

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 16, 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, Penny Sindelar, and Brad Merritt, Councilman Brady was absent. Also in attendance, Public Works Supervisor Todd Wyman, and Engineer Joel Elsinger with MSA.

Consent Agenda: Motion/by Merritt, second/by Hoyt to approve the consent agenda, All Ayes, motion carried.

FYI Materials-

- SEDC powerpoint handout
- FEMA has granted completion date extension for Creekstabilization Project to 6-1-2016.
- Library Financials and report

Citizens with concerns not on the agenda- Deb Yeisley addressed the council, there is a midsized Walnut tree just over the fence at the back of their property in Emmons Park. It drops branches and makes a mess, they are wanting Permission to remove the tree at no expense to the city. The council granted permission. Thank you to the Yeisleys for not incurring any expense to the city.

Reports-

Linn County Sherriff- the sheriff report – 110.1 hours logged and 16 calls for service.

Mayor- some tuck pointing was done to the back of the Community Center, this was done while Sally's was having work done to the back of her building, Mayor granted permission for safety purposes.

The Community Center basement had sewage back up over the weekend. Todd and Brandon did a lot of the clean up and also worked with RotoRooter to clean out sewer main. Actually Clean will be here in the morning to clean the basement. Will submit an insurance claim.

Our school Superintendent would like a joint meeting between the school board and city council. Roger to get back with him, the council chose December 3rd for this meeting.

Maintenance Report- a lot of discussion on the brightness of new lights. Todd has looked into dimmers and diffusers, some diffusers would void the warranty. He will call for more options.

Holiday decorating was discussed, placement options, and which items to display.

RotoRooter was prompt coming to clean the sewer main today. Found 2 large clogs. Todd asked council to consider doing a routine clean out of certain areas.

Councilman- Mareta added to the banner and holiday lighting discussion, there is a family in town that would be willing to donate to the purchasing of a banner. Banners will run \$80-100 each. Also talk of banners sponsored by individuals or businesses and having their name or company name printed on the banner.

Clerk Report- Elson Addition update, with Brad, things are starting to progress, Planning and Zoning are heavily involved right now, it will be a bit yet before it comes to the council.

CDBG update- we have 10 applications in. As soon as council accepts the grant writer, a public hearing will be posted.

Citizens Committee Update, with Treva and Al Woods. The committee has met twice, a lot of great ideas and thoughts. They plan a meeting for this next Tuesday night, it should not be much longer till a presentation to the council.

There were no write in votes for this election. Clerk handed out Election Certificates.

Library- the Library Budget Committee is ready to meet. Is there any Council recommendations? Percentages? City has not received any new budget numbers thus far.

Parks Department- has received a donation from the Presbyterian Church for the Safe Swings at Cox Lake Park. Thank you to the Presbyterian Church.

Motion by Sindelar, second by Ralston to grant permission for the purchase of 4 City Parking Lot signs. Al Woods presented the need for these signs on Johns Street and the City parking lot between 256 Broadway and the Legion. All ayes, motion carried.

An update on the Waste Water Facility Plan with Joe Elsinger. Joe presented a hand out that displayed preliminary findings. These findings included city population growth, average gallons, storm water gallons, and maximum gallons that have been pumped to the lagoons. The plant has been maintained very well and is generally in compliance with the DNR. The lift station on the other hand is a "dry pit" system, dangerous to work on, and is not capable of handling our current wet weather flows. The DNR requires our pumping capacity to be almost double the current level. This all leads to the LMI survey and the need for a grant. We are in need of 162 more LMI surveys to be returned in before we can complete this grant. The city will be contacting those that did not return their survey.

Motion by Ralston, second by Sindelar to approve the CommUNITY Credit Card Application. This approval includes Authorized Officer as the Mayor, other card holders City Clerk, Maintenance Supervisor, Librarian, and library custodian. All Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sindelar, second by Ralston to set the Franchise Fee percentage at 1% for both Black Hills, and Alliant Energy. This will set the process in motion, resolutions and ordinance change to come. All Ayes, motion carried. This will not have any financial effect on our citizens, just your 1% LOST dollars will come 100% to our town.

Discussion on Handicap parking spot for 404 Broadway. This is tabled till more information is found on requirements. Todd to call Bob Tobin.

Motion by Hoyt, second by Sindelar to accept Resolutions #30A-2015 and #30B-2015, both Corporate Resolutions Giving authorization to listed parties, for banking purposes. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Merritt, second by Ralston to allow for a contest to create a new logo/slogan for the City of Springville. This will be in conjunction with new light banner purchases. All Ayes, motion carried.

Clerk presented some financial status for FY ending 2014-15. Would like to look at creating savings, money markets, or CD's to separate out some of the larger balances. Council asked for options from both banks. Municipal Leadership Academy begins December 5th, any councilman interest can attend.

Motion by Merritt, second by Hoyt to approve the use of new time sheets for public works. This will distribute wages more accurately. All Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sindelar, second by Ralston to select MSA Professionals as our grant writer for the CDBG Grant. All Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Merritt, second by Sindelar to select MSA Professionals as out grant writer for the Sewer Improvement Grant. All Ayes, motion carried.

Next meeting is Monday December 7, 2015.

Motion by Merritt, second by Sindelar to adjourn.

ATTEST: ___Kim Donaldson_____
 City Clerk

___Roger Shebetka_____
 Mayor

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