

**Town of Silver Lake  
Council Public Meeting Minutes  
Silver Lake Lion's Club  
September 9, 2020  
7:00pm**

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**II. ROLL CALL:**

***ELECTED OFFICIALS***

Chad Miner, Nichole Taylor, Hugh Murfin, Tonya Conley

***DEPARTMENT HEADS***

Jason McGlennen, Joey McNeal, John Conley (absent), JT Prater

***TOWN ATTORNEY***

Karin McGrath

**III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

**August 12, 2020** meeting minutes were approved with Hugh making first motion, Nichole seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried.

**GUEST SPEAKERS: NONE**

**IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) **Environmental Study and Asbestos Survey Report** was completed in August. The Environmental study was done by researching property records and it was concluded that there is not any known contaminations or hazards on or surrounding the property. The asbestos survey concluded the presence of asbestos around the window caulking and the casing surrounding an upstairs chalkboard. Asbestos remediation will need to be completed prior to demolition. It is believed that some remediation of asbestos has been done because no other samples were positive. Tonya stated she spoke with Shannon and the remediation will be added to the OCRA grant.

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) **Resolution 20-09-01 Transfers of Appropriations, Resolution 20-09-02 Reduction of Appropriation (EDIT/CEDIT) and Resolution 20-09-03 Reduction of Appropriations (MVH, MVH-RE & LRS)** were passed with Nichole making first motion, Hugh seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried. Tonya explained that transfers are normally done twice per year to move over-budgeted money from an appropriation into appropriations that were under budgeted. The OCRA and Community Crossings Grants have been pushed back to next year the resolutions are to reduce the amounts not needed this year and add them to the 2021 budget.
- b) **AT&T First Net** a dedicated core network for first responders. All the town employees' cell and the police department air cards can be on the plan. The cost savings to the town would be around \$60.00 per month. This would give added security, additional coverage

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on Band 14, priority for voice data when towers are clogged with a lot of users during emergency situations. This plan also has unlimited data. The town would need to pay off existing AT&T next plan phones and the employees could get new phones for \$.99 per line. Hugh made first motion to accept, Nichole seconded, Chad all in favor motion carried.

- c) **Halloween** was discussed. Tonya stated because of social distancing we will not have the celebration at Station 2 but she plans on setting up at Memory Park and individually wrapping a cookie, juice box and candy for each child. She asked the council what date they would like to do trick or treat because Halloween falls on a Saturday. The Council chose Friday evening from 6:00-7:30pm. Lion's members present said they would discuss at their next meeting about joining the town in providing juice boxes and also putting something together for their costume contest.

**VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS/CONCERNS:**

**NONE**

**VII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**a) Jason McGlennen, Marshal Dept.:**

- Call history
- Hugh asked Jason if he was made aware of a car break-in and the report of a license being taken from the vehicle. Jason replied that he was not aware of that situation.

**b) Joey McNeal, Water Dept.:**

- Water leaks have been discovered and the one at the school has been fixed. Joey is waiting on the water pit to install that. There is also a water leak behind Lake City Bank/Barber Shop area that hasn't been pinpointed yet. Joey said he has checked in several locations for the leak but has not been able to locate where exactly on the line it is leaking.

**c) JT Prater, Street & Sewer Dept.:**

- 2 vac alarms since last meeting

**d) John Conley, Fire Dept. (absent): (Tonya read a report given to her prior to the meeting)**

- 8 runs since last meeting
- September 9<sup>th</sup> last mandatory class
- The department received a grant from NIPSCO to purchase a smoke machine for training.

**VIII. CLAIM DOCKET:**

**\$95582.95** in **claims** were paid. Nichole made first motion to approve, Hugh seconded and Chad all in favor, motion carried.

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**IX. LETTERS:**

Two leak letters were received. Wilma Mason qualifies for \$539.03 off water and \$0.00 off of sewer and Richard Nordman qualifies for \$232.50 off water and \$0.85 off of sewer. Hugh made first motion to adjust as qualified, Nichole seconded, Chad all in favor, motion carried.

**X. MISCELLANEOUS:**

- a) **Public Hearing for the 2021 Budget** is scheduled for October 14, 2020 at the Silver Lake Town Hall beginning at 7:00pm.
- b) **Next regular meeting** is scheduled for October 14, 2020 immediately following the close of the public hearing.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:**

Adjournment came at **7:20pm** with Hugh making first motion, Nichole seconded and Chad all in favor, motion carried.

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**CHAD MINER, COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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**TONYA CONLEY, CLERK-TREASURER**