REGULAR SESSION

Monday, April 18, 2022

The Governing Body of the City of Silver Lake met in regular session at City Hall on Monday evening April 18, 2022, at 5:30 PM with Mayor Mack Smith conducting the meeting and the following Councilmembers present: Jake Fisher, Steve Pegram, Heath Robinson and Larry Ross (4), Absent: Brad Bryant (1). Also present was City Attorney Todd Luckman, Public Works Superintendent Willie Smith, Police Chief Marc McCune, City Clerk Liz Steckel, and Assistant Clerk Marie Beam.

Local Business Owner Melinda Field was present during public comments to request the lights on the City of Silver Lake Welcome Signs be repaired. Public Works Superintendent Smith is to look into replacing the lights with solar lights. Mrs. Field also asked if the City would be interested in placing Christmas Lights on more poles along Highway 24. Superintendent Smith will talk to the Evergy Engineer to find out if more lights are permissible.

Julie Erb with the Silver Lake Ball Association was present to update Council on their current enrollment. She thanked Council for past donations to the group and asked for help with finding a baseball field that could be used by their older players. Councilmember Pegram made a motion to donate 2500 dollars to the Ball Association. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Robinson and passed.

Local Business Owner Jeff Wooster was present during public comments to discuss inoperable vehicles within City limits.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robinson to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2022 meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fisher and carried.

Claim vouchers in the amount of 34875.19 dollars were submitted for appropriation. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Appropriating Money to Pay Certain Claims" was introduced. A motion was made by Councilmember Ross and seconded by Councilmember Pegram that said Ordinance be accepted as read and was then placed on final passage by a roll call of the following vote: AYE: Jake Fisher, Steve Pegram, Heath Robinson and Larry Ross (4) NAY: None. With no further discussion, Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2525.

Public Works Superintendent Smith presented a proposal to purchase a pump station generator for Well House #5. A bid was presented for a 60 Kw diesel powered unit with an automatic transfer switch for 39429.88 dollars. Councilmember Pegram made a motion to purchase the generator not to exceed 40000.00 dollars. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ross and passed.

Public Works Superintendent Smith requested to purchase a Grasshopper 725DT Tractor. Councilmember Ross made the motion to purchase the tractor not to exceed 19006.00 dollars. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Robinson and passed.

Public Works Superintendent Smith requested a 6000-dollar limit to attempt to purchase a hoop building from online auction site, Big Iron Auctions. The building will be used to replace the Salt and Sand Shed that was destroyed in a wind storm. The cost of the building is covered by insurance. Councilmember Robinson made the motion to purchase a building not to exceed 6000 dollars. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fisher and passed.

Water Tower repairs and maintenance programs were discussed at length. Superintendent Smith is to talk to both companies that have provided bids and report back at the next meeting. The questions Council need to consider include: the cost to paint and repair the tower with no maintenance program, how long will the paint be covered under warranty, if the maintenance program guarantees the tower will be repainted at year eleven, and the cost difference if the water tower is painted with two colors instead of adding lettering and a logo.

Staff budget request were presented to Council for their initial review.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ross, seconded by Councilmember Pegram and approved to adopt Resolution No. 2022-03 to temporarily extend the premise of Blacksmith Event Centre on June 10, 2022.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robinson and seconded by Councilmember Ross that a Salary Ordinance be accepted as written and was then placed on final passage by a roll call vote: AYE: Jake Fisher, Steve Pegram, Heath Robinson and Larry Ross (4) NAY: None. With no further discussion, Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2526.

Police Chief McCune informed Council that the 2018 Tahoe sold for 33500.00 dollars. Chief McCune also let Council know that Mike Mitchell with the Lions Club contacted him requesting approval for the Lions Club to purchase a bench to be placed at the new Police Station. Council expressed their appreciation for the Lions Clubs consideration. Police Chief McCune is working with Shawnee County Sheriff Hill to coordinate a bicycle patrol in Silver Lake by Sheriff’s Deputies. Councilmember Ross complimented Officer Ashcraft on his good work. Superintendent Smith also thanked Officer Ashcraft for his quick response to a fire caused by a downed power line.

Public Works Superintendent Smith advised Council that the street sweeper is waiting on dry weather. Superintendent Smith presented a request from the Public to purchase a new City Christmas Tree. Councilmember Fisher made a motion to purchase a new sixteen-foot tree not to exceed 3564.00 dollars. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Robinson and passed.

City Clerk Steckel showed Council samples of logo wear. Council directed Clerk Steckel to create order forms for City Council and Staff. In addition, Council directed Clerk Steckel to purchase logo wear to have on hand for sale to the public. Mrs. Steckel relayed a request by the Philanthropic Education Organization for the use of the Community Center on April 21 and 22, 2023. Council directed City Clerk Steckel to approve the request.

Councilmember Pegram thanked Superintendent Smith for a tour around town.

Mayor Smith informed Council that City Hall will be closed on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 to allow City Clerk Steckel and Assistant Clerk Beam to attend online budget training.

Municipal Court has been rescheduled from Wednesday, June 1, 2022 to Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 5:00 PM.

The next Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2022, at 5:30 PM. The following meeting is scheduled for Monday May 16, 2022, at 5:30 PM. Bids for the 2022 Street Project will be accepted until May 2, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

With no other business to come before Council, Councilmember Robinson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ross and approved.

Marie Beam, Assistant Clerk