

Village of Spring Valley
 Village Board – Monthly meeting minutes
 January 26, 2022

Call to Order: President Brunkhorst called the meeting to order at 6:19 p.m. in Council Chambers

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

Members Absent: Ducklow, Lukes

Staff present: Emerson, Lilly

Approval of Minutes: Motion (O'Connell/Vorlicek) to approve 1/5/2022 minutes. Carried.

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

Appearances: Mike Wentlandt appeared to voice disapproval with a bill he received for sewer repair and that residents should not be billed; it should be a service of the Village. Emerson stated the Wentlandt situation had extenuating circumstances, these services are not typically billed.

Action items:

- 1) **Motion (O'Connell/Erickson)** to approve Resolution #1-26-22 Authorized Representative to File Applications for Financial Assistance from State of Wisconsin Environmental Improvement Fund (for DNR lead Service Line) grant. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Erickson, O'Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none Absent: Ducklow, Lukes. Carried.
- 2) Residents of 3 specific properties on north McKay were present to discuss conveyance of a parcel currently owned by ACOE. ACOE would convey the parcel back to Village, the Village would then convey the parcel back to the property owners. The Village is not opposed to the process being done, but they're not going to pay to have it cleaned up; property owners would have to pay for the survey and CSM themselves, and cover any additional costs. Property owners contest ownership because their deeds do not reflect the property line claimed by ACOE. Deeds show ownership to the middle of Eau Galle River. Village Board suggests requesting documentation from ACOE. Property owners will do additional research and keep the Village updated.
- 3) **Motion (O'Connell/Erickson)** to approve Claudia Traynor, CPA TID grant \$4,125. Carried.
- 4) TID 2 extension: Brunkhorst and Emerson will meet with Ehlers regarding options available and Village intent on funding use if the TID is extended. No action.
- 5) **Motion (O'Connell/Erickson)** to approve pay requests and Treasurers as presented.
- 6) **Confirm March meeting scheduled for Tuesday 2/22/2022 6:15 p.m.**

Police – Office Lilly reported 18 incidents for January, down from 49 in 2021.

Municipal Development – Still looking for prices on CC remodel. Met with Cedar to talk about long range plans, true needs of the Village for housing.

Public Works – Skating rink has been getting a lot of use, electrical upgrades are needed to complete what Terry Shafer started. Dump truck had a major breakdown, Kirby will watch for replacements directed to spend no more than \$28,000. Basketball/pickleball court design continues in order to be ready for this summer.

Care Center update – Census 26, Education nurse hired to get CNA classes running again; DON looking into benefits that would attract employees such as flex schedules.

Clerk's report – Audit starts week of February 7th, election on February 15th. Bremer Bank is shutting down its South Broadway location. Property tax collections winding down.

President's report – ES report: Cady is losing a portion of their territory near I94, they will now stop at 50th Ave, United will cover that territory.

Motion (O'Connell/Vorlicek) to go into closed session pursuant to WI State Statute 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. For the purpose of discussing sale of Westland Meadows Business Park lot and rent of clinic building.

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

Action: Motion (O'Connell/Vorlicek) to offer Wausau Homes the front 4 acres of Westland Meadows Business Park at an agreed upon price per acre. Negotiations will continue.

Directive to Emerson to offer rental of clinic building to local business on a 1-year trial basis.

Motion (O'Connell/Vorlicek) to adjourn 8:15 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted

Luann Emerson, Clerk

Marsha Brunkhorst, President