



SPRINGVILLE NEWS

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Did you think Spring would ever get here?! The tulips, daffodils all thought it was! If you feel ambitious, please remember Springville Clean-up days, May 9, 10, & 11th. Then City Wide Garage sales are the first Saturday in June. This is a great way to clean up and clean out.



Talk Around the Hydrant

The Bravest

I would like to start this edition of the Bravest by saying **Thank You**. Once again you have all made another year of fish fries a success. It was great to see all of you and getting the chance to speak to a lot of you. I hope that you were able to take a look at the new truck that we would like to purchase in order to better serve the community and the surrounding area. It is still in the early planning phases right now, but for the most part that is going to be the look of the new truck if all goes well. If anyone has any questions feel free to stop me and talk to me or contact me and I would be glad to answer them to the best of my ability at this time.

I would like to take time this month to discuss **Severe Weather**. We have come to that time of year again and would like to let you all know that we are going to do the best job that we can do to keep you all safe when severe weather hits. We will be out watching the storms as they come into our area, and we will be sounding the **Sirens** only when there is a serious threat imminent. However, there are some changes that I would like you to be aware of. This year when the sirens sound they will sound for 3-5 minutes letting you know to go and seek shelter. They will continue to sound every 15 minutes thereafter until all of the danger has moved through our area. I want you to be aware of this because when you hear the sirens after the initial sounding that **DOES NOT** mean that it is all clear, it means that danger is still imminent. Please remember to stay in your safe spot until you have not heard the sirens for a period of greater than **15 minutes**. To those of you who live in Carlton Lane Mobile Home Park, the option of coming in town to the Presbyterian or the Methodist Church is still available. Please give yourself plenty of time to get into these locations, out on the road and traveling during severe weather is not a safe place to be.

Springville Fire and Rescue is always looking for new people. If you think you would like to become a member please ask any of the current members to get you an application and come and join us for one of our regular monthly meetings the first Thursday of each month and find out what it is all about to be one of the Bravest.

We have responded to these calls this month:

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| 3/19/11 | 10-70 Grass Fire Mutual Aid w Anamosa |
| 3/28/11 | 10-52 Medical |
| 3/31/11 | 10-52 Medical |
| 4/02/11 | 10-70 Grass Fire |
| 4/03/11 | Storm Watch |
| 4/04/11 | 10-52 Medical |
| 4/08/11 | Anhydrous Leak Investigation |
| 4/12/11 | 10-52 Medical |
| 4/17/11 | 10-52 Medical |



LIBRARY NEWS

The library was alive with art on April 9, 2011. Palette Pals shared their artwork with the public. They have been painting together for many years and have accumulated a wonderful collection of Iowa life as well as paintings reaching beyond our borders. Thank you to the ladies for all their hard work and sharing their talents. We hope to see the group back here next year.

On April 15, 2011 the Library Board celebrated National Library Week by honoring our hard working volunteers. Our library is fortunate, we have 11 volunteers coming into the library on a weekly basis to help us out with many different tasks. This is a tremendous asset to the library and we really appreciate them.

The Board served chicken salad sandwiches, fruit salad, chips, an array of delicious cookies and brownies and punch. Each volunteer received a personal thank you from the Board.

Our many volunteers are: Matthew Bohlken, Jamie Kruk, Marla Carnahan, Susan Minger, Rylee Chapman, Anne Pedersen, Carrol Hanna, Joel Wickman, Roxy Huber, Andrew Lorimer, Laura Kruk. The Library Board and staff would also like to thank the East Central Library Services for all their support over the years.

Friday STORY TIME seems to be a hit. We are seeing some new faces with our move to Fridays. Come join us @10:30 EVERY Friday we are open.

Mark your calendars! JUNE 7th SUMMER READING BEGINS! This year's theme is "On World, Many Stories", it promises to be a busy summer, it is a big world out there and we are ready to explore. The teen theme is "You are Here". The adult theme is "Novel Destinations". Our summers are always fun with lots to do. Every Tuesday is activity day and Thursday is story time (we have two story times one for toddler-preschool and one for school age) Our program lasts for 10 weeks and is packed with fun.

