

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting

October 6, 2015

Mayor Roger Shebetka called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 pm in the Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Councilpersons- Pat Hoyt, Mareta Ralston, Mike Brady, Penny Sindelar, and Brad Merritt. Also in attendance was Public Works Supervisor Todd Wyman, Engineer Bob Tobin, and Laura Roussel with Black Hills Energy.

Mayor Shebetka opened the **Public Hearing** regarding proposed **Ordinance # 4-2015** at 6:02 pm. The Mayor asked Laura if Black Hills was affiliated with Clean Line, that is proposing coming along the northside of town. She assured him no. With no other questions, Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 6:03 pm.

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

FYI Materials- Library financials, IPERS Compliance Review, and a copy of the "Final" notice letter that is being sent to households that have not set an installation date for the remote meters.

Citizens with concerns not on the agenda - Wanda Young was unable to attend, but dropped off pictures, a letter, and a bucket of loose gravel she swept from her drive. She is asking for a meeting with Roger and Todd to discuss these issues. They will meet with her Friday AM.
Matt March addressed the council about receiving an adjustment to his sewer bill. The excessive volume was from an outside faucet found left on. Council agreed to a \$40 credit.

Reports-

Linn County Sherriff dropped off their report ahead of the meeting, 99.4 hours logged and 10 calls for service.

Mayor- Mayor noted SEDC request for the council attendance at their annual meeting.

Roger was able to meet the new superintendent of Springville Schools at the homecoming events, looks forward to a good working relationship.

Roger spoke of the meeting with the Hidden Meadows developer, the next step is to bring the project to P and Z for consideration.

A note on this meeting- clerk accidentally sent out an email to all councilman about the meeting with Hidden Meadows developer. More councilman than expected arrived. For a brief moment, during no pertinent discussion, there was 3 councilman in attendance, this was quickly remedied by one leaving. The city informed the state of what happened, no fines or penalties were levied.

Councilpersons - Councilman Hoyt, along with other councilman in the past have concerns with clerks hours. Some discussion with clerk on trimming back these hours, concern with overloading labor budget. Clerk would also welcome less hours but until deputy is trained and catchup from a one employee office is current, the deadlines still need to be met. As to budget overload, present clerk with all overtime is grossing only 89% of previous clerks pay. With current clerk and new deputy compared to previous clerk and deputy, current ones are only at 80%, and this includes all overtime. Councilman Sindelar noted the school is having a meeting October 19th, there will be two firms presenting plans for the addition to the high school. School Cents has started so please direct your purchases appropriately. Springville has won this 5 years in a row, so let's make it 6! This is Homecoming week please watch out for all kids and activities. Penny thanked Todd and Kim for all the wonderful work making the meter installation go smooth.

Maintenance Report- Today was the first day of training for the new meters. All the time was spent in the office, tomorrow will be out scanning. Todd talked of possible dates for reading the meters, and shut off day. These final dates to be determined. Meter installer has approximately 20 meters left, doing a great job. Street patching is complete. Have started fall discharge at the lagoon, at this pace will be done ahead of schedule.

Clerk Report- A certified letter has been sent to all households that have not set an appointment for meter installation. There are 12. Robin Ballentyne with SEDC was in to collect some items to use for their annual meeting. She is encouraging all council and mayor to attend. Insurance has covered a liability reimbursement claim with Richard Baillegeon over the water main break in Circle Drive. IRS has denied our request to remove late fees and penalties for fiscal year 2014-15.

Laura Roussel with Black Hills Energy was in attendance to answer any questions the council might have and to give insight in their company and its desire to continue to work with the City of Springville. The Franchise Agreement with Black Hills is up for renewal. The Mayor asked Laura if Black Hills was affiliated with Clean Line, that is proposing coming along the north side of town. She assured him no. The City's attorney has looked over the Franchise Agreement, made a few modifications and both sides have agreed on the final draft. Motion by Hoyt, second by Sindelar to adopt Ordinance # 4-2015, an Ordinance granting Black Hills authority to do business within the corporate limits of Springville. This motion encompasses the 1st reading, and waves reading 2 and 3. Roll Call vote, all ayes. Ordinance #4-2015 adopted.

Motion by Hoyt, second by Brady to accept Broadway Phase IV as finalized. Todd spoke of a couple of items noted on the punch list, they will be addressed in the future if needed. Bob Tobin asked council if they had any concerns. He feels the project as a whole went well, and is a beautiful up date for the community. All Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Brady, second by Sindelar to approve the Notice to Bidders and Notice of Public Hearing for the advancement of the Creek Stabilization Project. All temporary easements are signed. Bob Tobin recommended the extension application be submitted to FEMA, just in case of a weather issue or other event causes delays. All ayes, motion carried.

Some discussion on the meeting with the Hidden Meadows developer. Mayor asked Bob Tobin some Engineering questions on run off. Roger informed council that the project needs to go back to P and Z. Councilman that were in attendance at the meeting the day before, questioned the number of dwellings on a lot.

Motion by Hoyt, second by Ralston to give a financial credit of \$225 to all utility accounts that utilize a meter larger than 5/8". Included in this motion is the option for a payment plan of 12 equal payments over the next 12 months. Clerk to send out bills. All Ayes, motion carried.

Some discussion about Holiday Decorations and banners for the new lights. Clerk to check budget.

Motion by Brady, second by Sindelar setting October 28, 2015 as the deadline for employees to sign the Newest Version of the Employee Handbook. All Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sindelar, second by Hoyt to adopt Ordinance #5-2015, A Golf Cart Ordinance, after the 2nd reading, and the waving of the 3rd meeting. Roll Call vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Some discussion on building permit compliance. Topics were fines or penalties if no permit was pulled, permit extension fee, and if a permit is for a single improvement. Tabled per City Attorney for further research.

Motion by Sindelar, second by Merritt to accept the new Policy for Temporary Utility Service Change (snowbirds). All Ayes, motion carried.

SEDC Annual Meeting is to be held October 12th at Sally's On Broadway starting at 6:00 pm. A presenter from Iowa Economic Development will talk of comparable towns, and to present an analysis of our towns strengths and weaknesses. The SEDC board openly welcomes and encourages the council to attend. They would like to see a quorum for possible discussion and action. Clerk to post an agenda.

Motion by Hoyt, second by Ralston to approve the request for Tax Abatement at 110 8th street. All Ayes, motion carried.

MSA Professional Services are conducting an income survey of the residents in the City of Springville, for use with sewer rehabilitation grants, and CDBG housing grants. Motion by Sindelar, second by Ralston to pursue the Housing Grants that have applications due in January, per the request of Liz Kemp, Housing Administrator with MSA. City looking to partner with SEDC in this effort. All Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Ralston, second by Merritt to adjourn at 8:10 pm, all ayes, motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting, October 19, 2015.

ATTEST: ___Kim Donaldson_____
 City Clerk

_____Roger Shebetka_____
 Mayor

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