**CITY OF SILVER GROVE, KENTUCKY**

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**September 7,2023**

The regular meeting of the Silver Grove City Council was held on Thursday, September 7, 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, Treasurer Jerry Pelle, Councilwoman Rachel Cooper, Councilwoman Jennifer Trapp, Councilman Justin Imhoff, Councilwoman Jill Fessler and Councilman Herb Rardin.

Attorney Steve Dasenbrock:

* Not in attendance

Attorney Cody Dalton filled in for Steve Dasenbrock.

Councilman Joe Pelle joined the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Visitors/Guests:**

* Tiffany Snowball, owner of Snowball Pest Control, was presented a “Beautification Award” plaque by Mayor Bedel for their outstanding landscaping.
* Grady Brown, read a letter from Jim and Jeanie Remley expressing their appreciation for him honoring the 1956 Silver Grove Baseball Team at the Vintage Baseball Game and the love they have for the City of Silver Grove.
* Will Weber, president of Southbank Partners, gave an update on Riverfront Commons. He stated a Raise Grant was awarded for the planning and designing of it. The local match for the City of Silver Grove will be $143,000 by February 1, 2024 and $143,000 by August 1, 2024. Mayor and council will discuss it and let him know.
* Chief Sorrell of the Campbell County Police Department stated he hadn’t been to a meeting in awhile. He just wanted to stop in to make everything was going good and the city was happy with their service.

**Approval of Minutes:**

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**Upon motion of Councilwoman Cooper seconded by Councilwoman Trapp to approve the Minutes of August 3, 2023 Regular Council Meeting. Mayor Bedel called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Reports Presented:**

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

Jerry Pelle went over the 2023 tax rate calculations. Councilwoman Fessler made a motion, second by Councilman Pelle to take the compensating rate for 2023 Real Estate Tax (.185) and also the compensating rate for 2023 Personal Property Tax (.150). All were in favor.

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

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

**Attorney’s Report:**  Attorney Dalton presented **Resolution No. 23-0901: A Resolution Confirming The Awarding Of A Non –Exclusive Franchise To Duke Energy Kentucky For A Term Of Three (3) Years For The Transmission And Distribution Of Either Or Both Natural Gas And Electricity Through And For The Consumption Within The City Of Silver Grove.**

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**Mayor Bedel called for a vote.**

**Councilman Pelle - Yea Councilwoman Cooper - Yea Councilwoman Trapp - Yea Councilman Imhoff - Yea Councilwoman Fessler- Yea Councilman Rardin- Yea**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Attorney Dalton presented **Ordinance No. 23-0901: Levying and Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year of 2023 on All Property Real and Personal in the City of Silver Grove, KY,**

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**Establishing the Rates Therefore and Adopting the Campbell County Tax Commissioner’s Assessment on said Property and providing for a Tax Lien Against All Taxable Property in City of Silver Grove, KY, to Secure the Payment of Said Taxes. The Rate of Taxation for the City of Silver Grove, KY, for year 2023 shall be .185 percent of each $100 of Assessed Valuation for Real Estate, .150 percent of each $100 of Assessed Valuation for other Personal Property and .206 percent of each $100 of Assessed Valuation of Motor Vehicles and Motor Boats . All of said amount shall be and is hereby taxed for the General Fund of the City. [First Reading]**

**Upon motion of Councilman Pelle seconded by Councilwoman Cooper to approve Ordinance No. 23-0901: Levying and Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year of 2023 on All Property Real and Personal in the City of Silver Grove, KY, Establishing the Rates Therefore and Adopting the Campbell County Tax Commissioner’s Assessment on said Property and providing for a Tax Lien Against All Taxable Property in City of Silver Grove, KY, to Secure the Payment of Said Taxes. The Rate of Taxation for the City of Silver Grove, KY, for year 2023 shall be .185 percent of each $100 of Assessed Valuation for Real Estate, .150 percent of each $100 of Assessed Valuation for other Personal Property and .206 percent of each $100 of Assessed Valuation of Motor Vehicles and Motor Boats . All of said amount shall be and is hereby taxed for the General Fund of the City. [First Reading]**

**Mayor Bedel called for a vote.**

**Councilman Pelle - Yea Councilwoman Cooper - Yea Councilwoman Trapp - Yea Councilman Imhoff - Yea Councilwoman Fessler- Yea Councilman Rardin- Yea**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Old Business:**

* **Justin Verst, Viox & Viox, Project Updates:**
* **Route 8 Phase 2**- Duke Energy has installed the new poles, still waiting on the encroachment permit, working on the inspection plan and filled out the application for the storm drains.
* **Ash Street**- The rain garden is looking good and doing well.
* **East First Street**- Duke Energy will need to move a couple utility poles. Plans have been submitted to the water district for the new water line. The tentative schedule is for the water line to go out to bid the end of October, the water line finished by the end of December, bid the street out November through January and construction begin in the spring.

**New Business:**

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* The Rumpke waste fee will be $282 per household on the 2023 tax bills.

**Comments:**

**Councilman Rardin:**

* No comment.

**Councilwoman Fessler:**

* Provided an update on ARPA expenses. She stated there is roughly around $100,000 left.
* Provided everyone a copy regarding “Municipal Road Aid” and asked everyone to contact Mike Clines and Shelley Frommeyer to ask for a raise in annual funds to our city.

**Councilman Imhoff:**

* Stated he brought a gift (soap his wife made) for everyone.

**Councilwoman Trapp:**

* Stated she would like city Facebook users to use spell check before posting something.
* Stated she thinks the Reach Alert should only be used for emergencies in the city.

**Councilwoman Cooper:**

* Stated the the 100 block of West Third Street that is one way can only have parking on one side of the street in order for fire trucks to get through.

**Councilman Pelle:**

* No comment.

**Mayor Bedel:**

* Stated he was having lunch Friday September, 8th with the One NKY Alliance. They are working on education and health issues for the Alliance.
* Stated he is meeting with FD#1 Wednesday September 13th at 7:00p.m. regarding the lease agreement.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m. The next meeting of the Silver Grove Council will be held on October 5, 2023.

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