MAGAZINES! MAGAZINES! COME SEE our collection. We are expanding our magazines not only in number but in interests. Magazines can be checked out for 2 weeks. Come see what we have.

May calendar dates

May 3rd Library Board Meeting 6:30

May 6th Story time 10:30

May 10th Tuesday Night Ladies Book Talk 6:30

May 13th Story time 10:30

May 14th Youth Book Talk 1:00-2:30

May 20th Story time 10:30

May 24th Tuesday Night Ladies Book Talk 6:30

May 27th Story time 10:30

May 28th Youth Book Talk 1:00-2:30

May 30th Library Closed

Historical Society

SAHS applies for Historical Preservation grant

The Springville Area Historical Society will meet **Tuesday, May 10**, at 6:30 p.m. in the SAHS building (former library). All interested residents of Springville and the surrounding area are welcome.

Twelve persons were at the April 19 meeting. President Bev Franks reported that a grant application was submitted to the Linn County Historic Preservation Commission by the April 1 deadline. Grants will be announced in June.

Bev gave special thanks to Kimball Behning, whose computer expertise was crucial to the grant submission process. She also reported on her April

13 interview with Historic Preservation Commission members about the grant request.

Bob & Pat Rose, and Dave & Eleanor Kelley, donated several items: 1896 high school commencement program, 1898 Presbyterian prayer meeting schedule, and five checks written 1882 to 1886 by Springville merchant L. Christman.

SAHS is grateful for these gifts. Anyone wishing to donate Springville area historical material, or to lend it for copying, may call Karen Taylor at : 854-7422.

It was announced that on April 16th Judy Jones Herring of Sonora, CA., gave SAHS \$100, plus 30 photos, two Civil War letters, and 12 other documents pertaining to Springville history.

Ms. Herring is a descendant of Anson Jones, arriving in 1848, and Zephnia Stone, who operated the first gristmill. She visited Springville Sept. 29, 2010, and spent time with Bernita Andersen and Karen.

Steve Shaffer reported that carpenter Mark Dirks had donated his labor and materials, and they repaired the SAHS building's faulty door jamb. Roger Shebetka donated weather stripping and Steve installed it around the door. Thanks to all three!

Doug Beard said that he and his wife subscribe to Ancestry.com, and offered to research early Springville residents.

Plans for the ice cream social, postponed from 2010, were briefly discussed. It will coincide with dedication of the new Butler Park gazebo. As yet, no date has been set. Also attending the April meeting were James Crow, vice president; Jean Schmidt, treasurer; Kimball Behning; and Duane Schlatter

MAYORAL COLUMN

May is Older Americans Month

This has been this way since 1963 according to Joan Ness of the Agency on Aging in Dubuque. Her article alludes to the fact that it is the older Americans that are connecting our communities and that we should support older adults as they continue to strengthen and enrich our community.

There is very little in this world that could top the enjoyment that flows between the generations when older adults interact with younger people. You can see this all around us, in school classrooms, when youngsters spend quality time with their grand parents. The appreciation is very evident when older experienced workers take the time to mentor younger workers. This interaction between generations is the strong thread that binds our families and our communities together. Understanding these open interactions is how we as Americans can appreciate the sacrifices, hard work and ingenuity of the generations that have gone before us.

Like a living history lesson, we can learn whom in our own families fought for our freedom and why, who built our cities, who furthered healthcare. We can also learn about who explored what lies beyond our planet. These are the people who helped shape and change so much of our society for the better.

