

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

September 12, 2011

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Grimley, Miller, Ralston and Shebetka. Ballantyne was absent. Also present: Doug Beard, Todd Wyman, Lyle Anderson, Sheryl Weld, Linda Nelson, Mat Sauer, Joe Elsinger and Deputies Mast and Pavelka.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Shebetka second by Miller to approve the consent agenda with the exception of the finance report. All ayes motion carried.

Citizens with Concerns Not on the Agenda: none

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Pavelka gave the patrol report for hours of service from August 22, 2011 through September 12, 2011. There were 31 calls for service. July hours of service: 98.4.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Heeren read a proclamation in remembrance of the signing of the Constitution on September 17, 1787. Rick also reported on attending the NEIRL meeting on "Smart Growth" practices for cities.

Maintenance Report: Todd reported the new truck is in use and they are just waiting for a call from the sign company to put the "Springville" logo on the cab door. The truck purchase came in under budget and the City saved \$600 in purchasing a 2011 model versus a 2012 model. The Exmark mower is in the shop again. It needs the third electric clutch in the 600 hours the City has owned it. There have been several updates on the mower that have not been done due to lack of communication on Rexco Equipment's part. Lyle Anderson of Green Valley Ag and Turf was present with a quote for a new John Deere lawn mower. Further discussion on the purchase of a mower will take place at the next council meeting. The storm sewer at the high school has been fixed; a new 14 foot pipe was installed. The downtown lines have been painted with 10' stalls. Todd noted they should have been 12' stalls. MSI has the equipment to fix the cracks in the new pavement. This should be done in the fall for a better seal. They would need to quote a price should the council decide to proceed. Water and sewer infrastructure is going in in the new development. Jim Leighton of Shoemaker and Halaand is performing construction observation for the City. Discussion was held on the tree in front of the Folken residence. The root ball was severely cut during digging for the sewer project and it is questionable if the tree can survive. It may have to be removed. Pastor John will be asked to take a look at the tree.

Other Reports: The following reports were provided for the Council: August OT report, August building permits, a GO bond debt service cost comparison provided by Ruan Securities and the August 2nd Library Board meeting minutes. Brown Township Trustee Clerk Kim Donaldson provided an insurance quote on the 1998 Alexis Fire Truck from the townships insurance agent that is much lower than what the City currently pays. In comparing the 2 policies it looked as if there was a difference in coverage. The clerk will contact the City's insurance agent to review the quote. Cedar Valley Humane Society provided the address of the Springville resident who called to have a kitten picked up that had been mauled by their dog. It was Council consensus not to pay the CVHS bill as it was not billed per the terms of the contract with the City. It has been 2 years since codification of the Springville Code and Bixler informed the Council that an update should be done. Bixler will get more information and a price quote from Iowa Codification for the next council meeting.

Roger reported on researching used pick-ups for sale for the Public Works Department, receiving rubber chips for the playground equipment to be installed by the Eagle Scouts and a \$1,000 grant for trees.

Old Business

Nuisance Abatement – 173 Broadway Disposition of Property: There were no bids received for the property. Council consensus was to put the property back out to bid with no provisions attached to the bid process. A new derelict building grant program is being funded by the DNR. ECICOG will be contacted for further information.

Elite Developers Tax Abatement Program: no new information.

New Business

5th Avenue Asphalt: Todd felt that asphalt replacement on the 906 feet of street that would need to be replaced due to the sewer project would be preferable to the sealcoat replacement listed on the project quote, but that the difference in price (\$38,369 for asphalt versus \$9,811 for 6" sealcoat) could not warrant that much of expenditure. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Miller to stay with the original bid for sealcoat repair on 5th Avenue. All ayes, motion carried.

Ford F350 Truck: Blue Book price on the truck without the box is \$7,000 to \$8,000. The snowplow is worth approximately \$1,000. Salesman Jackson recommended asking \$7,500 for the truck. Motion was made by Ralston, second by Grimley that Todd should write specs for advertising locally for the sale of the truck at this time. All ayes, motion carried.

Project Update: Joe Elsinger of MSA presented the field report for the weeks of August 22nd, August 29th and September 5th. It was noted the seeding job was unacceptable and Connolly Construction was aware of the fact it would need to be redone. Elsinger reported on dealing with the concerns of the resident at 160 5th Street North in reference to the storm water pipe that was installed as part of the project dumping excessive water flow that would drain into the creek abutting her property. Elsinger also explained the need for Change Order #2 in the amount of \$18,100 that was necessary for stabilization of the pipe (crossing creek) due to unsuitable soil encountered on 3rd Avenue. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Grimley approving Change Order #2. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Miller left at 8:30 p.m.

Community Center Janitorial: Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Ralston to approve Karen Anderson to clean the Community Center after Winter Farmer's Market at a fee of \$25 per time . All ayes, motion carried.

Sealcoat List: Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Grimley approving up to \$50,000 (as budgeted) for the 2011 sealcoat project with the PWD designating the street to be sealcoated. All ayes, motion carried.

Spring Meadows III Construction Observation Contract.: Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Grimley directing the Mayor to sign an agreement with Shoemaker and Haaland for Spring Meadows III construction observation for a fee ranging from \$5,000 to \$7,000. All ayes, motion carried.

Park Board: Motion was made by Grimley, second by Ralston for approval of Donna Hudson to serve a 2 year term on the Park Board. All ayes, motion carried.

Sidewalk List: Motion was made by Ralston, second by Grimley for Todd to seek bids on for 9 squares of residential sidewalk repair. All ayes, motion carried. Todd will also check into the broken sidewalk at the park, which will be added to the list if need be.

256 Broadway: Interested party has withdrawn intent for purchase of property. Friends of the Library Board will need 3 keys made for their section of the building.

Fire Truck Chaise Payment: Bixler noted the City's portion of funding for the new fire truck has been received from Ruan Securities, and upon conversation with Brown Township Clerk Kim Donaldson that the township would need to break a CD to make their portion of the chaise payment. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Grimley to make the entire payment due on the first installment of the new fire truck. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Ralston approving **Resolution #30-2011; A Resolution Finalizing the Execution of a \$403,000 Sewer Revenue Bond, Series 2011.** Roll call vote, Ballantyne and Miller absent. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Grimley, second by Ralston approving **Resolution #31-2011; A Resolution Declaring Necessity and Providing for Notice of Hearing on Proposed Revitalization Plan for Residential Property Tax Abatement.** Roll call vote, Ballantyne and Miller absent. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Grimley approving **Resolution #33-2011; Closing Certificate for \$1,070,000 Go Corporate Purpose and Refunding Bonds.** Roll call vote, Ballantyne and Miller absent. All ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence: Todd noted the NPDES sewer discharge permit has been approved permit.

Next regular council meeting **September 26, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**

Motion by Shebetka, second by Ralston to adjourn at 9:15 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

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