

## **SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

### **July 25, 2011**

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Grimley, Miller, Ballantyne, Ralston and Shebetka. Also present: , Doug Beard, Brian Gehl, Todd Wyman, Joel Rochleau, Susan Cooper, Chris Jacobs, Dave Haugen, Chris Janson, Dean Spina, Marc Whitman, John Tuthill, Gordon Bowser, David Bowser, Karen Taylor, Shawn Stone, Steve Lemense, Mitch Meythaler, PJ Hoyt, K O'Brien, Kim Donaldson, Cecil Capper and Deputy Lemense.

Mayor Heeren opened the Public Hearing on Consideration of an Annexation Application. Mayor Heeren read a letter from B&C Materials, LLC notifying the City of its' withdrawal of request for voluntary annexation. Mayor Heeren closed the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion was made by Grimley, second by Ralston to approve the consent agenda as posted. All ayes motion carried.

**Citizens with Concerns Not on the Agenda:** Shawn Stone reported on a drainage problem on 5<sup>th</sup> Street of rain water not draining into the gutter but into his driveway. During the recent hard rainstorm the flowing water has caused the gravel from the school to pile up in his driveway and against the garage. The constant drainage has lowered his concrete 4" and tilted the concrete pad to the corner of his house. They are also getting water in the basement and water pooling and freezing in the winter. Discussion was also held that the flowing water is damaging the street. Todd will check this out and have a discussion with the school to see how this can be resolved.

Roger would like the clerk to look into an ordinance establishing a truck route and weight embargos on other city streets.

**Sheriff's Report:** Deputy Lemense gave the patrol report for hours of service from July 11, 2011 through July 20, 2011. There were 32 calls for service. June hours of service: 89.80.

**Mayor:** Attended Linn County EMA meeting on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. Reported on correspondence via e-mail with the group lowans for Post Office Services and the effects closing of post offices across Iowa has on the citizens of each city.

Maintenance report consisted of: limbs in 3 trees in the city right of way fell during the last storm and also some tree damage at the cemetery. All of the trees in the city ROW have had previous trimming and Todd feels they should all come down. He will get bids for removal of those 3 trees and trimming of the ones in the cemetery. The new JD lawn tractor is being used already and Todd invited all council members to come and see the new mower. Todd spoke with the council on a problem with a single water service line supplying 2 residential homes. One of the homes is for sale and the realty company inadvertently shut the water off at that residence causing both residences to be without water. This problem has occurred in several other places in the City and public works is fixing the problem as each situation presents itself. The guard balusters at the yard waste site have been installed and just need cement put in them. Todd was questioned as to the feasibility of water service to the Gazebo anytime soon. The water line to the gazebo cannot be located and short of digging there is no other answer at this time. Todd related that if a dig is needed he would prefer it be done next year due to the sewer project being in full swing at this time. Robin requested that Graham Park be scarified again this year. Robin and Todd will look at putting smaller rock in some of the worst holes as it seems to be holding better.

**Other Reports:** July 21, 2011 P&Z minutes were provided to the council.

## **Old Business**

**Nuisance Abatement – 173 Broadway Disposition of Property:** Bixler requested guidance from the council on how to proceed with sale of the 173 Broadway property. There is approximately \$6,000 worth of attorney fees to date on the abatement of the property. Consensus was there would be a minimum bid requirement of \$10,000 with removal and cleanup of the property within 60 days of the sale. Atty. Taylor will be contacted for further guidance on procedures to continue with the sale of the property.

**Elite Developers Tax Abatement Program:** no new information.

## **New Business**

**Refinance Bids:** Bids for refinance of current city debt were received from Exchange State Bank at 2.975%, Security State Bank at 3.10% and Ruan Securities at 2.328215%. Discussion was held on varying aspects of the refinance including the amount needed for the joint purchase of a fire truck with Brown Township. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Miller to enter into an agreement for refinancing the current city debt and to include \$97,033 in new debt for the joint purchase of a fire truck with Brown Township. All ayes, motion carried. Final decision on designation of a financial institution to proceed with the refinance will be decided at the next council meeting.

**Gazebo Rental:** Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Ballantyne approving rental of the Gazebo to the public with the same rental regulations as those used for the Cox Lake Pavilion. All ayes, motion carried

**MSA Professional Service:** Dave Haugen and Chris Janson were present to give updates on the sewer improvement project. Dave reported on the status of the project and Chris reviewed CDBG and SRF requirements. Todd noted that part of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue would be torn up as part of the project and repair of the street was bid as seal chip. Todd had Connolly rebid the street repair using asphalt instead. Street repair/upgrades are to be funded by LOST revenue. Staff will meet with Haugen to go over those estimates and come up with a cost projection.

## **Fun Days:**

**Close Yard Waste Site:** Motion was made by Ballantyne, second by Miller to close the yard waste site from Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. to Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

**Close Broadway:** Motion was made by Ballantyne, second by Shebetka to close Broadway for the street dance and Legion supper on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. and reopen the Broadway at 2:00 a.m. on August 14<sup>th</sup>. All ayes, motion carried.

**Kurt Gillette, Alley Behind Telephone Office and Curb at 203 Broadway:** no one present.

**Daryl Pearson, Request to Waive Sewer Tap Fee:** Pearson has requested hookup to the city sewer system for his garage. Project construction is taking place in that area and Connolly Construction has quoted Pearson a price for connecting to the city system. Todd noted there would be no city digging, materials or inspection for the hookup since all that work would be performed by Connolly Construction and recommended the fee be waived. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Ralston to waive the \$200 sewer tap fee for Daryl Pearson. All ayes, motion carried.

**Appointment:** Motion was made by Ralston, second by Ballantyne to appoint Daryl McCall to fill the vacant Library Board seat for the remaining term. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Miller approving **Resolution #24-2011; Butler Park Gazebo Dedication Proclamation**. Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Grimley, second by Shebetka approving **Resolution #25-2011; A Resolution to Fix a Date for a Public Hearing on A Sewer Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement..** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Grimley, second by Shebetka approving **Resolution #26-2011; A Resolution to Fix a Date for a Public Hearing on a GO Loan Agreement in a Principal Amount not to Exceed \$1,125,000.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried.

**Correspondence:** none.

Next regular council meeting **August 8, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**

Motion by Shebetka, second by Miller to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*City Clerk*

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*Mayor*

*\*\*minutes not official until approved by City Council*