

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

Monday, June 15, 2020

7:00 p.m.

The Village of Silver Lake Council met in a regular session on Monday, June 15, 2020, by teleconference.

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

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Mr. Dann Nivens, Mr. Tim Nichols, Mrs. Betsy Meyer, Mr. Gerald Jones, Mr. William Church, Mrs. Therese Dunphy, and Mr. Matthew Plesich.

Roll call of Council - 7 members present

Absent – None

Mr. Jones: Were there any additions or corrections to the minutes of the May 18, Council meeting. There being no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved as submitted.

Mr. Jones: Called for the reading of ordinances and resolutions by Mr. Housley and assigned the committees.

First Reading:

ORDINANCE NO.: 23-2020 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2020, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (*Finance & Appropriations*)

Second Reading: *None*

Third Reading: *None*

Comments from the audience: *None*

FINANCE AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE - Mr. Church

ORDINANCE NO.: 23-2020

Mr. Church: This is related to \$3,115 for Neptune 360 cloud platform and maintenance, \$1,125 for police entrance security door, \$8,900 for the Village Hall entrance security door, and unemployment costs for \$2,500. In total that is \$15,640.

Mr. Nivens: What doors are being replaced in the police department?

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Mr. Lipan: It's not the doors, the security entrance with the camera is not working properly. It needs upgraded and repaired.

Mr. Nivens: Are we taking that out of the stimulus package?

Mr. Lipan: Yes, I do believe that was part of it.

Mr. Jones: The Mayor called me last week and asked what I thought of the entrance security doors, I asked him to include the estimates with the legislation for the next meeting and I do not see them here.

Mr. Housley: I did not have those to include for this meeting, we can do a second read on this and I can include them then.

This Ordinance will go for a second reading at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

The statement of cash position for May 31st 2020 was discussed and accepted as distributed.

The payment of claims for May 13th, May 22nd and May 29th were discussed and accepted as distributed.

Mrs. Dunphy: I had a question regarding the engineering fees, I was wondering if there were any updates on that?

Mr. Lipan: They went out and surveyed, I am waiting for them to give me a figure. That will be the estimate to raise the road 18 inches to keep it from flooding.

Mr. Nichols: Is it too early to predict how things will go this year in light of the circumstances?

Mr. Housley: It is too early. RITA has told me that year-to-date collections are down 28%, but I do not believe that relates to us. They estimate our income tax collections to be down about \$65,000. I have not seen it yet. Our ticket revenue is likely to be less due to the pandemic but not by much. Our return on investments might not meet our budget by \$10,000-15,000.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - Mrs. Meyer

MORAL CLAIM – MATTHEW PORTER

Mr. Nivens: I went and looked at the area where the tree fell and damaged the fence yesterday, there is no way that I can support this moral claim as it is submitted.

Mr. Church: It appears that he is requesting to put up a completely different type of fence.

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Mrs. Dunphy: I spoke with Sean and we should hear some input from Mark regarding the replacement of the fence, it seemed as though the costs were comparable.

Mr. Lipan: I checked Lowe's and everything it would take to replace the fence, not including the hardware, would cost \$1,132.91. That would be for him putting it up himself.

Mrs. Meyer: Does he have insurance?

Mr. Housley: I can follow up with him and see if he does.

Mr. Church: Mark, the amount you mentioned from Lowe's, is that for a chain link fence?

Mr. Lipan: Yes, it is for putting the same thing back up.

Mr. Church: Does the entire fence need to be replaced?

Mr. Lipan: Yes.

Mr. Heydorn: For insurance this is considered an act of God and we are not responsible for acts of God. It seems like it will rely heavily on the wording of the insurance, but my guess is that there is no coverage.

Mr. Housley: I will follow up with him.

Mr. Plesich: Maybe we should ask if he would like to be present for a meeting to make a statement.

The moral claim will be discussed again during the next meeting of Council.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Mayor Hovey: No report.

Mr. Robert Heydorn, Village Solicitor: Sean, the Mayor and I are still working on the large sewer bill that we received. That will be ongoing for some period of time.

Chief Jamie Norris: I want to thank the Stow Police Department for help with the protest. Everything went well, and it was peaceful.

Mr. Church: You sent an example piece of golf cart legislation, could you send that to Mr. Heydorn as well so that he can take a look at it.

Mr. Mark Lipan, Service Director: Hydrant flushing is done. We have started exercising the valves. The cameras in the back are operational.

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Mr. Sean Housley, Clerk-Treasurer: No report.

Mr. Jones: Will we be able to have a physical meeting next time?

Mayor Hovey: The 10-person limit is still in effect. If a meeting is considered essential the 10-person rule can be waived. We might not be able to have it in Village Hall, but I have been in communication with the Church and they are willing to allow us to use their facility as long as we clean up and sanitize after we are done.

Mrs. Dunphy: I have noticed that some of the surrounding bodies have had meetings with Council and key personnel but not the public. They gave an email for submission of questions.

Mayor Hovey: We would still need to have a teleconference to make it an open meeting for the public.

Mr. Heydorn: Having Council meet together and then doing a teleconference or Zoom call for the public seems pretty common right now.

Mr. Housley: I could buy a laptop for \$800 with an eye on it, that would allow the public to see the meeting. I could also receive emails during the meeting and administer it as well.

Mrs. Dunphy: You could get a webcam, rather than a computer with a camera for a fraction of the cost.

Mr. Church: Let's look at the Church first.

Mr. Nivens: In our budget conversations we discussed reinstating animal control. I would like to throw that out there so that we can look into this. I had talked to Mr. Jones about the deer hunting ordinance in February, and I would like to start some discussion on repealing the ordinance. I personally feel that the results from the past couple of years have not shown any benefit to the residents that are being deprived of the recreational area. I wanted to mention that the Park Board meetings are not recorded, instead there is a synopsis of the meeting.

Mr. Jones: I spoke with someone from the Park Board and she said that at the last meeting she thought there was 12 people in attendance. Is that true?

Mr. Lipan: There were maybe 7 or 8 people there at most.

Mayor Hovey: I am looking right now and there were 9 people there.

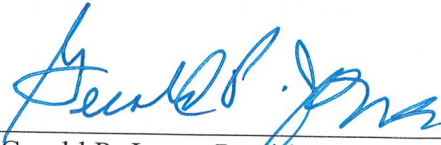
There being no further questions or comments, Council adjourned at 7:36 p.m., until the next regular meeting of Council on Monday, July 6, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

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APPROVED:



Mr. Gerald P. Jones, President of Council

ATTEST:



Sean M. Housley, CPA

Clerk-Treasurer

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