

**City of Silver Lake  
Regular Session Minutes  
Monday, January 15, 2024**

The Governing Body of the City of Silver Lake met in regular session at City Hall on Monday evening January 15, 2024, with Mayor Jonah Bishop conducting the meeting and the following Councilmembers present: Brad Bryant, Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, Larry Ross, and Kenneth Wade (5). Absent: None (0). Also present were Public Works Superintendent Cary Deiter, Police Chief Marc McCune, City Clerk Liz Steckel, and Assistant Clerk Marie Beam.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bryant to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of the January 4, 2024 meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ross and carried.

Claim vouchers in the amount of \$9,048.35 were submitted to the Council for appropriation. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Appropriating Money to Pay Certain Claims" was introduced. A motion was made by Councilmember Fisher and seconded by Councilmember Wade that said Ordinance be accepted as read and was then placed on final passage by a roll call vote: AYE: Brad Bryant, Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, Larry Ross, and Kenneth Wade. (5) NAY: None. With no further discussion the Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2594.

Councilmember Wade motioned to modify the agenda, proposing the adjustment of business item number 2 to 'Zoning Status Discussion' and the addition of business item number 5, 'KRWA Annual Conference.' The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and carried.

Councilmember Wade made a motion to approve a Salary Ordinance for City employees effective January 1, 2024. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and was then placed on final passage by a roll call of the following vote: AYE: Brad Bryant, Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, Larry Ross, and Kenneth Wade. (5). NAY: None. With no further discussion, the Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2595.

Council Discussed the Status of Zoning for Eagle Storage. Mayor Bishop aimed to uphold small-town values through collaboration with Eagle Storage. In response, Councilmember Wade made a motion to direct City Attorney Luckman to dismiss the charges against Eagle Storage without prejudice, with an objective to facilitate resolution for the ongoing nuisance situation and establish a more comprehensive, long-term solution for zoning issues. Importantly, this action did not entail a zoning amendment or the granting of any special use. The motion, seconded by Councilmember Ross, did not proceed further and can be considered not approved.

Councilmember Fisher made a motion to direct City Attorney Luckman to contact Mr. Smith, Counsel for Eagle Storage, to explore the possibility of continuing the case for a minimum of 90 days, with an extension for the purpose of facilitating negotiations between Eagle Storage and the City of Silver Lake. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and approved.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ross to approve a Sign Ordinance that will provide regulations for signage within the City's Code, as corrected. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Wade and was then placed on final passage by a roll call of the following vote: AYE: Brad Bryant, Jake Fisher, Michael Hamilton, Larry Ross, and Kenneth Wade. (5). NAY: None. With no further discussion, the Ordinance was declared passed and was given No. 2596.

Councilmember Wade provided an update on the status of potholes on Parr Road, addressing a public comment received during the Council meeting on January 4, 2024. Superintendent Deiter assured Council that his team is ready to repair the potholes using cold patch and plans on completing the task before spring as long as weather permits. Councilmember Wade conveyed positive feedback from numerous members of the public, praising the excellent snow removal efforts of the Public Works team.

Councilmember Ross made a motion to send Public Works Superintendent Deiter and Public Works Assistant Kirk to the KRWA Annual Conference from March 26 to March 28, with expenses capped at \$1050 for room, board, and registration. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hamilton and carried.

City Attorney Luckman presented a resource to the Council, outlining the process and terminology associated with executive sessions.

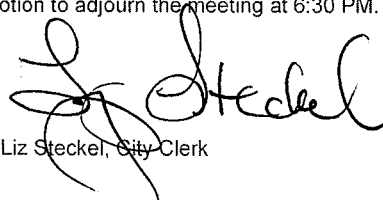
Chief McCune commended the Public Works team for their efficient street clearing efforts after the recent storm. He reported that one police vehicle has been at Briggs for a week; they initiated the inspection today, and he expects more information by tomorrow. Chief McCune informed the Council that the city's crossing guard, Ivan May, resigned due to accepting the position of Transportation Manager for the school. The City will advertise for a new crossing guard. He also mentioned upcoming child safety and booster seat checkpoints on March 9th, with Silver Lake hosting one at the High School parking lot from 9 AM until noon. There is no charge for this service. Chief McCune added that Police Administrative Assistant Scarbrough is certified in car seat installation and inspection. Chief McCune cautioned about the use of counterfeit \$100 bills locally. Chief McCune informed Council that he would be absent at the next meeting due to training.

City Clerk Liz Steckel presented an offer from Silver Lake Bank with a new rate to consider when reinvesting the CD discussed at the last meeting, and Council took no action.

Mrs. Steckel asked Council if they would like to purchase a table at the Annual Silver Lake Education Foundation Breakfast for 225.00 dollars. Councilmember Ross made a motion to purchase a table at the breakfast. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bryant and carried.

The next two meetings are scheduled for Mondays, February 5, 2024, and March 4, 2024, both at 5:30 PM.

With no other business to come before Council, Councilmember Wade made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 PM. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Fisher and approved.

  
Liz Steckel, City Clerk