**CITY OF SILVER GROVE, KENTUCKY**

 **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**July 13,2023**

The regular meeting of the Silver Grove City Council was held on Thursday, July 13, 2023 at the Silver Grove City Building, 308 Oak Street, Silver Grove, Kentucky 41085.

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Bedel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Lord’s Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**Roll Call:**

Roll call was answered by Mayor Neal Bedel, Attorney Steve Dasenbrock, Treasurer Jerry Pelle, Councilman Joe Pelle, Councilwoman Rachel Cooper, Councilwoman Jennifer Trapp, and Councilwoman Jill Fessler.

Councilman Herb Rardin:

* Not in attendance

**Visitors/Guests:**

* Phil Sauerbeck, officer of St. Vincent DePaul from St. Philip Church, attended the meeting to ask the city to contact Tank asking them to consider a bus route through Silver Grove. He stated they have assisted 45 addresses in Silver Grove this fiscal year and 95% are renters. Many are in need of transportation. Mayor Bedel stated the city would send a letter to Tank.
* Keith Hammann introduced himself and stated he is the newly appointed fire marshal for Campbell County Fire District 1and Melbourne Volunteer Fire Department. He stated he is responsible for fire and life safety inspections within the two districts.
* Asif Sharfi and Brenda, owners of 4936 Mary Ingles Hwy, discussed their plans for the property. He passed out business cards and a sample of his plum bbq sauce and asked for feedback on how it tastes.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Upon motion of Councilwoman Trapp seconded by Councilwoman Cooper to approve the Minutes of June 1, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. Mayor Bedel called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Reports Presented:**

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Public Works Activity Report for June 2023 Code Enforcement Activity Report for June 2023 Police Department Activity Report for June 2023 Financial Report Prof. & Loss Budg. Vs. Actual through June 2023 Community & Economic Director Activity Report for June 2023

**Upon motion of Councilwoman Fessler seconded by Councilman Pelle to approve treasurers report subject to audit. Mayor Bedel called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Upon motion of Councilwoman Trapp seconded by Councilwoman Cooper to approve the June bills. Mayor Bedel called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Attorney’s Report:**  Attorney Dasenbrock presented **Ordinance No. 23-0701: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Consisting Of A Parcel Of Approximately 14 Acres Parcel IV, St. Anne Convent And Adjacent To The City Limits. [First Reading]**

**Old Business:**

* **Justin Verst, Viox & Viox, Project Updates:**
* **Route 8 Phase 2**- KYTC issued the right of way certification and gave the requirements they are going to enforce for inspections. Bid specifications are being prepared to submit to KYTC for review.
* **Ash Street**- SD1 replaced their dead trees around Ash Street Tank. The sign for the rain garden is in production. Planning to have it installed in time for a dedication at the Vintage Baseball game.
* **East First Street**- The topo survey is done. Working on street layout and water main alignment. The street grading is proving to be tricky, as expected. Water main alignment (under the north sidewalk) will be submitted to NKWD for initial review. Will continue to work on street grades and drainage for south side yards. Will probably bid the water main out for NKWD to be constructed in advance of the street. Will probably need to have a couple utility poles relocated for the street to fit.

**New Business:**

* None.

**Comments:**

**Councilman Pelle:**

* Stated Ben Mason and Rick Carr, Mason Carr Engineering, said the flood signs put up in the city are helping homeowners obtain LOMA’s and helping flood insurance rates go down.

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**Councilwoman Cooper:**

* Stated she got a free AED defibrillator with the help of Eric Noble. It will go in the equipment room, will need new batteries in the next six months and will need to be put in the city building when it gets below freezing.
* Asked if the FD1 contract was signed. Attorney Dasenbrock stated he has to talk to Mayor Bedel on a few things before it is completely finished.

**Councilwoman Trapp:**

* Asked if the pond was open to the public and if signs were going to be posted since the city owns it now. Mayor Bedel stated he doesn’t want to announce it publicly until a parking lot is put in. He wants to move forward as it has been for now.
* Asked about a date for the Christmas Tree Lighting. The event will be held Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

**Councilwoman Fessler:**

* Stated the oak tree on Linden Street has dropped wood at least four times and is big enough to fall on a house and/or in the road, if it happens again. The cost from Kremer Tree Service to take it down is $6,800. Mayor Bedel stated DJ Skully from the Campbell County Extension office said the tree wasn’t dead but he was fine with having Kremer tree service trimming whatever is dead or dangerous.
* Stated there is a website airnow.gov run by the epa that tells what the air quality is.
* Stated the Campbell County Farm Tour is July 15th.
* Stated both Green Valley and Lakview Mobile Home Park passed their inspection by the Northern Kentucky Health Department in June. Green Valley is utilizing 51 of the 58 permitted lots. Lakeview is utilizing 38 of the 73 permitted lots.
* Stated she attended the Campbell County School Board Meeting where they voted to dispose of two pieces of property not attached to the school (one by Cline and the other in Silver Grove).
* Thanked everyone who helped with the Touch a Truck. She stated it was a good turn out and went very well.

**Councilman Rardin:**

* Not in attendance.

**Mayor Bedel:**

* Stated he would like to use the rest of ARPA funds on something the city normally wouldn’t spend money on.
* Stated the four citizens interested in the open council seat will receive a questionnaire to fill out. They will also sit down with council in the next few weeks and talk to them

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before a decision is made. The questionnaire will be turned into city clerk Ronda Sandfoss and she will set up the interview time slots.

* Mayor Bedel presented Jerry Pelle with a plaque thanking him for 30 years as treasurer for the City of Silver Grove.

**Upon motion of Councilwoman Trapp seconded by Councilwoman Cooper to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Bedel called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. The next meeting of the Silver Grove Council will be held on August 3, 2023.

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