

**Town of Silver Lake
Council Public Meeting Minutes
Silver Lake Town Hall
February 12, 2025
7:00pm**

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- II. ROLL CALL: All present
ELECTED OFFICIALS
Hugh Murfin, Nichole Taylor, Jean Weller (absent), Tonya Conley
DEPARTMENT HEADS
Jason McGlennen, Joey McNeal, John Conley
TOWN ATTORNEY
C. Austin Rovenstine

- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - January 8, 2025, Meeting Minutes
Nichole made the first motion to approve, Hugh seconded it and all in favor, motion carried. Meeting minutes for January 8, 2025, approved.

- IV. Old Business:
 - a) Live Streaming Public Meetings- Hugh informed those present that a camera and microphone had been purchased to start live streaming public council meetings. Tonya stated that she and Jennifer were going to do a trial run at the March meeting so any issues could be worked through prior to the July '25 mandatory deadline.
 - b) Employee Handbook Meeting will be scheduled for February 26th at 2:30pm to go over the overtime policy discussed at the January meeting. Tonya will send advertisements to the news outlets.

- V. New Business:
 - a) Land Donation/Resolution was explained by Hugh. The Kerlin family is donating land for the proposed community center. The Kerlin's and council discussed terms of the agreement and the council will accept or deny the agreement in the March meeting. Hugh asked if anyone

- had questions or concerns, none were given. Hugh detailed some of the agreement. Tonya will add this to the March agenda.
- b) Phase 1 Environmental Study was brought before the council for approval. SES submitted a quote for \$2000.00 for 3.5 acres and \$2500.00 for all 10+ acres. This study is conducive for the construction of the community center. Nichole made first motion to accept the contract for \$2500.00 (10+ acres), Hugh seconded and all in favor, motion carried.
 - c) Exmark Lawn Mower quote was submitted by Joe McNeal for \$12,000.00 with trade in and a mark down of \$500 if ordered in February. The council approved the purchase with Nichole making the first motion, Hugh seconded and all in favor, motion carried.
 - d) Leary Construction submitted a 10-year contract for water tower services. The annual cost is \$9310.00. Nichole made the first motion to approve, Hugh seconded and all in favor, the contract was approved.
 - e) Semi overnight parking was brought to the table to figure out if something, if anything, about semis parking in residential areas overnight with engines running. Tonya had received a complaint, and she told the individual that she would bring it to the council meeting for discussion. Jason McGlennen, Town Marshal, stated that there was nothing that could be done unless a revised noise ordinance was done. Hugh stated he would talk with the business and ask them to have the semi's park on the other side so that maybe the building could cushion the sound. Nichole mentioned driving time for semi drivers and mandatory rest. Tonya stated she understood both sides, but it is a residential area and needs to be addressed and comprisable solution. Hugh stated again that he will speak with the business.

VI. Citizen Comments/Concerns:

Rachel Miner asked about the trash service. A discussion took place about the contract and pick-up.

Johnnie Hanger asked about dredging the channel on Eldora. Tonya stated it wasn't scheduled but she would try to get ahold of the DNR and speak to them about it. The DNR will be working on the dam this year.

VII. Report of Department Heads:

a.) Jason McGlennen, Marshal Dept.:

- 4 applicants submitted for the Deputy Marshal position. Jason asked for a range of pay to offer. He asked the council if they would like to be involved in the interview. They answered yes. Jason will set up the interview.

b.) Joey McNeal, Water Dept.:

- Joey asked Tonya if she gave the council the meter quote for the dam and she stated she didn't receive anything. Joey said he would email it to her.
- Hugh asked about Chris's testing for his water license. Joey stated that paperwork has been turned into IDEM and they are awaiting a test date.

c.) John Conley, Fire Dept.:

- 6 runs

VIII. Claim Docket:

- \$145197.10- February '25 Claim Docket

Nichole made the first motion, Hugh seconded it and Hugh all in favor, the claim docket was approved.

IX. Leak Letters: Plemmons

Warner qualified for a water adjustment of \$307.61, and a sewer adjustment of \$197.87. Leak is fixed

Nichole made the first motion, Hugh seconded and all in favor, adjustment was granted as calculated.

X. Miscellaneous:

Next Regular Meeting March 12, 2025, at the Town Hall.

XI. Adjournment:

The adjournment came at 7:41 pm with Nichole making the first motion, Hugh seconded and Hugh all in favor, motion carried.

HUGH MURFIN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

TONYA CONLEY, CLERK-TREASURER