

**Village of Spring Valley**

**Village Board – Regular meeting minutes**

**January 29 2018**

**Call to Order:** President Brunkhorst called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers Village Hall.

**Members Present:** Ducklow, Huepfel, Jacobson, Falde, O'Connell, Vorlicek

**Members Absent:**

**Others present:** Clerk/Treasurer Emerson, Cedar Corporation, DuBois

**Approval of Minutes: Motion (Jacobson/Huepfel) to approve 1/3/2018 and 12/5/2017 minutes. Carried**

**Approval of Agenda: Motion (O'Connell/Jacobson) to approve agenda. Carried.**

**Appearances:**

- 1) **Motion (O'Connell/Vorlicek) to accept Well 4 construction bid of \$195,000 from Mineral Service Plus contingent on PSC approval and contingent on acceptable Well House bid. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Huepfel, Jacobson, Falde, O'Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Carried.**
- 2) **Motion (Jacobson/Falde) to accept \$500,000 interim financing, General Obligation note for DNR projects from Bremer Bank. Tax exempt, 3.2% fixed for one year, no bank fees, attorney fees up to \$250 payable by village. Ducklow and Emerson will sign papers when President Brunkhorst is unavailable. Vote: Ayes: Vorlicek, O'Connell, Falde, Jacobson, Huepfel, Ducklow, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Carried.**
- 3) The appraisal process has begun on SVHRC, a focus group of community people is being formed to provide input on necessity to the community as a balance to the financial aspects. No action.
- 4) Public Works: proceed with scheduled skid-steer trade program; up to 3 days ditch brushing from Street Maintenance budget; updates to Bahr Street culvert and reservoir project easements provided by Cedar; North 4<sup>th</sup> Street sewer line freezes at bridge deck, possible corrections will be looked at by PW. Interest has been shown in purchase of well house 2 after the well has been abandoned, Emerson will find lot size and neighboring property owners.
- 5) **Motion (Falde/Jacobson) to approve Sean O'Brien, Tamara O'Brian Operator's License. Carried.**
- 6) **Motion (Jacobson/Huepfel) to approve pay requests and Treasurer's report as presented. Carried.**
- 7) **March meeting date set for Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Police:** 2 citations issued, Sovereign Citizen training in Ellsworth will be attended by all police officers, year is off to a good start. Accepted as presented.

**Library:** 2018 is in full swing, Friends of the Library has been a good support group.

**Clerk:** PW has received compliments on the plowing after the big snow fall. Tax due date is Wednesday. Audit starts February 12<sup>th</sup>. Primary election is February 20<sup>th</sup>.

**President:** Ambulance purchase is on track. Runs for the year were consistent with prior years. Flooring estimate for the training room is at \$8800 but that is an old estimate. ES will get current numbers.

**Motion (Jacobson/O'Connell) to go into closed session pursuant to WI State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business.**

**Motion (O'Connell/Jacobson) to go into open session**

**No action from closed session**

**Motion (Jacobson/O'Connell) to adjourn. Carried.**

Respectfully submitted Luann Emerson, Clerk

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