Now and again, we need to stop and reflect on who we are and realize that what we are comes from what they were. Ever hear anyone say, "I think that I am turning into my father or gee, I am starting to act like my mother"? Each and every one of us has adopted the ideals and or principals of our parents, grandparents or some one we have looked up to from an older generation. They taught each of us right from wrong, or at least what was acceptable or not in our culture. Our ancestors set the course of our nation and ultimately our futures by teaching each younger generation that they are ultimately responsible for their own actions. Have you ever observed young children at play? They are mirrors of their environments, each striving to be the best that they can and wanting to be accepted by their peers.

Lets all celebrate those who helped shape our national character. In addition, take the time to thank those older citizens who are continuing to teach and mentor our next generation of citizens.

Rick Heeren; Mayor



HISTORICAL

Kenny Taylor, rural mail carrier, remembers

Kenny Taylor of Cedar Rapids is a Springville native who will turn 90 on May 27. He spent 28 years as a rural mail carrier and sub on the Springville route.

Kenny's father Dennis farmed, then owned a pool hall in the basement of the Springville Savings Bank, the brick building on the east side of Broadway.

In 1938, Kenny was in the last class to graduate from the old high school. That summer, he and another teen were hired to unload sacks of cement from box cars (Springville had a railroad then) and haul them to the site of the new school.

Kenny started the mail route full-time in 1958, after Henry Cooper retired. From 1945 to 1950, Kenny was Henry's sub. At the time, he was an insurance agent, but told Henry, "If you ever retire, I might be interested in your job."

When Kenny did get the job, one man scoffed, "You won't last six months!" "Maybe he'd seen me playing pool when I was supposed to be selling insurance," Kenny said wryly. But later the man admitted he was wrong, and complimented Kenny for doing an excellent job.

In the 1950s, a train brought mail to Springville. Postmaster Glenn Bowdish transported it from the Milwaukee Road depot to the post office on a push cart.

Kenny initially delivered the mail in a Plymouth station wagon, bought from Stambaugh Motors (the building Carnahans own now). He needed the space, as there was no UPS or Fed Ex then. "Imogene Smith sold Tupperware," he recalled, "and often she'd get three or four very big packages." Later he had an IH Scout.

The strangest thing he ever delivered? "Honey bees, to Bob Lam at Whittier," Kenny declared. "Some of them got out and were flying around in my car!"

On March 6, 1981, Kenny retired. In 1958, his mail route was 62 miles long, with 240 mailboxes. By 1981, it had grown to 88 miles and 510 mailboxes, and had to be divided into two routes.

REMINDERS

➤ Water meter readings & payments are due on the 15th of the month. Bills not paid in full by 8:00 am on the first business day following the due date shall be considered delinquent & subject to disconnect. Payments can be put in the drop box in the city door. Readings can be emailed to cityofsp@netins.net, or left on the answering machine at 854-6428.

➤ Deadline for items in the next newsletter /community calendar is **May 16th**.

➤ **Rudd Trash Tags** are available for **\$2** each at the City Clerk's office, Casey's General Store & Woody's One Stop. Recycle tubs are available at the Clerk's office for **\$14** each.

➤ **Golf cart permits** (\$25.00) available at City Hall, are required before you can operate them on city streets. Ordinance #3-2009 can be viewed at City Hall, or you can request a copy.

LIBRARY BOARD VACANCY

As of March 31, 2011 there will be a vacancy on the Board of Trustees for the Springville Memorial Library. This vacancy is to be filled by a resident of the City of Springville.

Public Library Boards have 5 primary roles:

- 1) Advocate for the library in the community and advocate for the community as a member of the library board.
- 2) Plan for the future of the library.
- 3) Monitor and evaluate the overall effectiveness of the library.
- 4) Set library policies.
- 5) Hire and evaluate the library director.

If you are interested in being appointed by the Mayor and City Council to fill this vacancy, paperwork may be picked up at City Hall or at the Library Completed paperwork is due to City Hall by April 30th.

