

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

January 18, 2010

Mayor Rick Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. Present on roll call: Grimley, Ballantyne, Neff, Shebetka and Gerdemann. Also present: Chuck Lange, Arlene Willmott, Bonnie Fuhrman, Mike and Dixie Brady, Dave Kelley, Steven H. Shaffer, Jim Koppenhaver, Al and Kim Wittenburg, Brad Wilson, Paul Haskell, Doug Beard and Deputy Pavelka.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Shebetka, second by Gerdemann to approve the consent agenda as posted. All ayes, motion carried.

Citizen's With Concerns Not on the Agenda: none.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Pavelka gave the patrol report for January 4th thru January 18, 2010. December hours of service: 137.60. The Deputy noted the written report was incomplete due to the office being moved back to Cedar Rapids.

Maintenance: There was a water main break January 12th on 4th Avenue. Todd noticed the break immediately and the guys had the main repaired and the hole filled by 7:30 p.m. The street will need to be patched and 25 feet of curb replaced in the spring. Chuck updated the US Census Boundary Map. He is also working on J-Turn intersection maps for the DOT. The City has a forced main under Hwy. 151. Chuck will attend a contractors meeting in late January. The guys got a tree out of the creek at Graham Park, with another one needing to be pulled out. There is also a log jam by the sub-station to be cleared out. Tree trimming will start soon. There are electrical issues at the shop. Chuck was welding and the guys noticed smoke coming out of the computer. Hody Gates will be contacted to check out the shop electrical system.

Mayor: Mayor Heeren spoke on the budget process. Heeren noted factors used in developing a budget; goal setting, prioritizing and availability of funds. Rick would like the Council to consider adding the Pledge of Allegiance to the meeting agendas. The request will be an agenda item at the February 1st meeting.

Clerk: Bixler noted the following reports: Library Board minutes and December finance report, QTD Park and Fire Department finance reports, Board of Adjustment minutes and the 2010 committees and appointments.

Jim Koppenhaver was present representing the Cemetery Committee. He reported on cemetery work that was completed in 2009 and projects for 2010.

The finance committee will meet on January 25th at 5:00 pm.

The personnel committee met on January 15th and need to set a date for their next meeting.

Old Business

Nuisance Abatement: Mayor Heeren reported he stopped by Atty. Taylor's office, but Mr. Taylor was not in the office at that time. Taylor has been busy with other items and has not gotten to the 173 Broadway research or review of the documents involved with building inspection services with the City of Marion. Rick left a message for Taylor to contact him.

Attorney Update on Review of Documents for Building Inspection Contract Service with City of Marion: tabled due to no report.

New Business:

Haiti Relief: representative not present.

Community Center Rental Request: A group has contacted City Hall with a request to rent the Community Center each Saturday on a yearly basis. Bixler noted the Community Center is rented often on Saturdays for family gatherings, showers, graduations etc..... The organization would be willing to meet on Friday evenings if Saturday rental was a problem. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Neff to approve permanent Friday evening rental of the Community Center for the organization. All ayes, motion carried.

Snow Emergency Route: Councilman Shebetka noted many cars remain parked on Broadway Street and city parking lots during snow storms and subsequent snow removal. He would like to see the city enact a snow emergency route. Discussion was held on the fact this was an agenda item last winter. Bixler found minutes from the December 15, 2009 council meeting showing an ordinance pertaining to snow routes was rescinded and sent to the policy committee for revision. The policy committee will meet to review the snow route material from last winter.

J-Turn Intersection: Many citizens were present for discussion on the DOT proposed J-Turn intersection on Hwy. 151. Citizens asked for council opinion on the proposed intersection. Council felt there were dangers in the J-Turn proposal and believed there were alternatives to the J-Turn intersection that would increase safety of the intersection. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Neff to draft a letter to the IDOT objecting to the J-Turn intersection proposal. All ayes, motion carried.

Benton/Linn Wireless Lease Agreement: Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Gerdemann directing the Mayor sign a new lease with Iowa Wireless Services L.L.C. due to the fact the assets of Benton/Linn Wireless L.L.C. have been transferred to this company. All ayes, motion carried.

Ordinance #6-2009: AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2006 EDITION AND THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, 2006 EDITION AND PROVIDING PENALTIES. No action.

Motion was made by Neff, second by Ballantyne to approve **Resolution #02-2010 & #2A-2010; A CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION FOR EXCHANGE STATE BANK AND SECURITY STATE BANK.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Ballantyne, second by Shebetka to approve the first reading of **Ordinance #1-2010: AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AN EAST WEST ALLEY THAT INTERSECTS LOTS 1 & 2 AND LOTS 3 & 4 OF BLOCK 13 OF THE CITY OF SPRINGVILLE, IOWA.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Neff, second by Ballantyne to approve the first reading of **Ordinance #2-2010: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGVILLE, IOWA BY ADDING A NEW SECTION LIMITING PARKING TO THE EAST SIDE OF 8th STREET.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: the Clerk provided information on new gender balanced boards requirements for cities and IAMU training sessions. Mayor Heeren reported on his research for the possibility of the City providing its' own protection services by employing a police officer. Council asked that the item be put on the next agenda.

The next meeting of the Springville City Council is set for **February 1, 2010.**

Motion by Neff, second by Gerdemann to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

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