

COUNCIL/PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 11, 2023
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604 N. JEFFERSON ST. SILVER LAKE, IN

- The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call was taken prior the opening of the Public Hearing for the 2024 BUDGET.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL:

ELECTED OFFICIALS

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

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Jason McGlennen, Joey McNeal, John Conley

TOWN ATTORNEY

C. Austin Rovenstine

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

September 13, 2023, USDA Grant Public Hearing and September 13, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes was approved with Jean making first motion, Hugh seconded and all in favor, motion carried.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- Architect Agreement-DLZ** submitted a contract for the Community Center Planning Grant for \$20,000.00. The town received the OCRA award of just under \$20,000 and any overage costs the town will be responsible for. Jean made the first motion to accept the agreement, Hugh seconded and all in favor, the motion carried. Hugh signed the contract.
- State of Play quote** to purchase a couple of climbers for the parks was spoken of by Tonya. She stated that these are stand alone and do not need to be anchored into the ground and they are heavy. Jean made the first motion to purchase the climbers, Hugh seconded and all in favor, motion carried.
- Shankster Brothers quote** was explained by Joey, Town Superintendent, who detailed what the quote was for and that the amount will not be greater than \$13300.00 because that is all that is the fund to use. The quote is for the installation of internal breathers for the sewer vac pits. Jean made the first motion, Hugh seconded and all in favor, the motion was carried.

VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

NONE

VII. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

a) Jason McGlennen, Marshal Dept.:

- Call history
- Matt is starting the physical portion of the academy on October 23rd and he's doing class work now.
- Explained flock camera system and requested a demonstration for the town. Tonya said she would also like one for the parks. The cost is \$3000 per year but every law enforcement division can have access to the video.
- Submitted a grant to KCode and should hear something soon.

b) Joey McNeal, Water Dept.:

- Lean-to construction should start the third week in October. All permits have been received.
- Dept. has started picking up leaves and half of a load is at the old Highway Garage lot if anyone would like to go get them.

d) John Conley, Fire Dept.:

- 7 runs since the last meeting.
- Quote from Robson for \$652.05 for nonstations was introduced. They are for the church sign donated to the department by Silver Lake Wesleyan church to get it operational. Nichole gave first motion, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.
- Touch a truck fundraiser went well.
- The department asked if the town would like to match the department's allocation for toys for tots. Tonya said she hasn't done appropriation transfers so right now the answer is no. She asked the council to table it until the next meeting. The council agreed.
- The department found another truck and it is in Kansas City. John explained about the truck, the asking price and the offer the department gave. The truck will not be available until spring of 2024 and will not come with a light tower or a compressed air foam system (CAFS) system. Jean asked if one is needed. John said yes and no, you won't need it until you need it, and the situation may be a rare one that you do need it, but it does happen. John asked the council if they would be willing to pay for the trip (air travel) to get there. Jean asked why they don't drive, Tonya said that it would cost just as much due to hotel and extra meal costs. It would be faster to fly. Jean asked why the town was asked to pay for the trip when the

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department does fundraising. John said to ask the firemen in the back and Addison responded to the question (was unable to hear his response). Hugh asked about mileage and Joey responded 27,000.00. Hugh said that isn't bad. Jean said to ask Tonya if the trip could be paid for by the town. Tonya said equipment money would be used to pay and she also stated if a truck wasn't purchased by 2024 the truck allocation would go back into reserve. Nichole made the first motion for the department to go look at the truck and make an offer, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, the motion carried.

VIII. CLAIM DOCKET:

\$150839.79 in **claims** to be paid. Jean made the first motion, Nichole seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

IX. LETTERS:

Jeff Waldon submitted a leak adjustment letter. He qualified for \$305.97 off water and \$0 off sewer. Nichole made the first motion to adjust the bill, Jean seconded, Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

X. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a) **October 25, 2023, at 5:00pm** is the **2024 Budget Adoption meeting** at the Silver Lake Town Hall.
- b) **November 8, 2023, at 7:00pm** is the next **town council meeting** at the Silver Lake Town Hall.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Adjournment came at **7:46pm** with Nichole making first motion, Jean seconded and Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

HUGH MURFIN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

TONYA CONLEY, CLERK-TREASURER