Loebsack Representative to Hold Office Hours in Springville

A district representative from Congressman Loebsack's office will be on hand to work with individuals who are having difficulty with a government agency, have suggestions for the Congressman, or would just like to share their concerns. Members of the public are invited to attend at **Springville City Hall-1-2pm** If you are unable to attend these office hours but have a concern to share with the Congressman, please call our district office toll-free at 1-866-914-IOWA (4692). The dates for the remainder of the year are: **May 4th**; June 1st; July 6th; Aug. 3rd; Sept. 7th; Oct. 5th; Nov. 2nd; Dec. 7th

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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – April 04, 2011

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Ralston, Grimley, Shebetka and Ballantyne. One seat is vacant. Also present: Tom Miller, Steve Shaffer, Brandon French, Judy Rose, Jim Schnoebelen, Ken Yanna, Clair Lensing, Joel Rochleau, Jack Clothier, Kevin Hulett, Jack Peterson, Jim and Cindy Teig, J.W. and Robertson, Vince Dudek, Lavern and Susan Shadden, Ray Busness, Lyle Andersen, Karen Anderson, Mike and Dixie Brady, Bob and Pat Rose, Martha and Frits Lantermans, Vic Pittman, Doug Beard, Lena Gilbert, Michael Schultz, Steve Carnahan, Mary Gerdemann, and Todd Wyman.

Citizens With Concerns Not on the Agenda: none.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Dunn gave the patrol report for hours of service from March 14, 2011 through April 4, 2011. There were 43 calls for service.

Todd provided a written report for the council that included hauling of compost and sticks after chipping, burned brush pile at Emmons Park, replaced tubing on feed pump at Well #3, warranty repair of Lexmark mower at Rexco, cleaned storm intakes and painted the soccer field lines. Public Works is planning to take the fence down along the water tower, finish hauling out yard waste, clean up grass areas for mowing, take water nitrate samples and pre-draw down samples for discharge at the lagoon. Todd also noted he went to replace the light bulbs in the Springville sign and found that the lights are actually broken. There are also broken lights at Cox Lake Pavilion. Todd will look into replacing these lights with some sort of security lights that cannot be vandalized as easily. Also discussed: the light poles at Emmons Park that were designated for parking bumpers, likelihood of getting the street sweeper working and cleanup of the yard at 256 Broadway.

Mayor: Mayor Heeren attended a mayor's meeting on the LOST and NEIRL on purchasing policies.

Other Reports: The Clerk reported on the finance committee's meeting with a financial advisor from Ruan Securities. The committee met with the advisor to research funding sources for future bonding plans. Also in the council packet; building permit report, the March 1, 2011 Library Board minutes and February finance report, QTD and March overtime report.

Old Business: Nuisance Abatement – 173 Broadway: Smith did not file a motion to answer the court petition by the March 29th deadline, so Atty. Taylor will proceed with a hearing date to obtain ownership of the abandoned property.

Cedar Valley Humane Society: Brandon and Karen are researching insurance aspects of Brandon and/or the City being a holding facility for at-large or stray animals within the City.

New Business: IDOT Presentation: Jim Schnoebelen and Ken Yanna of IDOT were in attendance to give an updated presentation on the J-Turn intersection. Schnoebelen presented a summary of the information given at the October 16, 2010 public meeting. At that time 16 alternatives were presented. Discussion at the time of the meeting and written feedback provided by the citizens on the 16 alternatives was compiled. A technical group reviewed the report and determined

which alternatives to move forward on. Long term alternatives have been identified and each alternative will be further studied, dismissed or left in a category to remain current but not move forward on. Focus of the study will be on the construction of some type of an interchange. Construction, dependent on funding, earliest possible start date would probably be the fall of 2016. Funding for a project is not currently in the DOT 5 year program and is unlikely to be added in the next program to be approved in June 2011. Short term alternatives were also developed and will move forward subject to availability of funds.

Joint Meeting on Capital Equipment Purchase with Brown Township: Monday, April 11, 2011.

Public Hearing for FY 2011-2012 Budget: M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Ballantyne to set April 18, 2011 for the public hearing on adoption of the 2011-2012 FY budget. All ayes, motion carried.

