

Town of Silver Lake
Council Public Meeting Minutes
Silver Lake Town Hall
October 12, 2022
7:00pm

I. OPEN REGULAR MEETING

II. GUEST

▪ ***JOHN LANTZ- K. COUNTY AWL***

John shared a video on the Animal Welfare League. He moved here not quite 2 years ago, and he's been trying to get the word out about the league. They have several programs one being a reading program where kids can read to the animals, a kitty foster program, a Lifestyle program for seniors, and a Lost and Found program when if your pet is lost, the AWL gives you information on where to look, and what to do. The league needs community support, they have been a non-profit for 25 years. Every animal gets a wellness check when they come to the shelter. They are struggling with employment. Most are making \$9 an hour or volunteering. Best friend animal society has partnered with them. They also work with Kokomo shelter, where they have a behavioral program for animals that are having a little trouble. There were no questions after John had finished and the council donated \$500.00 to K. County AWL. Jean made first motion, Nichole seconded it and Hugh all in favor. Donation was approved.

▪ ***BETH JOHNSON- ENGINEEING SERVICES PASER CCMG***

Beth gave an overview of the items that needed signed to move forward for the application for the CCMG. A question was asked about what the Paser rating was? Beth said rating on the roads, and that they need to be done every 2 years. The on-call agreement authorization was signed, and Beth informed them it will start next week. Nichole made first motion to approve the Paser rating study, Jean seconded the motion, and Hugh all in favor.

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

➤ September 7, 2022, Regular meeting, Nichole motioned first, with Jean seconded it, and Hugh all in favor minutes were approved.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A) Invoice/ Draw #3 School Demolition

Amount for \$77,116.05

Jean made a motion to approve the invoice, Nichole seconded the motion, and Hugh all in favor.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A) Ordinance 10-01-22 Rezoning Ordinance

The old church across from where the school had been rezoned, Nichole made first motion to pass the ordinance, Jean seconded it, and Hugh all in favor ordinance passed and signed.

B) Resolution 22-01-10 Appropriation Transfer

Hugh stated this was so Tonya can take from one place (appropriation) to put into another. Nichole made first motion, Jean seconded it and Hugh all in favor Resolution passed.

C) Kayak Rentals (Cody)

Cody stated it started with a walk at Pike Lake and he saw a kiosk of kayaks. He spoke with the CEO of the company. The company started in 2012 with rented bikes, and in 2019 went to Kayaks. They come in four, eight, and twelve racks. The user would have to download app, they would have to know where you want to rent from and sign a waiver. Code unlocks locker and you must fill out a questionnaire that everything is there (equipment when opening the locker). A debit card is used to rent, and you pay for the time you have it. The town side would be a five-year contract for \$16,000.00 up front, they install it, and the kiosk can be on any surface does not need to be cement. Cody thought that if the council approved this, the town could start out with a four-kayak rack. The agreement covers all equipment and an insurance policy liability for town. After the 5-year contract is up the town will pay no more fee. The town receives 30% back from each use. Cody stated he thinks it seems to be a good idea. If you want it pulled out before the 5 years is up, you are out the \$16,000.00. John asked if they also put paddle boards in with the kayaks. Cody said no just kayaks. Jean asked if there was interest in the town or if anyone was asking about this? Cody has not had anyone ask about it. He stated that they may want to get feedback from the community. Cody also stated that he didn't see anywhere in the contract that says you have to use the lake where you got the kayak from. He likes to float the river and doesn't have a kayak. Said he doesn't see why

you wouldn't be able to do that. The rental is \$15.00 an hour or \$40.00 for 4 hours. The town is not responsible for maintenance, the company hires someone to maintain it. Cody was questioned asked how successful this has been, Cody responded he has no idea. The company asks that the town Market it on town Facebook page. The company would reach out to the media to get word out and to launch the kiosk with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Jean asked, does the app tell them that there is a \$100.00 hold on their card and Cody said the user should read the fine print that's on the user agreement when they rent it. Cody then said you guys are the citizens what do you think? Nichole said they would table it; they needed more time to think.

D) School Scoreboard Refurbish

Hugh wanted to let everyone know that a gentleman around here can get the board functioning again the way it was. Jean stated, can you believe the company that made it is still in business.

E) Equipment Building Quote

Mike Carr gave a quote for making a building for equipment at the town's Highway Lot. The quote came in at \$35,000.00.

F) Station 2 Quote

Mike Carr gave a price of \$24,500.00 to insulate north and east Wall at Station 2 and install siding.

