

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

December 03, 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, Shebetka, Brady, Ralston and Grimley. Also present: Doug Beard, Pat Hoyt, Steve Shaffer, Todd Wyman, Jack Clothier, Robin Ballantyne, PJ Hoyt, Chris Williams, Bill and Sharon Coons, Steve Carnahan, Jim Koppenhaver, Dave and Randy Kelly and Deputy Munier.

Mayor Heeren opened the **Public Hearing on the Proposal to Change Water Street to a One Way or Dead End Street:** the Public Hearing was opened at 6:05 pm. Steve Carnahan asked the reason for considering closing or dead ending Water Street. Pat Hoyt explained the history of Water Street as it pertains to his property. Discussion with and comments from the public continued. Mayor Heeren asked for further comment, there being none he closed the Public Hearing at 6:45 pm.

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

Citizens With Concerns Not on the Agenda: Steve Shaffer inquired as to why the town clock is not in running condition. Discussion continued on getting the clock fixed. Bixler will check the files for more information on the clock. Shaffer spoke on behalf of STPA. The organization would like to erect a memorial to Bill Cooper in Upper Butler Park. The request will be on the next agenda. It was requested that a representative of STPA attend the next meeting.

Tom Miller asked that recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance be put on the next council agenda.

John Johnson will be contacted about the Gazebo lights. The lights will be timed to be lit from dusk to dawn.

To solve the problem with water pooling in the new globes Todd reported that new globes will be put on all the light poles. It is thought that there was a gasket malfunction. Council asked that Todd or Karen contact Lumec and request the warranty restart with the installation of the new globes.

Reports

Sheriff: the patrol report was provided by Deputy Munier for hours of service from November 5, 2012 through December 3, 2012. There were 67 calls for service. November hours of service: 90.7.

Maintenance: written report consisting of; worked on cleaning brush from the sewer ROW, the new valve was installed at the lift station, ordered a new trash pump for the dry well at the lift station and hung the Christmas banners. Todd noted the guys will continue to work on clearing out the sewer ROW, prepare for the winter weather and prepare for the new panel that runs the lift station – to be delivered in December or January.

A grant award of \$1,000 has been received from Alliant for the Downtown Restoration Project. It will be used to offset the purchase of banners.

Old Business: Nuisance Abatement – 173 Broadway: Lorimer's have declined the 173 Broadway property. A new sale ad will be written for the council to approve at the next council meeting.

Casey's Building: Council discussion continued on the old Casey's building. Bixler provided information from DNR Environmental Specialist Tom Collins. Bixler will contact Collins for a copy of Tier 2 report for Grimley to review. Jeff would like to know more about the saturation levels of benzene on the site. Motion was made by Brady, second by Shebetka to accept the donation of the Casey's building to the City. Brady, Shebetka and Miller ayes. Nay – Ralston and Grimley. Jeff requested that the minutes note that the Council understands they are liable for any future contamination (*added per minutes correction at the 12/17/2012*)

council meeting) and chemical leeching on the Casey's and adjacent properties. Ralston requested it be noted that the council has not designated a purpose for the building nor researched the cost of renovation/remodeling of the building.

New Business:

Cemetery Survey: Council reviewed the proposal from MSA for surveying, platting and staking cemetery lots in Block 7 of the cemetery. Committee members asked that the Council give thought to having the cemetery borders surveyed also as it is already known that the north driveway is partially on Scott Mysak's property. Also included in the request was to plat and stake cemetery lots in property west of the arborvitae trees so that section can be opened up. Council requested other companies be asked to bid the project and this would be discussed again when the other bids were received.

2011-12 AFR: reviewed by council.

Water Street Easement: Discussion continued between Pat Hoyt and the Council on the Water Street Easement. Points of discussion included, but not limited to; utility easements, installing balusters in the curved portion of the street (Hoyt property) around the tree, liability issues, closing the street, dead ending the street, vacating the street, property lines, eminent domain and doing nothing and leaving the situation as is. Council consensus was to seek professional help from Shoemaker and Haaland and City Attorney Taylor. Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Miller to contact Engineer Tobin and Atty. Taylor for their help. All ayes, motion carried.

A Public Hearing: to inform citizens of the City's intent to submit a CDBG to the Iowa Economic Development Authority for Funding of Sanitary Sewer Improvements is set for December 17th at 6:00 pm.

Motion was made by Shebetka and second by Grimley to approve **Resolution #28-2012: A Resolution Accepting Improvements for Spring Meadows III Subdivision.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Brady and second by Miller to approve **Resolution #29-2012: A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Certify to the County Treasurer for Collection of Delinquent Utility Fees.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence: Fire Chief PJ Hoyt is calling for an official joint meeting of the City Council, Brown Township Trustees and Fire Department personnel for the purpose of changes and updates to the current by-laws. Springville Co-operative Telephone Association informing patrons of a rate increase in the local exchange services beginning January 1, 2013. Also, discussion on getting employee reviews done yet this month.

Next Meeting: December 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Brady, second by Ralston to adjourn at 8:10 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