American Legion, Flag Disposal: Lyle Anderson was present representing the American Legion in their request to use Cox Lake Pavilion for a flag disposal ceremony on June 12th. Bixler noted the pavilion was rented on that date for a family reunion. M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Ballantyne approving use of Cox Lake Pavilion on June 11th for a flag disposal ceremony by the Legion - at no charge. All ayes, motion carried.

STPA: Representative Mike Schultz thanked the council for its support of the annual STPA tractor pull event and requested council input on the following: City continue mowing the tractor pull site at \$25 per mowing, August 12th and 13 for tractor pull days, use of the hydrant at the pump shed for the tractor pull, continue the lease with Workman's, continue the sub-lease with STPA, continue liability coverage of the tractor pull site during the event and shut down of the yard waste site before and during the tractor pull event. Todd noted the \$25 charge was adequate to cover the cost of mowing the grounds. M/b Ballantyne, 2nd/b Ralston approving the request of STPA. All ayes, motion carried.

FY 2009-10 Audit: Roger asked that the item be tabled until the next council meeting.

CDBG Grants: The City was not funded for the sewer grant or the housing rehab grant. Discussion was held on the impact this would have on the sewer improvement project. Lack of funding would mean higher sewer charges on citizen's utility bills so the finance committee is researching alternate methods of bonding for the debt incurred by the sewer project.

John's Electric Invoices: Susan Cooper reported to the Clerk that John's Electric has completed electrical upgrades at the Library as requested by the Council and would like clarification on who was responsible for payment of the bill. M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Ralston directing payment of the bill be made from the library budget. All ayes, motion carried.

Judy Rose Cemetery Plot: Judy Rose was present to voice concerns about matters concerning the cemetery committee. Lengthy discussion was held on numerous matters involving the cemetery.

Correspondence was provided to the Council from Black Hills Energy and Elite Developers, LLC.

Special council meeting: **April 11, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.**, regular council meeting **April 18, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.**

M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Grimley to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Springville City Council/Brown Township Special Session – April 11, 2011

Mayor Heeren called the special meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:34 p.m. in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Mareta Ralston, Robin Ballantyne, Jeff Grimley, and Roger Shebetka. One seat is vacant. Also present: Steve Shaffer, Dennis Williams, Steve Lam, PJ Hoyt, George Richards and Chris Jacobs.

Specs for Proposed Pumper/Tanker Fire Engine: a hard copy of the specs for a 2012 7400 SBA 4X2 (SA625) pumper/tanker were provided to the council. Discussion centered on a top mount pump versus a side mount (mid ship) pump. Price of a top mount pump is \$304,005 and cost of a side mount pump truck is \$305,632. The department is undecided about which type of truck they prefer. Also discussed was the need for new truck ladders (24' ladder

consisting of a 10' roof ladder and a 10' attic ladder) and a "fold up, compartmentalized" water tank versus a rigid plastic water tank. A chassis would need to be built, there is not one on hand at the factory. The chassis takes 3 months to build and then 9-11 months to complete the truck.

Purchase of the truck between the 2 entities was discussed. The 1998 Alexis pumper tanker is currently owned as a 60/40 split between Brown Township and the City. The council requested that same 60/40 split for a fire pumper purchase between the two entities. Friends of the Springville Fire Department indicated they would also donate to the purchase of the truck. Two CD's worth approximately \$21,500 would also be put toward the purchase of the truck. The City would need to borrow for their portion of the final payment of the truck. The City is also considering the purchase of a new snow plow truck in conjunction with the purchase of the new pumper truck. Along with the fact that the City did not receive CDBG funding for the sewer improvement project and is currently considering options for financing of the project including use of LOST revenue - Council noted that while they are not against the purchase of a truck they felt that they did not want to make any decision until after the May 3rd LOST vote. The trustees in attendance will report this information to those trustees not in attendance.

