

Village of Spring Valley
 Village Board – Monthly meeting minute
 October 6, 2021

Call to Order: President Brunkhorst called the meeting to order at 6:21 p.m. in Council Chambers

Members Present: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Erickson, Lukes, O'Connell, Vorlicek

Members Absent: Olson

Staff present: Clerk/Treasurer Emerson, Chief Verges, Cedar rep

Approval of Minutes: **Motion (Vorlicek/O'Connell)** to approve 9/1/21 minutes. Carried.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion (O'Connell/Lukes)** to approve agenda, several items rearranged to accommodate attendees.

Appearances: John Groh, Spring Valley Schools Superintendent addressed the board with updates on the new elementary school building and old elementary demolition. The demo was delayed for 2 reasons, DNR Watershed permit and Collegiate Gothic Architecture reference structure. The new elementary school is \$2.4M under budget, there are specific spending limitations on that remaining funding. Vorlicek asked about the walk/bike path, there is a Strategic Planning listening session scheduled for Wednesday October 13 from 6-8 p.m. where this could be addressed.

Action items:

Library report: Programs continue to be well attended. Book club met at Vino in the Valley last month. There was mini golf, and a magic show for Dam Days in addition to the raffle baskets. Schneider continues to work with the school to increase circulation. Upcoming events include movies, traveling book club with St. Croix County, and a kid's Halloween party. Schneider will be working for home while on maternity leave. Library will be closed Saturdays during Dec/January.

1) Revenue bonding and GO bonding were reviewed briefly. Special Board meeting October 13 to approve.

2) **Motion (O'Connell/Erickson)** to approve Haas Sons Inc pay ap #2 \$433,813.42. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Erickson, Lukes, O'Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Absent: Olson. Carried.

3) **PW updates:** Greg Adams from Cedar Corp gave a progress report on Eau Galle Rd. He will be applying to DOA for an extension into 2022, the first lift should be put on before winter. Cty B project from Pierce Cty Hwy will include replacement of culvert that are failing. The budget has been cleaned up and will be presented later in the meeting. A padlock will be put on the warming house until winter.

4) **Motion (Erickson/Lukes)** to purchase 2022 Ford Expedition to replace the current 2014 squad. Voice vote, Carried.

5) **Motion (Ducklow/O'Connell)** to renew Medica health insurance. Carried.

6) **Motion (Vorlicek/Erickson)** to renew Bowmar assessor contract for 3 another 3 years and include a revaluation of properties in 2024, to be on the 2025 Assessor's Roll. Vote: Ayes: Vorlicek, O'Connell, Lukes, Erickson, Ducklow, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Absent: Olson. Carried

7) **Motion (Lukes/Erickson)** to renew EMC as property, liability, WC carrier. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Erickson, Lukes, O'Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Abstain: Ducklow. Absent: Olson. Carried.

8) The Village Board will be proposing to SVHRC board to reduce the contracted management fee to \$2000/month.

9) **Motion (Vorlicek/Ducklow)** to approve Resolution 10-6-21(a) Resolution of Village of Spring Valley Designating Representative for the West Central Wisconsin Biosolids Facility. Member Representative Steven Kirby, Alternate Representative Luann Emerson. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Erickson, Lukes, O'Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Absent: Olson. Carried.

10) **Motion (Ducklow/O'Connell)** to approve Quit-Claim deed conveying two unidentified parcels on the old elementary school grounds to the school. Vote: Ayes: Vorlicek, O'Connell, Lukes, Erickson, Ducklow, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Absent: Olson. Carried

11) **Motion (O'Connell/Erickson)** to approve Resolution 10-6-21 Resolution Adopting the Ward Plan for Village of Spring Valley. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Erickson, Lukes, O'Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Absent: Olson. Carried.

12) **2022 budget** was presented. There were a few adjustments to be made in General Fund, Water Fund, Sewer Fund. **Budget Public Hearing** set for Wednesday November 3rd before monthly board meeting.

13) **Motion (Ducklow/Lukes)** to approve pay requests and Treasurer's report. Carried.

14) **South 2nd Street Vacation Public Hearing** set for Wednesday November 3rd before monthly board meeting

15) **November meeting date Wednesday November 3, 6:15 p.m.**

Police – Many hours were worked for Dam Days and everything went well with very few issues. Chief also helped with Homecoming Parade. Squad had repair work done. Two air purifiers were purchased with PPE Grant funds. 50 incidences were reported.

Municipal Development – Green space in the downtown area is being looked at, having conversations with Emmaus Church. Beth Deutsch is up for approval as village resident at large committee member.

Clerk's report – A statement will be posted at Community Center about COVID guidelines during rental events.

President's report – none

Motion (Ducklow/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 discussing employee compensation for 2022 budget.

Motion (Ducklow/O'Connell) to go back into open session

Motion (Lukes/Erickson) to adjourn 9:10 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted

Luann Emerson, Clerk

Marsha Brunkhorst, President