G) Bobcat-Snow Plow Quote

Bobcat quoted a blade for \$3,477.41

All council members agreed that all E, F and G items are needed. They also understood the struggle to not be able to receive more quotes. Chris said he had tried to reach out to more, but no one was getting back to him. Nichole made the first motion to approve all three quotes, Jean seconded the motion and Hugh all in favor. All quotes were approved.

VII. Citizens Comments/Concerns:

- Jerry Wagner was questioning the council about the tree on the side of his property. Says it's the towns and the town needs to cut it down. The town council said they want a survey done to see who is liable for it. Jerry said he is worried it's going to hurt someone or damage property. He also said he was tired, tired of nothing being done because of the lawsuit pertaining to this tree. Hugh asked Austin if he

was handling that, and he said no that the insurance had hired a lawyer to take care of it. Hugh said he'll investigate it.

- Dale White said the water line is still not fixed at the trailer court, said he called the board of health and didn't get anywhere. He said it is so bad that Lot 5 needs cleaned out. He said he couldn't get ahold of the park's owners and Chris told him to call IDEM on the owners. Hugh told him to call the proper government agencies that handle things of this nature to get them active on it if the owners won't do anything.
- Fred Shepherd said it's getting silly because after the last meeting a lady told him she was going to shoot him. Fred said that Vanessa Yentes had heard her. Vanessa said she had a gun pointed at her before and nothing happened with the cops, so why should she get involved in the situation with Fred. Vanessa asked Fred "So, she can threaten to shoot me too?" Jerry said he is glad she's Fred's neighbor and not his. Bob O'Hara said Fred is just having bad.

VIII. Report of Department Heads:

a.) Jason McGlennen, Marshal Dept.:

- Call history
- Radar Signs are installed and going. Reports are from the radar sign by the old Wabash Valley. Jason said he programmed them wrong, and the speeding is not accurate on report. 1 mile over the limit will call it speeding and he will reprogram them for more accuracy. The reports also give a traffic count and weekly traffic flow. There were 727 vehicles on Sept 25th alone. He told the council that most drivers are slowing down when they see the signs and about an 80% difference from one day to another with the speed data.
- Jason said that he and Hugh went to Indy to look at a charger. Not brand new, it is a 2018 with 20,000 miles and it is a upfitter demo car but low milage for \$23,500.00. Jason said he would like to purchase it. Utility would like to take the Ford F150. Jason said that the town would have to put parts into it due to it being partially built but it does have some lights. Hugh said it's a nice-looking car. Nichole made first motion to buy the car for \$23, 500.00, Jean seconded it and Hugh all in favor.

b.) Chris Craft, Water Dept.:

- New insertion valve done
- New media is completed and going.
- Fence around solar panels is also done.

- Memory Park has been completed.
- Jean asked if there was a heater out at memory park for Halloween. Chris said he could get some extension cords for one.

c.) John Conley, Fire Dept.:

- 12 runs
- The dept. is getting ready for a burn and asked if the town's insurance will cover other agencies/departments while using the burn containers for training. Austin said he will investigate it. It will cost about \$1300 from the training appropriation for cutting doors and putting in stairs for the containers. Hugh said use it and he didn't have a problem with it.

IX. Claim Docket: \$276887.60

Jean made first motion and Nichole seconded it, Hugh all in favor, Claim Docket approved.

Tonya needed permission to pay Tony Caudill's invoice, and to pay Austin's retainer fee. Nichole made first motion to approve both, Jean seconded it and Hugh all in favor.

X. Payroll Docket

9/15/22- \$12,087.09

9/29/22- \$11,832.38

Jean made a motion to approve both payroll dockets, Nichole seconded the motion, and Hugh all in favor.

XI. Letters:

Two leak letter requests

- Paul Perry qualifies for \$206.84 water adjustment, and \$121.28 sewer adjustment
- Gabriel Camarena qualifies for \$ \$594.85 sewer adjustment, and 0 water

Nichole asked if Mr. Camarena's and Mr. Perry's leaks were fixed. Mr. Perry's is, but not Mr. Camarena's. The council agreed that the leak needs fixed before an adjustment can be given. Nichole Made first motion to adjust Mr. Perry's leak, and Jean second motion, and Hugh all

in favor. Mr. Camarena's will be tabled until November if leak is fixed then.

XII. Miscellaneous:

- Budget Adoption- Thursday October 27, 2022 @ 5:30, Town Hall
- Next Council Meeting November 9, 2022 @ Town Hall, 7:00pm

XIII. Adjournment:

Adjournment came at 8:37 pm with Nichole making first motion, Jean seconded and Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

HUGH MURFIN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

TONYA CONLEY, CLERK-TREASURER