

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

March 12, 2012

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 pm at Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Grimley, Brady and Shebetka. Ralston was absent. Also present: Brandon French, Todd Wyman, Sarah Williams, Jeff Kramer, Daryl and Megan Pearson, Scout Troop #8270 and troop leaders; Lisa Stejskal, Katy Bragg and Deb Rothjons, Al Meyer, Cheryl Weld, Patrick Brady, Deb Nelson, Wanda Young, Rosalee Durate, Megan Slupe, Bob Tobin, Dave Haugen, Doug Beard, and Deputy Munier.

Mayor Heeren opened the public hearing on **Adoption of the Proposed FY 2012-13 Budget**. There being no one present who wished to speak and no written comment received Mayor Heeren closed the public hearing at 6:02 pm.

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

Citizens With Concerns Not on the Agenda: Cheryl Weld of the Friends of the Library spoke to the Council on their achievements so far this year. Friends of the Library have donated prizes for the annual Tea, refreshments for the Red Cedar Chamber event, sponsored Tumble Books and will sponsor the Easter Bunny event at the Library. Cheryl thanked the Council for providing space at 256 Broadway for their book sales and noted that they are up and running in their new location which is working out very well. They are open the same days and times that the Farmer's Market is held and will also be open for garage sale day.

Reports: Todd submitted a written maintenance report to the council consisting of: removing trees and brush along the old railroad ROW, water shut-offs, sewer collapse on John Street, hauled rock to citizens for off street parking and alleys, finished shelves at Community Center, hauled yard waste from the yard waste sight and assisted with a sewer line backup on Circle Drive. Pump #1 at the lift station is weeping at the seal on the shaft. The pump will need to be pulled and the seal replaced. If the shaft is okay the work will be completed in house. If the shaft is bad the pump may have to be sent to Cedar Rapids for repair. This won't be known until the pump is pulled and taken apart. Todd reported he felt that Brandon handled the week Todd was on vacation very well. He dealt with both MSA and Connolly Const. with the sewer line problem on John Street and was able to save expenses by working with Connolly on the repair. He also dealt with the small amount of snow fall very well. The guys will be working on pump #1 at the lift station, filling pot holes, posting street signs, try to start cutting tree limbs hanging over the streets and sidewalks and sweeping up the excess rock chip remaining from street projects last fall. Todd asked that citizens get the rock swept to the curb and the guys will come and sweep it up the first week of April.

Sheriff's Report: the patrol report was provided by Deputy Munier for hours of service from February 6, 2011 through March 12, 2012. There were 82 calls for service. February hours of service: 93.5.

The Council was provided with January and February finance reports for the Library and January 11th and February 7th Library Board minutes. Also, minutes of the February 9th SEDC meeting and the February overtime report. SEDC is not sales tax exempt and asked that the City pay the bill for the new "Welcome to Springville" sign. As it would save \$952 in sales tax, the City was agreeable to this arrangement. The Clerk spoke with the Council on "Data Compromise" insurance coverage for the City. The premium is \$420 for \$25,000 worth of coverage and up to \$1,219 for \$100,000 of coverage. Council discussion was held on the need for this option. Bixler reported that there were no problems to date with anyone hacking into the software

system and that \$25,000 worth of coverage was not enough should the City's computer system be compromised. Due to the expense for adequate coverage the Council decided not to seek coverage at this time.

Roger and Fire Chief Patrick Hoyt reported on the department's recommendation to change Springville's ambulance service from Linn Area Ambulance Service to Anamosa Ambulance Service. Patrick is gathering more information and when the time comes the request will be put on a council agenda.

Old Business:

173 Broadway: Mr. Lorimer and the City have come to an agreement on wording of the "Purchase and Indemnification Agreement" for the purchase of 173 Broadway and will move forward with the sale of the property.

Wanda Young Retaining Wall: Wanda Young has signed an agreement with the City for removal of the retaining wall that was built on her shared property line with Ed Sleep. Council discussion took place on the content of the agreement. Wanda Young presented the council with page 237, Chapter 50; Nuisance Abatement Procedure of the Springville City Code. Wanda asked for clarification of items #50.01 and #50.02(3). Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Brady directing Mayor Heeren to sign the agreement on behalf of the City. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

MSA, Sewer Project Pay Applications: Dave Haugen was present for an update on the sewer project. Connolly Construction has basically completed their part of the project with a small list of punch items to be completed. Dave recommended releasing the 5% retainage amount being held by the City. Motion by Brady, second by Shebetka to approve pay applications from Visu-Sewer and Connolly Construction for the sewer project and to release the 5% retainage amount to Connolly Construction. All ayes, motion carried.

Broadway Street Restoration: Bob Tobin and Megan Slupe of Shoemaker and Haaland and Jeff Kramer of NRG Sales were present for conversation with the council on the Broadway Street restoration project. Topics of discussion included: time frame of the project, lighting, storm sewers, sidewalk elevations and ADA requirements.

Sealcoating Bid: MSI submitted their bid for the FY 2012-13 street sealcoating. Mayor Heeren asked that more bids be sought for the project.

No Parking Signs for Wild Pine Court: Motion was made by Grimley, second by Shebetka directing the Clerk to prepare a no parking ordinance for the south side of Wild Pine Court. All ayes, motion carried.

4th Street Parking Issues: Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Brady directing the Clerk to prepare a no parking ordinance for the east side of 4th Street from 1st Avenue to Mill Street. All ayes, motion carried.

Tree Removal on 2nd Street in City ROW: Mike Brady requested the Public Works Department to look at a tree in the City ROW on 2nd Street. Todd reported the tree is dying and in poor shape with branches falling. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Grimley to remove the tree. Brady abstained, remaining ayes. Motion carried.

115 Circle Drive Sewer Backup: Discussion was held on the sewer backup at 115 Circle Drive due to tree roots in the homeowner's service line and the main. The home owner is asking for compensation for ruined carpet etc... The claim will be turned over to the City's insurance carrier.

Motion was made by Brady, second by Grimley to approve **Resolution #1-2012; A Resolution Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013.** Roll call vote; Ralston absent, remaining ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Heeren read a proclamation noting the **100th Anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the USA.**

Correspondence: DOT correspondence in reference to the US 151/X-20 intersection.

Next Meeting: March 19, 2012.

Motion by Brady, second by Shebetka to adjourn at 8:15 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

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