Next council meeting: **April 18, 2011.**

M/b Grimley, 2nd/b Shebetka to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – April 18, 2011

Mayor Heeren called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. in Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Ralston, Grimley, Shebetka and Ballantyne. Also present: Tom Miller, Brandon French, Doug Beard, Dave Haugen, Michael Brady, Marie DeVries, Steve and Gladys McShane, Todd Wyman and Deputy Pavelka.

Consent Agenda: M/b Grimley, 2nd/b Shebetka to approve the consent agenda as posted. All ayes motion carried.

Citizens With Concerns Not on the Agenda: none.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Pavelka gave the patrol report for hours of service from April 04, 2011 through April 18, 2011. There were 26 calls for service.

Todd provided a written report for the council that included checking into the viability of the street sweeper, Spring discharge at the lagoon, patched on 6th and 7th Streets, meet with Bracy's on the shared fence and tore bushes out at the Springville sign and looked into replacement lighting for the sign. Public Works will start flushing hydrants, take the fence down at the water tower, start mowing and seed yard repairs necessitated from Winter snow plowing. Todd gave the council a letter from Linn County Secondary Roads concerning Discussion was held on an upcoming construction project on Springville Road consisting of concrete paving and shoulder work that will affect the entrance to the lagoon. Discussion was held on whether the culvert under the driveway should be replaced at this time. Todd thought the culvert was in good enough shape at the present moment, but will monitor the project to if the grading will affect the flow of water into the culvert.

Other Reports: Springville Library Board minutes from March 1, 2011. Bixler reported City Hall experienced a gas leak and Black Hills Energy was called for repair. The technician requested a support bracket be installed on the outside piping by the meter for support and the furnace room needs registers at the ceiling and floor for ventilation.

Old Business: Nuisance Abatement – 173 Broadway: the City Attorney has filed the necessary paper work requesting an order granting default judgment awarding title of the Smith property to the City.

Cedar Valley Humane Society: Brandon and Karen researched insurance aspects of Brandon and/or the City acting as a "holding facility" for at-large animals in the City. Both parties reported the insurance costs were prohibitive to such a venture. Atty. Taylor reviewed the proposed 28E Agreement for animal control services with Cedar Valley Humane Society. He pointed out several areas of concern that the

Clerk will ask Zach Melton about and then finalize the contract.

New Business: Oath of Office: The Oath of Office was given to Tom Miller. Miller was then seated at the council table. Miller fills the seat vacated by Heather Neff. Miller will serve till the next regular election on November 8, 2011.

Designate Brandon as a Permanent Employee: M/b Ballantyne, 2nd/b Miller designating Brandon French as a full-time, permanent employee. All ayes, motion carried.

Public Hearing for FY 2011-2012 Budget Amendment: M/b Ballantyne, 2nd/b Grimley to set May 16, 2011 for a public hearing on the 2010-2011 FY budget amendment. All ayes, motion carried.

Welcome to Springville Sign Maintenance: Todd reported on the condition of the Welcome to Springville Sign. Some of the shrubs are dead, the sign needs repainting and the spot lights are broken. Discussion was held on refurbishing the sign. Roger suggested the area be surrounded with landscape brick and the lighting be included in that area for protection. Todd is looking into industrial lighting for replacement of the current lighting that is damaged beyond repair. An Eagle Scout has volunteered to refurbish the sign as a community service project.

Website: M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Ralston for the Clerk to enroll in the Dreamweaver Level 1 website class to be held thru Kirkwood Community College from August 1st - August 10th. All ayes, motion carried.

Sewer Improvement: Dave Haugen of MSA was present for an update and discussion on the sewer improvement project. Dave explained reasons why the project was not granted CDBG funding. Discussion continued on the idea of reducing the scope of the project for this year and applying for the grant again next year, the fact that the project in its entirety does not address all the problems with the system, the process to move forward with the project and funding of the project. M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Ballantyne to move forward with the project and place a notice of bid letting to contractors, plan rooms, the MSA internet site and the Gazette. All ayes, motion carried.

