

TOWN OF SILVER LAKE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SILVER LAKE TOWN MEETING HALL

March 7, 2018

7:09PM

I. PUBLIC MEETING OPENED:

Chad opened the meeting upon the closure of the Public Hearing for the sewer rate increase.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

February 14, 2018 Bond minutes and **February 14, 2018 regular meeting minutes** were approved as written with Phil making first motion, Dana seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance 03-01-18-Sewer Rate Ordinance was read and passed with Phil making first motion to accept the increase, Dana seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A) **Farm Land Bids** were open and read aloud. Two bids were received, they are as follows:

a) **Walther Farms \$100.00 per acre**

b) **Hoffman Farms \$177.00 per acre**

After much discussion the Council accepted the bid from Hoffman Farms for a total bid of \$1327.00. Dana made first motion, Phil seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried. Tonya stated that she was contacted and asked if the Council would consider doing a three year bid contract instead of one year because the prep of land for farming and also if the lease amount could be half up front and half when crops season is over. All Council agreed that it is best to keep it as is but would revisit it next year at bidding time.

B) **Trash/Mowing Bid Advertisements-** Tonya stated she would be sending advertisements to the newspaper for solid waste removal bids as well as for mowing bids.

C) **Health Insurance** would remain the same for employee health, dental, vision and life. The health portion increased by \$172.85. She stated that another insurance company/agent approached the Town with regard to switching agencies. She asked the Council if that was something they would like to do or keep it with the current agency. All Council agreed to stay with the current agent.

V. CITIZEN COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

NONE

VI. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- Marshal's Department (Jason)
 - a) Call logs given to the Council
 - b) A gentleman contacted the department stating that he found hypodermic needles along the road way and on someone's property. Jason said that if anyone finds them they should contact the police department and they will come and retrieve them from the property. Residents are asked not to touch them.
 - c) The Police Crown Vic has been in the shop twice for repairs and they believe it has been fixed now.

- Water Department (Joey)
 - a) Had nothing to report

- Street/Sewer Department (JT)
 - a) The owners of Bowman's Landing contacted JT about people parking on their property and asked the Council if he could put no parking signs up in that area considering the Town owns about 3 feet from the roadway. He has old signs that can be used. Jason said that the Town could not write ordinance violations for that but could tell the people parking on others property to move if they call the Police Department. The Council told JT to put the signs up.
 - b) He thanked Joey and Phil for all of their help while he was at class during the heavy rain with all the sewer vacuum system issues. He stated his department had a lot of vac. alarms.

- Fire Department (John):
 - a) 6 runs since last meeting
 - b) The Fire Department insurance is up for renewal and John stated that when he originally placed a value on the trucks he did so too low of cost. With the increase to the values and the renewal the insurance premium would be \$4678.00 annually. If Accident and Health were increased under plan 1 the total premium would be \$4877.00 or under plan 2 would be \$5049.00. Dana gave first motion to stay with current plan, Phil abstained, Chad seconded and all in favor, motion carried.
 - c) March 15th will be the fire investigation for the house fire on Jefferson St. He will report any findings to the Council.
 - d) Spoke about an invoice from WW Williams for generator repair and the cost of travel and labor costs they charged when they hadn't fixed it the first time they came out.

VII. CLAIM DOCKET:

Claim docket in the amount of \$87877.23 was accepted by Phil making first motion, Dana seconded and Chad all in favor, motion carried.

VIII. LETTERS:

- a) Mumford leak letter- The resident did not qualify for a water adjustment in accordance with the ordinance specifications but she did qualify for the sewer adjustment of \$17.56. Dana gave first motion, Phil seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried.
- b) Streeter leak letter- Tonya explained the situation to the Council regarding this issue stemming from a plumber that had cut her line. Joanne then had to contact another plumber to come and fix the issue. She is asking for an adjustment to February and March bills. She qualified for \$107.94 for water and \$71.81 for a total adjustment of \$179.75. Dana gave first motion, Phil seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a) **Next meeting** is scheduled for April 11, 2018; meeting location will be at Silver Lake's Meeting Hall, 604 N Jefferson St. Silver Lake starting at 7:00pm.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at **7:49pm**, Phil made first motion to adjourn, Dana seconded and Chad all in favor, motion carried.

CHAD MINER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

TONYA CONLEY, CLERK-TREASURER