

**SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**Seminar – January 29, 2015**

Mayor Shebetka called the special session of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 PM at City Hall. Present on roll call: Ralston, Brady, Merritt and Sindelar at 6:27 PM. Hoyt at 7:15 p.m.

Attorney Mark Parmenter introduced Dustin Miller of Iowa League of Cities to the Council and audience. Dustin was present to conduct an educational seminar on Iowa Code Chapter 21 (***Open Meetings***) and Chapter 22 (***Open Records***).

In addition to information on Chapters 21 and 22 discussion was held on the definition of and legality of a “walking meeting”, meaning phone calls or meeting between two council persons and then continuing on with one of the first parties contacting the remaining council one councilperson at a time for an eventual consensus of all council members. E-mail communications were also discussed. Mayor Shebetka questioned Mr. Miller on the City’s committee and appointment structure. Miller related that any “arm” of the City that has a meeting must follow open meeting law which would require positing an agenda, taking minutes and publishing of said minutes in the most widely read publication in the City.

Motion was made by Brady, second by Mareta to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

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*Mayor*

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
*City Clerk*