

TOWN OF SILVER LAKE  
PUBLIC/COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 10, 2021  
SILVER LAKE TOWN HALL  
7:00PM

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**II. ROLL CALL:**

***ELECTED OFFICIALS***

Hugh Murfin, Nichole Taylor, Gloria (Jean) Weller, Tonya Conley

***DEPARTMENT HEADS***

Jason McGlennen, Joey McNeal, John Conley, JT Prater

***TOWN ATTORNEY***

C. Austin Rovenstine

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

**Duane Kline**, Pastor for South Pleasant United Methodist Church spoke to the council about a free breakfast and asked if it would be feasible to have it somewhere in town. He told the council the breakfast would be free of charge to the community, the church will be making the food and proper PPE will be worn. Hugh said there is nothing in our ordinances that would be against having this but the Pastor would need to check with the county and make sure there isn't anything preventing this on their end. Duane asked if there was a building or a place in the community that they would be able to use and Jeanie offered the Lion's Club building. She asked the other Lion's members present if there would be an issue with allowing them the use of the building and they all agreed that would be fine for them to use. Duane stated that the breakfast could possibly start in March or April and would be hosted on a Saturday. The church would like to do this one Saturday per month. The council agreed this would be good for the community and welcomed the idea.

**III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Jean made first motion to accept the January 13, 2021 meeting minutes as written, Nichole seconded the motion, Hugh all in favor motion carried.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

**Façade Grant-** Tonya received two quotes for architectural or structural engineering services. Troyer Group submitted a proposal for \$19900.00 for the assessment of seven buildings and SRKM Architecture submitted a proposal for \$1500.00 per building for the assessment of 7 buildings totaling \$10500.00. Nichole gave first motion to accept SRKM Architecture for the amount proposed, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Ordinance 02-01-21 an amendment to Salary Ordinance 12-01-20** was passed with Nichole making first motion, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

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2. **Fire Department/Town and Township Contract** was accepted for 2021 with Jean making first motion, Nichole seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.
3. **Sensus/EJP Support quote** was discussed in detail with the over all consensus being to leave the support contract with Sensus only and in the future adding EJP support. Nichole made first motion to accept the Sensus support for \$2500.00, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.
4. **Farmland Lease Advertisement** was brought to the table. Tonya stated that the IC states that the council can lease the land for a period longer then three (3) years if it is decided upon in a public meeting. She needs to know for advertisement how long they would like to lease the land. It was agreed upon that a five (5) year lease would be appropriate. Jean made first motion for five years, Nichole seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

**VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS/CONCERNS:**

None

**VII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

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

- Call history
- The officer's protection package was not installed in the new Police Charger when purchased, they have since ordered one and it has been installed.
- JAG Grant was approved and the modification to the grant was also approved. The grant is for police radios and is 100% reimbursable to the town. The grant is \$46000.00. Jason said the department is working with Tonya on a plan to submit the reimbursement at the end of a quarter so that the town does not have to wait weeks or months for the reimbursement to come to the town.

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

- There is a water leak somewhere in town, the water plant meter is showing a huge spike in usage. Joe is asking anyone if they see standing water, melting snow in a certain area not caused by weather or water running out of a house to please call it in.

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

- Air Vac was called in to the lake vac house due to pumps running 3 times the normal. Air Vac believes there is a crack in a main somewhere causing this and will be out in the spring to help find it. JT told the council that the NIPSCO bill will be much higher due to the pumps running.
- Submitted two quotes for leaf vacuums for leaf season. One quote from Brown Equipment Company for \$71975.00 and the second quote came from Xtreme Vac for \$77081.24. JT recommended the Xtreme Vac quote even though it's a higher cost. He said the Xtreme Vac has a gas engine, bigger fan suction (making it easier to use) and hydraulics. The council chose to table the quotes until they could further review them.

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**d) John Conley, Fire Dept.:**

- 7 runs since last meeting
- Pump Training from an outside source is available to the department for \$2500.00 for a whole weekend of training. This will be split with the township. The department would like to use the training fund set aside by the town for the town's portion and then they will confirm the schedule with Dunny's Pump Service out of Syracuse. The council agreed to allow the funds to be used.
- John gave details to the council about a federal grant for the replacement of radios. The department would be joining other departments in the county for the grant. The town will need to match 5% which would roughly be \$6000.00 but he needed town permission to join the grant. Nichole gave first motion to join the grant application, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

**VIII. CLAIM DOCKET:**

**\$129864.94** in claims is to be paid. Nichole gave first motion to accept, Jean seconded the motion, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

**IX. LETTERS:**

**Leak letters** were received from four town residents. The adjustments they qualify for are as follows:

- b) Subway- sewer adjustment \$104.39
- c) Pollard-\$5.41 sewer adjustment

Nichole gave first motion to adjust all accounts as calculated, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

**X. MISCELLANEOUS:**

- a) **Next regular meeting** is scheduled for March 10, 2021 at the Silver Lake Town Hall beginning at 7:00pm.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT:**

Adjournment came at 7:39pm with Nichole making first motion, Jean seconded and Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

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**MEDARD MURFIN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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**TONYA CONLEY, CLERK-TREASURER**