side streets. Mr. Lipan said we are doing the intersections, hills and bad curves. Mr. Jones said the intersection at Highland Drive and Silver Lake Blvd. was slick the other night. Mr. Lipan said that is one that should have been salted.

Mr. Church asked if GBC Design had finished their analysis. Mr. Lipan said they have finished the field work and have yet to do the topographic.

Mr. Sean Housley, Clerk-Treasurer, reported we received an invoice from Summit County Department of Environmental Services on February 2, 2016. What they did on this invoice was a

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“true up.” Their explanation was a revenue shortfall for the City of Akron. For 2014 our share is 3.5%, \$21,217. For 2015 for April through August, our share of the shortfall is \$8,307. For September through October 2015, it is \$3,000. Total billed is \$32,560 that we have not budgeted for. Mr. Housley said he checked back to 2012, and they have not done this before.

We received notice on January 28, 2016, that we would be receiving an inheritance tax settlement for approximately \$23,000 from an estate which started the process in 2010.

Miscellaneous Business

Mayor commented our new rate with Constellation Energy will be \$2.85 for May, 2016 through April, 2017. That is the lowest rate we have ever had. The newspaper article said Cuyahoga Falls had \$2.57, but they did it for only six months. Our broker advised us to go with a one year plan, and he expects rates to be even better a year from now.

Mr. Jones said there are large political signs on Kent Road and asked the Mayor to see if they are in the right of way.

Mr. Scott asked about scheduling a Finance Committee meeting prior to the next regular Council meeting. It was agreed to meet at 5:45 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2015.

There being no further comments or questions, Council adjourned at 7:48 p.m. until the next regular meeting of Council on Monday, March 7, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mr. Gerald P. Jones, President of Council

ATTEST:

Sean M. Housley
Clerk-Treasurer