

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

March 3, 2014

Mayor Shebetka called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Miller, Brady, Hoyt and Sindelar. Ralston was absent. Also present: Steve Shaffer, Deb Yeisley, Kaitlynn Baker, Laura Riley, Jean Menster, Brad Merritt, Dave Raue, Treva Davis, Todd Wyman, Patrick Hoyt and Officer Grote.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Hoyt, second by Brady to approve the consent agenda as posted. All ayes, motion carried.

Citizens with concerns not on the agenda: none

Sheriff: Deputy Grote provided the February 17, 2014 through March 3, 2014 service report. There were 3 calls for service. January hours: 99.8.

Maintenance report: the guys are still working on frozen water lines, hauled snow piles out, mixed more salt and sand, moved snow back along some of the streets, continued to plow snow and sand streets after the latest snow storm, replaced the front tire on the backhoe and Todd continued work on FY 2014-15 budget. There is a check valve problem at Well #2. Water was found running back into the well one morning. There are 3 separate check valves in the well to keep this from happening, so the guys are not sure why it happened. It is stopped for now and Northway Well and Pump have been contacted to come and check wells for electric issues and see about the check valve issues on Well #2. The isolation valve to Well #2 has also quit working. This will not let the well be shut off in order to look at the check valve at the top of the well head. A short section of main will be required to be turned off to fix both problems and they prefer to wait for warm weather to accomplish this task. The well is still able to be used if needed, but is not run on a weekly basis. At least 2 new water lines need to be replaced from the main to the stop box due to galvanized pipe lines freezing. There are water lines to be thawed yet, one under concrete parking, so that will make repair more expensive. Todd will continue to work on the Broadway project with engineer Tobin, get warranty work completed on the Ford F450 and continue to move snow as needed.

Mayor report: Roger attended the auditor's meeting. He reported a disturbing trend of raising taxes on "crappy" farm ground and lowering taxes on "good" farm ground.

Clerk: provided the Library Board meeting minutes of January 8, 2014 and January library finance report.

Fire department: Patrick Hoyt said that #246 is in Alexis to move lights, mount a deck gun, add steps, and add switches. Training on radios has begun and radios will be switched over on March 16th. ISO changes will be effective in July.

Old Business: Brady provided the Benefits Manager at Heartland Express with a copy of the Zane Benefits/Zane Health brochures for his review and comment. Mike also contacted Monticello Aviation, Freese Motors and Naylor Seed Company as users of the Zane Plan for their opinion on the company. The Heartland Benefits Manager found nothing unfavorable to report and advised that given the needs of Springville city employees it appeared that the plan would be of help to the City and to the employees with administrative and taxation services. Mike continued on reporting on conversations with said Monticello employers who all provided favorable comment on Zane Benefits, Inc. Concern was expressed about changes in the plan in the future due to Obama Care/ACA and federal changes due in November 2014. Motion was made by Miller, second by Hoyt directing the clerk to move forward with Paul Davis of Zane Benefits in preparing the paperwork for the City Clerk to implement the changes needed to join the plan. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

Remote Read Meter System: Motion by Miller, second by Hoyt for the clerk to proceed with the bid process to implement a remote meter read system. All ayes, motion carried.

Broadway Project – Sidewalk: Roger explained a new concept for getting the sidewalk up through the park that would eliminate the “steps and handrail system” previously presented to the council. Maintenance will talk with Bob Tobin about the sidewalk grade.

Utility Rate Increases: the Clerk will prepare the ordinances necessary to implement rate increases for water and sewer utilities for the next council meeting.

Alliant, Lease Agreement: Motion by Brady, second by Hoyt to approve the “staging area lease” for storage of materials at the sewer plant for \$250 per month. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Brady, second by Sindelar to set the **Public Hearing for Adoption of Proposed FY 2014-15 Budget** on March 24th. All ayes, motion carried.

EMC Insurance City Crime Limit: Tyson of EMC Insurance notified the City Clerk of the new underwriting requirements/policy concerning the City’s insurable crime limit. EMC will only insure up to \$1,000,000 due to the fact the City does not have an annual audit. Cities not required to have an annual audit present a greater risk to insure and that \$1,000,000 is the highest limit they will provide in case of crime (embezzlement). Bixler was directed to speak with Tyson to see what the City should do at this point.

D& D Tree Service Bid: tabled, Todd to solicit other bids.

Resolution #2-2014: A Corporate Authorization Resolution – mayor tabled to March 24th meeting.

Motion by Hoyt, second by Brady to adopt **Resolution #3-2014: A Resolution to Allocate an Address**. All ayes, motion carried.

Correspondence: Notification from Ruan Securities of a name change to DA Davidson, review of Davenport nuisance ordinance compared to the Springville nuisance ordinance and possible changes.

Discussion by council regarding the problem of recording of meetings. Todd, Brandon, and Susan were instructed by Sean Williams in the operation of the taping system. Council suggested that there be a clearly written set of instructions so ALL the council would be aware of how the system operates. Council-man Brady suggested that Council person Sindelar take on the task of being taught how to operate the system.

Library board president indicated they would like to change their policy to specifically ban E-cigarettes from use within the Library structure.

Next Meeting: March 24th, 6:00 pm.

Motion by Hoyt, 2nd by Miller to adjourn at 7:10 pm. All ayes motion carried

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