Spring Meadows III: A request for designation of Spring Meadows III as an urban revitalization area was received from Elite Developers, LLC. With respect to a new residential development a city may meet "urban revitalization" criteria for residential development giving 100% tax abatement to the first \$75,000 of new value for a maximum of five years. Elite Developers will be contacted to attend the May 2nd council meeting for further discussion on the request.

Cemetery Mowing Contract: M/b Ballantyne, 2nd/b Miller approving a 3 year contract with K&H Mowing for cemetery mowing. All ayes, motion carried.

Linn County Solid Waste Presentation: Marie Devries from Linn County Solid Waste Agency gave a presentation on the services provided by the agency. M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Ballantyne approving **Resolution #5-2011; A Resolution Adopting the Annual Budget for the FY Ending June 30, 2012.** Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

M/b Grimley, 2nd/b Ballantyne approving **Resolution #6-2011; A Resolution Establishing Recognition of Volunteerism, Dedication and Commitment to the City of Springville.**

Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Correspondence was noted from Vanguard Appraisals, Inc. in reference to reappraisal of all commercial property in Linn County.

Next regular council meeting **May 2, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**

M/b Shebetka, 2nd/b Grimley to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Special Election on Local Option Sales Tax.

Springville voters have the opportunity to vote on May 3, 2011 on whether the current 1% Local Option Sales Tax should run another twenty years. If approved, the tax would add 1% to the pre-tax cost of sales and services through July 1, 2034. The special election will be May 3, 2011. Springville residents may vote at the Springville Public Library

from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Rural residents may vote at their general election polling location. Passage of this measure in Springville requires a "yes" vote by a majority of Springville voters who cast a ballot on the question. If this measure is approved, the Springville City Council stated the sales and services tax proceeds would continue to be used for the purposes approved in 2009, which were infrastructure improvement including:

- storm sewer
- sewer
- water
- park/Recreation improvements
- residential development
- streets & curb/gutter

LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX AT WORK IN SPRINGVILLE

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| Reserved Balance May 2009: | \$34,655.72 |
| Received 1 st LOST payment of: | \$13,337.82 |
| from LOST referendum in June 2009 | |
| FY 2009-10 beginning balance: | \$47,993.54 |
| FY 2009-10 total income: | <u>\$143,355.86</u> |
| | \$191,329.40 |
| Expenditures: | <u>7,985.00</u> |
| Well #2 pump & a new motor, maintenance & re-install | |
| FY 2009-10 end balance | \$183,364.00 |
| FYTD 2010-11 total income: | <u>\$107,242.09</u> |
| | 290,606.49 |
| Expenditures: | |
| new sewer main on Mill Street | 36,667.00 |
| residential street improvements | <u>21,592.00</u> |
| 03/31/2011 Balance | \$232,347.49 |

Also, in December 2008 before the LOST referendum, LOST funding of \$33,598 was used to complete a much needed water main extension on 4th Street. Current plans are to grow the \$232,347 current balance to offset expenses for street and storm sewer repairs required due to the wastewater renovation project. This would allow for more sewer main and manhole reconstruction in the project. Funding is also designated for continued residential street improvements.

CEMETERY SPRING CLEANUP

Springville Code of Ordinances Chapter 115, Section 115.04 Decorations:
All grave decorations will be removed by March 15th and again on October 15th for cemetery beautification.
New decorations may be placed two (2) weeks after removal.
Easter Lilies and such decorations will be removed two (2) weeks after Easter.
All floral arrangements without a vase will be removed following Memorial Day.
Any artificial arrangement placed in the ground will be removed after two (2) weeks.
Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our cemetery clean and neat!

