

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

October 21, 2013

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Brady, Grimley, Ralston and Shebetka. Also present: Dave Rowe, Pat Hoyt, Dave DeWitte, Steve Shaffer, Bob Tobin, Laura Riley, and Todd Wyman.

Public Hearing:

Disposition of Casey's Building: Mayor Heeren inquired if any further interest on the property had been received at city hall. He then asked for oral or written comment, there being none he closed the Public Hearing at 6:03 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: Laura Riley was present to inform the Council that the Springville Boosters were sponsoring a tail gate party on October 30th from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. and Academy Street will need to be closed from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Todd will make sure there are enough barricades to block both ends of the street.

Sheriff's Report: Reports: Deputy Stephens provided the sheriff's report for October 7, 2013 through October 21, 2013 - there were 21 calls for service. September hours of service: 99.20.

Todd's written **Maintenance Report** consisted of: continuing fall discharge at the lagoons, repaired oil leak on the Exmark mower, installed one way sign in the downtown parking lot, helped Northway Pump retrieve the pipe, pump and motor from Well #3. The pump was slightly bent from the impact of sinking to the bottom of the well. Northway Pump will work on the pump repair at their shop. We are still working on keeping the yard waste site clean - D&D Tree has been called to chip. We worked on alley repair behind the phone company, knocked over a tree in Emmons Park that was hung up on another tree, ran the sewer cutter in a line in Circle Drive, cut down the tree that blew over at the water tower site, marked grave sites at the cemetery several times and worked on equipment for winter service. Things we will be working on: finish discharge at the lagoon and start to transfer water in the cells, continue to ready equipment for winter work, take the fountain out of the pond and get the bubbler ready for keeping the ice open for oxygen for the fish. The sludge measurement has been completed at the lagoon which resulted in a good report from that company. The sludge on the bottom of the lagoon is minimal and evenly distributed. There is no need to dredge at this time and sludge removal should not be needed for 10-15 years.

Mayor Heeren: reported he had spoken with a representative of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in reference to moderating a debate between the 2 candidates for mayor. Roger will get back with the mayor on the proposal.

Clerk: provided the council with the FY 2012-13 library report and the minutes of the September 11th board meeting.

Old Business

Casey's Building: Rick reported a party has contacted him with interest in purchasing the Ansul hood in the old Casey's building at a price of \$1,000 and that party would remove the hood. The city clerk has received 2

letters of interest for use of the property. Councilman Brady noted he is open to about any option for sale or rental of the building. Discussion continued on options for the building. Motion was made by Miller, second by Brady to advertise the Casey's building for sale or lease in local newspapers. Grimley abstained, remaining ayes, motion carried.

New Business

Review and Accept Contract From Shoemaker & Haaland for Mapping Services: Bob Tobin was present to discuss the scope of service and fee estimate for preparing/updating zoning, water and sewer maps for the City. The project will include compiling available data to create up to date maps depicting the current zoning, water distribution system and sewer system. Motion was made by Brady, second by Miller to approve the scope of services agreement with Shoemaker and Haaland in the amount of \$7,250 and directing the Mayor to sign same. All ayes, motion carried.

Set Public Hearing: Council set November 4, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. as the date and time for a Public Hearing for close out of the CDBG funding for the sewer grant.

Budget Work Session: Council reviewed financial reports consisting of tax levy comparisons and year end balances from FY 2007-08 through FY 2012-13 including year to date (September 30th). Discussion included, but was not limited to yearly tax levies, history and financial health of all funds, projects accomplished with LOST revenue, funding of future projects – especially lining of sewer mains, projects and equipment paid for in cash, benefit of refinancing city debt and condition of the sewer fund and its ability to fund debt service payments and future projects.

Council discussion was held on **Ordinance #4-2013: An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Springville, Iowa 2009 by Amending Chapter 23, Section 23.02, Park Board** before it was voted on. Mareta Ralston noted that most boards are 5 or 7 members and a 6 member board could result in there being a tie vote, that the parks are maintained with tax dollars from citizens of Springville and passage of such an ordinance would set a precedent for opening up city boards to rural membership. Also discussed – interest and commitment of the rural patrons, lack of a quorum for meetings, limiting membership to the Springville school district and setting up the ordinance for review every certain number of years in case the amendment proves it is not working for the City. Motion was made by Brady, second by Miller to approve the first reading of **Ordinance #4-2013** with the stipulation that the rural member resides in the Springville school district and the ordinance is visited every 5 years at codification time. Roll call vote. Ralston nay. Remaining ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence: Todd noted that he had spoken with Linn County Secondary Roads about the work order received from them pertaining to the “bump” on 1st Avenue. It is an FYI notice that the county received a complaint that is kept on file in case any other complaints are received about the same subject. Should the city determine the area needs repaired we would notify the county once the repair is completed.

Next meeting: *Monday, November 4, 2013 at 6:00 pm.*

Motion by Shebetka, second by Ralston to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

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