

Minutes
Silver Lake City Council
Regular Meeting
July 6, 2021
Silver Lake Auditorium

Mayor Bebo called the regular meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Members present: Mayor Bruce Bebo, Councilor Josh Winfrey, Councilor Chris Penaz, Councilor Michelle Schneider, Councilor Sandy Adams-Bruins

Staff present: Karissa Kurth

Others present: Karin Ramige, Jeff Konen, Sheriff Tim Lagenfeld, Chief Deputy Ward

Motion by Winfrey second by Schneider to approve the agenda. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve minutes from June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Approve Payroll 13, 14, and Quarter #2
3. Claims to be paid: \$56025.38 (7/2/21)

Motion by Penaz second by Schneider to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Comment – No comment given.

Old Business

1. Main Street Lot Update. Jeff Konen from Konen Homes presented the council with a concept drawing for the building he would like to put on the Main Street Lots. Mr. Konen requested another 60 day extension to do more research and get more definite plans together.
Motion by Penaz second by Adams-Bruins to approve Konen Home schematics on the Main Street lots. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.
2. SEH Engineering Report. USDA project moving forward. Infrastructure Committee will be meeting in the future for updates to report back to council.

New Business

1. McLeod County Sheriff Tim Lagenfeld discussed the current Sheriff's Department contract with the council and the coverage hours for Silver Lake. New deputies have been hired by McLeod County and are working on completing their training. Blight properties were discussed and how the Sheriff's Department handles the process.
2. Request for Council action for approval for Jackie Kern to start training as EMT. *Motion by Adams-Bruins second by Schneider to approve Jackie Kern to start training as an EMT. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.*
3. Municipal Liquor Store Manager Resignation.

Motion by Schneider second by Adams-Bruins to accept the resignation of the current liquor store manager Darrell Kaczmarek. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. Request for Council action to approve Michael Blackwood for hire. *Motion by Schneider second by Adams-Bruins to accept the request to approve Michael Blackwood for hire as part-time bartender at the starting wage of \$10.79 per hour pending background check and drug test. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.*
5. Council discussion for advertising for the Municipal Liquor Store Manager position. *Motion by Penaz second by Schneider to advertise for the opening of the Liquor Store Manager job until July 23rd. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.*
6. American Rescue Plan. Deputy Clerk Kurth gave an update that funds have been applied for but the exact amount the city will be receiving is still unknown.
7. Deputy Clerk Annual Review. Council gave Deputy Clerk Kurth's annual review. *Motion by Penaz second by Schneider that Deputy Clerk's \$4 increase per hour not to exceed 3 months after the new Clerk starts and evaluate it monthly. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried. Motion by Penaz second by Schneider to approve a 2 step increase to \$19.75 per hour and retain Deputy Clerk. Vote for: Penaz, Schneider, Adams-Bruins, Bebo. Vote against: Winfrey. Motion carried.*

Open Discussion

1. Councilor Adams-Bruins discussed she will be attending the upcoming Ambulance Department meeting to see how things are going
2. Mayor Bebo reported on David Broll and developing the 3rd phase on the east edge of town. There are no definite plans at this point but Mr. Broll just wants to start the conversation and will come to a future council meeting.
3. Discussion about the EDA fund and how it can help new businesses
4. Hiring committee for the Municipal Liquor Store Manager will be Deputy Clerk Kurth, Councilor Schneider, and a representative from the Minnesota Municipal Beverage Association.

Motion by Winfrey second by Penaz to adjourn this regular meeting of the Silver Lake City Council. Vote for: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Karissa Kurth, Clerk/Treasurer

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