SEDC

The Springville Economic Development Corporation May meeting will be held on Thursday, May 12 at 7AM at Security State Bank. All are invited to attend. The organization is still in the process of creating a website and a welcome packet for distribution to realtors and any newcomers or potential newcomers. If your membership has lapsed or if you have never been a member, we encourage you to join the organization now. For a complete list of accomplishments and projects in progress, please contact anyone of the executive committee: John Keizer-President, Lena Gilbert-Vice President, Joel Rochleau-Secretary, or Tami Gillmore-Treasurer.

FARMERS' MARKET

Thank you to all who shopped at our indoor market this past fall and winter. The summer market is just around the corner. Please mark your calendars for Tuesdays from 4 to 6P beginning **June 7** through and including **August 30**. The summer market is held at the Cox Lake Pavilion. Vendors, growers, bakers and crafters are already looking forward to our ever



growing, popular summer market. Vendor space is still available and for more information any and all interested parties may contact Lena Gilbert, market manager, 854-7097 or justlena@netins.net.

QUILTERS IN SPRINGVILLE

We have some very talented quilters in Springville! They meet at Shelly's restaurant monthly. Everyone is welcome. This quilt completed by Karen Anderson was finished with blocks designed by each of her sisters, sister-in-laws, and mother.



NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
May 2nd-May 6th

Without Teachers, there would be no school...
 Without a School, there would be fewer kids...
 With fewer kids, there would be fewer families...
 With fewer families, there would be a Smaller Springville.

PLEASE HELP C.A.S.T. SAY "THANK YOU" TO OUR SPRINGVILLE TEACHERS!

If you would like to help and do something special, please call Shelly Pearson 319-329-4373 or Dee Wagaman 981-0813

C.A.S.T.

COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL TOGETHER

ATTENTION!!!!



It has been reported there have been 3-wheelers running in the cemetery. Please respect this area and remember **THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED** in the cemetery!

A SANSI THANK YOU

Janet reported the Easter Egg Hunt held April 23rd was a huge success! There were lots of children, with parents and grandparents. A special thanks to the American Legion, Woody's and Casey's for their contributions to the prizes.



HISTORY OF MOTHER'S DAY

The idea of official celebration of Mothers day in US was first suggested by [Julia Ward Howe](#) in 1872. An activist, writer and poet Julia shot to fame with her famous Civil War song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic". Julia Ward Howe suggested that June 2 be annually celebrated as Mothers Day and should be dedicated to peace. She wrote a passionate appeal to women and urged them to rise against war in her famous [Mothers Day Proclamation](#), written in Boston in 1870. She also initiated a Mothers' Peace Day observance on the second Sunday in June in Boston and held the meeting for a number of years. Julia tirelessly championed the cause of official celebration of Mothers Day and declaration of official holiday on the day. Her idea spread but was later replaced by the Mothers' Day holiday now celebrated in May.

SPRINGVILLE CITY WIDE GARAGE SALES

2011 Garage Sale Sign up Form – Sale Date: **Saturday, June 4th, 8am to 4pm**

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address of Garage Sale: _____

Items you will be selling:

children's clothing toys

adult clothing small appliances

household/housewares antiques

furniture collectibles

lawn & garden items tools

books/cds pet care items

specific item/s: _____

specific item/s: _____



Payment: \$5.00, Advertising Fee (Linn Newsletter, Town Crier, Mt. Vernon-Lisbon Sun, Springville Newsletter, local cable channels, signs & maps)

Cash _____ Date Paid

Check _____ Check # & Date Paid



Pet First Aid Class

When your pet needs first aid you don't have time to make a mistake!
Sign up for this Emergency Care and Safety Institute course in Pet First Aid.
It can teach you the skills you need to save your pet's life!

Date: Saturday, May 14

Time: 9 a.m-3 p.m.

Location:
Kirkwood Community College
Animal Health Technology Building
Cedar Rapids

Cost: \$40 Includes reference book, ECSI Pet First Aid Certification valid for three years & refreshments



Please bring your lunch and leave your pets at home!

REGISTER TODAY at www.cvhumane.org
For more information, contact Jan Clarke at (319) 362-6288 or jan.clarke@cvhumane.org