

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

March 24, 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, Sindelar and Ralston. Also present: Deb Yeisley, Kaitlynn Baker, Laura Riley, Jean Menster, Brad Merritt, Dave Raue, Treva Davis, Todd Wyman, Patrick Hoyt, Anthony and Stacy Mason, Mary Jane Helm, Rick Close, Nathan Greene, Scott and Barb Mysak, Theresa Merritt, Marla Carnahan, Sarah Holub, Kim Markley, Jean Schmidt, LeRoy Boland, Shelly Pearson, Jane Kibler, Karen Anderson, Susan Cooper and Atty. Anne Loomis.

Public Hearing: Adoption of Proposed By 2014-15 Budget. Mayor Shebetka called for oral or written comment, there being none he closed the Public Hearing at 6:04 p.m.

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

Citizens with concerns not on the agenda: Karen Anderson inquired if there was a plan to replace the trees that were taken down in the park. Roger replied that the City will be acquiring 2 large trees and a smaller tree such as a flowering crab through Trees Forever to replace the trees that were taken down. Susan Cooper asked if the City would accept donation of a tree. It was noted the City will accept donation of trees however, Park Board President John Keizer should be notified for input on the type of tree that would be appropriate for the park.

Treva Davis stood to commend Brandon and Todd for doing an excellent job in keeping the City streets clean this winter.

Scott Mysak presented a petition from citizens who wished to express their deep dissatisfaction with the performance of council persons Mike Brady and Tom Miller. This group stated they have no confidence in their ability to work cooperatively and effectively with the rest of the City Council and Mayor in order to move forward on the matters of importance to Springville.

Reports

Sheriff: Deputy Grote provided the March 03, 2014 through March 17, 2014 service report. There were 15 calls for service. February hours of service: 100.7.

Maintenance report: the guys have repaired tubing on the Well #3 chlorine pump, continue to deal with frozen water lines, completed the 2013 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), the annual water usage report and continue to work on the mandated drought plan for submittal to the IDNR. In Upper Butler Park they helped take down the Christmas lights and tree, removed the 3 dying/dangerous trees and talked with the engineers about the sidewalk plans for the Broadway Project. Todd talked with LL Pelling about this year's seal coat program, put root out in sewer lines, patched potholes, fixed a light pole at the phone company, called for prices and delivered a culvert, ordered parts to repair Community Center door, marked property pins on 5th Street, warranty work completed on Ford F450 and have started to clean up the snow equipment by getting the salt residue off the equipment. Well #2 measured 2 amps of electricity a sign of the electrolysis problem that is being found in the Midwest. The O-ring for Well #2 is on order. The isolation valve will be taken apart to see why it will not close. Once the well is isolated the check valve will be removed to determine why the valve failed. Todd thinks it will have something to do with the electrolysis due to poor grounding issues. Gates Electric has been contacted to check for this and to help develop a solution to the problem in both wells. Once the grounding issues are resolved council might want to have the motor in Well #2 removed for inspection to

avoid the problems incurred with Well #3. If the pipe is damaged as it was in Well #3 it would be advisable to deal with the issues immediately to avoid the damaged pipe and motor falling into the well as it did with Well #3. The department will continue to patch potholes, get the CCR reported formatted for inclusion in the May newsletter, continue work on well #2 and begin seasonal work as permits.

Clerk: provided the Library Board meeting minutes of February 12, 2014 and February library finance report, February overtime report and a report detailing the impact of SF295 on City tax revenues.

Old Business

2014 Committees and Appointments: Mayor Shebetka designated the following appointments and committees: Mayor pro-tem; Mareta Ralston, City Clerk/Treasurer, Flood Plain Administrator and Zoning Administrator; Karen Bixler, Public Works Director; Todd Wyman, City Attorney; Anne Loomis, Sheriff's Department; Linn County, Fire Chief; Patrick Hoyt, Newspaper; CR Gazette, City Engineer; Shoemaker & Haaland & MSA Professional Services, Budget & Finance; Hoyt, Ralston, Shebetka & Bixler, Board of Adjustment; Miller, Economic Development; Bixler, EMA; Hoyt, Library; Ralston, School liaison; Sindelar, Personnel; Miller, Shebetka, Brady, Parks; Sindelar, Policy; Bixler, Brady, Shebetka & Hoyt, Fire Dept.; Brady, 911 Board; Hoyt, Cemetery; Bixler, Koppenhaver, Brady, Zoning Representative; Miller.

