



TOWN OF SILVER LAKE

South Street Vacation

Public Hearing Minutes

February 11, 2026-7:00 PM

Silver Lake Town Hall, 604 N Jefferson St.

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED AT: 7:00 PM

PRESENT:

- a) Elected Members: Medard (Hugh) Murfin, Nichole Taylor, Gloria (Jean) Weller, Tonya Conley
- b) Department Heads: Jason McGlennen, Joey McNeal, John Conley
- c) Attorney: Austin Rovenstine

SOUTH STREET VACATION:

In December 2025, the council received a petition from David and Lois Basham requesting the vacation of an unimproved South St. After much discussion at the meeting and remonstrations from Jeff Dotson, the council tabled the issue and asked the attorneys for both sides to come together to reach a compromise on the vacation. This public hearing continued the original hearing and came before the council. Rama Sobhani, Attorney for the Bashams, stated that both attorneys have reached a compromise and would agree to a partial vacation, including the house plus a foot and a half on the south side. This would leave access to the property behind. Regarding the fencing and shed in the public way, it was time to assess and reach an agreement to relocate the obstacles. Jeff discussed other areas in town that were the same as South St. in terms of width. Hugh mentioned that the law changed around 2023; therefore, those who were in that category were grandfathered in. He went on to say that it probably wasn't paid close attention to the boundaries and assumed much of Indiana is the same way. Mr. Sobhani will submit a petition for the agreed vacation for the March 11th meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS/CONCERNS:

No citizens spoke.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:

Nichole made the first motion to close the hearing at 7:03 PM. Jeanie made the second motion, and Hugh made the all in favor; the motion carried.

Medard Murfin, Council President

Tonya Conley, Clerk-Treasurer