Village of Spring Valley
Village Board – Regular meeting minutes
November 6, 2019



Call to Order: President Brunkhorst called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. in Council Chambers Village Hall.

Members Present: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Falde, Huepfel, O'Connell

Members Absent: Jacobson, Vorlicek

Staff present: Clerk/Treasurer Emerson, Chief Verges

Approval of Minutes: Motion (Ducklow/O'Connell) to approve October 2nd 2019 minutes. Carried. Approval of Agenda: Motion (O'Connell/Huepfel) to approve agenda with addition of item 7a. Carried.

Appearances: None

Action items:

- 1) Several places within the Village were identified as known places where speeding takes place, usually by habitual offenders. Various means will be used: patrol/ticketing, speed trailer, signs. The situation will be reviewed again as needed.
- **2)** Mattison was not present.
- 3) Several concerns were raised both for and against the purchase of a second squad. Directive to sell 2007 as is. Purchase of another vehicle tabled until next meeting when all ES committee members are present and the interviews for a fulltime officer have taken place.
- 4) Purchase of flooring for Fire/Ambulance hall tabled until November 21 meeting.
- 5) Motion (Falde/O'Connell) to approve change in uniform/other supplier from Cintas to Huebsch.
- 6) Cedar will proceed with application for Multimodal Local Supplement and Discretionary grant applications. Both center around the bike path extension and Safe Route to School as the elementary school prepares to move to the Hwy CC campus.
- 7) Motion (O'Connell/Ducklow) to approve Skid Steer Guy LLC pay ap No. 5 Final for \$3,162.82 Well #4 finishing site work. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Falde, Huepfel, O'Connell. Nays: none. Carried.
- **7a.) Motion (O'Connell/Falde)** to approve Albrightson Excavating, Inc. pay ap No. 1 for \$81,647.28 North Water Main Loop. Vote: Ayes: O'Connell, Huepfel, Falde, Ducklow, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Carried.
- 8) Motion (Falde/Huepfel) to accept low bid from Great Plains Structures \$354,777.00 for the reservoir. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Falde, Huepfel, O'Connell. Nays: none. Carried. The reservoir project cost in excess of grant award is \$95,802.75.
- **9)** Clinic lease is in process.
- 10) Motion (Ducklow/O'Connell) to approve Operator's License for Sarah Claire White at Sneakers. Carried.
- 11) Updated census is 26. The bill for bed licenses was paid. Current bed tax is \$170/bed/month. Motion (Ducklow/O'Connell) to delicense 10 beds. Vote: Ayes: Ducklow, Falde. Nays: Huepfel/O'Connell. Abstain: Brunkhorst. Motion failed. A December 15 deadline will be considered on the December agenda. Snow removal on sidewalks is still being worked out, Village will do initial plow to keep open and clear when Village streets are done.
- 12) PW met with DOT about the 2021 project to resurface Hwy 29, some other repairs will be done at that time including curb and storm sewer, a meeting will be scheduled with property owners to update them on the project and evaluate sidewalk conditions. Retaining wall will be replaced without steps.
- 13) Motion (O'Connell/Huepfel) to approve pay requests and Treasurer's report
- 14) December meeting is Wednesday December 4th 2019 6:15 p.m.

Library – Meet & Greet with new Chief of Police and Author is scheduled for February 8th. Hot Spot project has been very successful. Long range plan for library when elementary school moves is being considered.

Police report – Interviews scheduled for November 12th; three candidates will be interviewed. GM has a Lease-to-Own program when it comes time to replace the 2014 squad. Computer upgrades are in process to comply with State requirements. 200 Trick-or-Treaters got Glo-Sticks.

Municipal Development – Realtor will be advertising the lots along with a builder as a "To-be-Built" product on the MLS giving them more exposure, directive to Emerson to sign the amendment. Playground project has dropped the splashpad as cost is considerably more than originally expected. Grants have been applied for; current fundraising level is at \$18,337.29. New Christmas decorations have been ordered and will be here in time for decorating on November 25th. Local businesses have volunteered to help decorate the light poles. Aarynn Bosshart will update web site to include pictures of Community Center, Handy Andy,

- Motion (Falde/O'Connell) to go into closed session pursuant to WI State Statute 19.85 (1)(c)
 Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. For the purpose of employee compensation.
- Motion (Ducklow/Huepfel) to go back into open session.

Motion (Falde/O'Connell) to approve proposed budget for General Fund, Water Utility, Sewer Utility as discussed. Votes: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Falde, Huepfel, O'Connell. Nays: none. Carried. Public Hearing for budget, set levy and mil rate will be Thursday November 21, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

President's report – Emmaus held a meeting concerning their purchase of the old elementary gym once the school moves and if that facility could be used for a Community Center. What would that CC be used for? Is there enough demand for two CC in Spring Valley? Many "ifs" and probably future meetings.

Clerk's report – St. Croix County will have a Congressional District 7 seat vacated by Sean Duffy in August. Old café is on a Stop Order from Todd Dolan until state plans have been approved. Three board members are up for election in 2020 (Jacobson, Huepfel, O'Connell) their nomination papers will be ready December 1st. Pierce County Tourism Coalition looking for participants for a research project.

Motion (Jacobson/Huepfel) to adjourn 9:10 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted Luann Emerson, Clerk