New Business:

Approve Teresa Pilipovic to a 2 Year Term as the Rural Representative on the Park Board: Motion by Brady, second by Hoyt to appoint Pilipovic to serve a 2 year term on the Park Board. All ayes, motion carried. Council person Ralston reminded the council that approval of a rural member on the Park Board would set a precedent for other board memberships in the City.

Complaint of Dogs Running at Large: Discussion was held on the complaint received concerning dogs running at large and charging people walking their dogs. Mayor Shebetka's suggested that he be allowed to walk his dog for several days at the same time and on the same route that the complainant follows each morning so that he might identify the residential addresses of the dogs that are not leashed or confined and able to charge/pursue citizens walking. This did not work out as a solution to the problem. Councilman Hoyt thoroughly reviewed Springville Code and pointed out Section 55.05(4) of the Animal Control Ordinance which states that "Reports shall be both justified and verifiable (photographs, sworn statements, etc...). The complainant requests that the City adhere to its' own Code and Councilman Hoyt stated (and Council agreed) that before the complaint is taken any further these requirements of the Code need to be followed. Bixler was directed to send Section 55.05(4) to the resident filing the complaint.

Sidewalk Complaint: Nathan Greene was present to complain about a missing section of sidewalk on Fawn Avenue. His daughter takes this route to school and must walk through snow or mud depending on the weather. Iris Trampe is the neighbor whose property abuts Greene and is missing the partial (20') sidewalk. Iris was also present at the meeting and explained the history of the missing section of sidewalk. The area was cemented at one time as it was a hammerhead turn around, but the cement was torn out when Spring Meadows I subdivision was completed and Spring Meadows II Subdivision was being built. Discussion continued on solving the problem. Bixler will call Backen (developer) for a discussion on the problem.

EMC Insurance City Crime Limit: The Clerk spoke with Tyson Jacobi about the new underwriting requirements for errors and omissions insurance. EMC Insurance has reduced the claim limit from \$2,000,000 to \$1,000,000. The City has always had a \$1,000,000 limit of liability so no further insurance will need to be Underwritten to supplement the current City policy.

Motion by Brady, second by Hoyt to adopt **Resolution #2-2014: A Corporate Authorization Resolution.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried. This resolution allows for Roger Shebetka and Mareta Ralston as new signatories at Exchange State Bank.

Motion by Hoyt, second by Ralston to adopt **Resolution #5-2014: A Resolution Approving a Conditional Use Permit.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried. This resolution allows construction of an electric substation within the "fringe area" (2 miles) of Springville.

Motion by Brady, second by Ralston to adopt **Resolution #6-2014: A Resolution Approving City of Springville's Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Sindelar to approve the 1st reading of **Ordinance #-2014: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #2-2011 by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Fees for Sanitary Sewer Rates.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried. This amendment raises the sewer minimum \$1 to \$17.50 for 2,000 gallons.

Motion by Brady, second by Sindelar to approve the 1st reading of **Ordinance #-2014: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #1-2011 by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Fees for Water Rates and Charges.** Roll call vote. All ayes, motion carried. This amendment raises the price per 1,000 gallons of water 25¢ from \$3.50 to \$3.75.

Correspondence: Notification from Springville Co-operative Telephone Association that council meeting file takes approximately 3 to 4 hours to reach them once the file is sent from google earth. An FYI to the council concerning a resident who slipped and fell on the ice and sustained minor injury.

Next Meeting: April 7th at 6:00 pm.

Motion by Brady, second by Miller to adjourn at 7:20 pm. All ayes motion carried

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor