

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

August 19, 2013

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 pm in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Grimley, Brady, Shebetka and Ralston. Also present: Shawn and Michele Stone, Pat Callahan, Dave DeWitte, Treva Davis, Pat Hoyt and Brandon French.

Public Hearing: Adoption of Capital Improvements Plan. Mayor Heeren asked for oral or written comment on the CIP. Callahan was asked for clarification on several points of the plan. There being no further comment Mayor Heeren closed the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m.

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

Citizens With Concerns Not on the Agenda: Shawn and Michele Stone of 159 5th Street N. were present with complaints about the annual tractor pull. Their complaints included, but not limited to the following: the tractor pull site is too small for the activity that takes place there. If a tractor blew up parts could fly onto their property and do damage or hit one of the children. Also; concentrated smoke and diesel smell getting into their home, noise, lights, parking problems with people trying to park in their driveway and on their yard, trespassing, litter thrown in their yard (beer cans) and fights. Stone noted that the heavy equipment bringing in the tractors are damaging city streets and that the tractor pull does not benefit the city in any way. Stone pointed out that the property was zoned R-3, Multi-family Residential which is incorrect zoning for tractor pull activities and that the trailer parked on the property does not conform to zoning code. Stone requested the Council take action on their complaints. Stone was informed the zoning issue would need to be taken care of in the prescribed manner set out in the zoning code. The tractor pull site would need to be rezoned and this type of issue starts with approval from Planning and Zoning Commission and then moves on to the council for consideration. Stones being within 200 feet of the requested rezoning would receive notification of all meetings and have the right to be heard on the request for rezoning from STPA.

Individual councilpersons received complaints about thick, obnoxious smoke coming into town last Friday. The smoke came from the country and was granted a burn permit from Linn County.

Sheriff's Report: Reports: Deputy gave the Sheriff's report for August 5, 2013 through August 19, 2013. There were 10 calls for service. July hours: 109.50.

Todd's written **Maintenance Report** consisted of: mowing and cleaning Butler Park for Fun Days, moved picnic tables to Butler Park, cleaned up yard waste site, picked up and placed barricades and cones, closed streets, painted cross walks, serviced back hoe, repaired North 6th Street sewer line, mowed lagoon, repaired weed trimmer and took 3rd quarter samples for water and sewer. Projects being worked on: clean and seal red concrete in the business block, take barricades and cones back, service equipment and do some shouldering along the streets. The 6th Street sewer project went very well. The connection of new pipe was made without having to drill a new core in the manhole, which also kept the cost down. Replacing the curb will be accomplished once the rock settles and then the yard around it will be landscaped. Rotor Rooter will camera the pipe to make sure the root cutter got all the roots out further up the line.

Parks: Roger reported on the numerous favorable comments on Fun Days including the Extreme Quarry Run. Roger has received concerns about Boy Scout Troops having their meetings at the Fire Station. Fire Chief will be asked to look into the situation.

Mayor: Rick has been looking into solutions for a school crossing coming from the Spring Meadows subdivision and crossing 1st Avenue. His suggestion was to cross 1st Avenue via 8th Street, continue down 8th Street for 1 block, cross Mill and end up on the sidewalk running parallel to the grade school. A flashing yellow crossing light would be on the 8th Street and 1st Avenue intersection. Consensus was that this was a good idea, but the need for a flashing yellow crossing light was questioned. It was suggested that a rolling stop sign as utilized further up 1st Avenue would be a better, less expensive alternative. Rick reported that 130 cars (up from 97 cars last year) participated in the St. Izzy Car Show.

Clerk: provided the council with the July Library finance overtime report and the estimated LOST monthly distribution for FY 2014.

Old Business

Review & Approve Cemetery Blocks 9 & 10 (roadways included): Council reviewed the maps for new blocks 9 and 10 at the cemetery. Council requested a map containing an overview of blocks 7, 8, 9 and 10 showing how the roadways are platted. Remling will be notified of the request.

New Business

Emmons Park Security Light: Council discussed the problems occurring at Emmons Park. Complaints have been received from neighboring residents. Cox Lake Pavilion and the Gazebo are now lighted through the night for security purposes which seems to have solved the problems in those parks. Alliant provided a quote to install a new light pole at the park. Council consensus was that the area does need a light. Council directed the item be passed on to the Park Board for their approval and that the board review the park ordinance for updating if necessary.

Library Board Appointment: Motion was made by Shebetka, second by Ralston approving the appointment of Jessie Perry to serve the seat vacated by Susan Minger. The term runs through June 30, 2016.

Motion by Shebetka, second by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance **#3-2013: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Springville, Iowa 2009 by Modifying an Existing Provision of Chapter #15 Mayor.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Shebetka, second by Miller to approve the first reading of Ordinance **#4-2013: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Springville, Iowa 2009 by Modifying an Existing Provision of Chapter #17 City Council.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brady, second by Grimley to adopt **Resolution #20-2013: Approval of a Capital Improvements Plan.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Roger announced the Annual Linn County Mayors' Bike Ride will be held on Monday, September 2nd (Labor Day). Riders are to gather at the Ellis Park Pool parking lot. Registration is at 9:00 am and the ride begins at 10:05 am. The event is hosted by the Linn County Trails Association.

Next meeting: *Tuesday, September 2, 2013.*

Motion by Ralston, second by Shebetka to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

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