

Village of Spring Valley
Village Board – Regular meeting
July 5th, 2017

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, Wendy Sander Cedar Corp, **PWD Howe**

Public Hearing to vacate Red Fox Run and discontinue that portion located within the Silver Fox Fun 2nd

Addition, Village of Spring Valley. Sander explained the vacation and reestablishment process. No one was present with concerns for this public hearing.

Public Hearing for 2017 sidewalk project special assessments. Emerson relayed 4 phone-in statements: Zimmerman is already being assessed for the So. Second Street project and cannot absorb the sidewalk assessment along with the other improvements he has to do to his building; S&H sees that some of their property is bad but not all of it however, he understands the cost associated with piece-meal repair, please keep in contact with him on final costs and whether or not TID money will be available; Traynor’s ramp was put in as a fix to a previous McKay Ave street construction error and doesn’t believe he should be responsible for costs to redo it, he will pay for the rest of his sidewalk curb & gutter repair; Barnes believe they have zero lot lines so their front footage needs to be remeasured. All of these concerns have been noted and will be addressed as the project continues. No one was present with concerns for this public hearing.

Approval of Minutes: Motion (Huepfel/O’Connell) to approve minutes as presented. Carried.

Approval of Agenda: Motion (Jacobson/Vorlicek) to approve agenda. Carried.

Appearances: Scott Mathison introduced himself as an agent now working with Arneson Insurance.

- 1) **Motion (Jacobson/Falde) to approve Resolution 7-5-17 Vacating a Portion of Red Fox Run, A dedicated Public Street in the Village of Spring Valley. Vote: ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Huepfel, Jacobson, Falde, O’Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Carried**
- 2) **Motion (Jacobson/Vorlicek) to allow Howe to accept lowest bid on the sidewalk project. Carried.**
- 3) Bob McMurrin requested installation of a temporary driveway on village land at ACOE sight. They have flag burning and other events during the year where accessibility is an issue. Current access requires a long walk over rugged, uneven terrain, and ACOE will no longer allow mowing of their property at that site. Driveway would be at Boy Scouts expense. **Motion (O’Connell/Huepfel) to allow temporary driveway as presented. Carried.**
- 4) A group of citizens requested funding for new carpet at the Community Center and they will oversee the project on their own time. **Motion (O’Connell/Vorlicek) to approve \$2500 toward cost of carpet. Any increased costs will be covered by another organization. Carried.**
- 5) **Motion (Jacobson/Falde) to accept Ehlers proposal to assist with financing for pending water utility projects, SDWF Loan Program, SDWL application process and loan closing process, interim financing. Vote: Ayes: Vorlicek, O’Connell, Falde, Jacobson, Huepfel, Ducklow, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Carried.**
- 6) **Motion (Ducklow/O’Connell) to approve Resolution 7-5-17(a) Application for Exemption from County Library Tax for St. Croix County. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Huepfel, Jacobson, Falde, O’Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Carried.**
- 7) **Motion (Ducklow/Jacobson) to approve Mineral Services Plus invoice No. 2 for \$28,482.70 for test well, including change order. Vote: Ayes: Vorlicek, O’Connell, Falde, Jacobson, Huepfel, Ducklow, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Carried.**
- 8) **Motion (Jacobson/Falde) to approve Albrightson Excavating, Inc invoice for \$74,772.66 for Red Fox Run Development. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Huepfel, Jacobson, Falde, O’Connell, Vorlicek. Nays: none. Carried.**
- 9) Storm siren at Van Buren and Beltline Road no longer works. After sound test and cost check with Federal Signal Corporation, it would be more cost effective to replace the one larger siren with 2 smaller sirens and place them so Westland Business Park, Mines Creek Village, Silver Fox Drive, and Red Fox Run will all have storm warning sirens audible in their areas. These four neighborhoods currently have no storm siren warning. Buntville would continue to receive storm warning with the new sirens as well. Replacing Van Buren/Beltline siren in the same location would be at 2/3 cost of 2 smaller sirens and only warn the

existing Buntville location. **Motion (Ducklow/Huepfel) to replace sirens at a cost not to exceed \$34,500. Chief DuBois will order and coordinate installation. Carried.**

- 10) **Motion (Jacobson/Ducklow) to approve Operators' Licenses for Wallin, Linder, Larson, Vorwald. Carried**
- 11) **PW updates: Assessment on alley project will begin; WE Energies should be starting this month. Accepted as presented.**
- 12) **Treasurer's Report: Accepted as presented.**
- 13) **Next meeting date is Thursday August 3rd, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Emerson will notice date change.**

Police: 4 traffic and ordinance citations issued. Presentation given to recreation park staff on SVPD services, ES Safety Day was a great success with estimated 250 people attending. Chief DuBois is working with Drivers Education program for future presentations. Preparation continues for July 4 and Dam Days.

Finance: Fund availability for Severe Weather Siren replacement was discussed this month.

Library: Working to sustain the 5% Pierce County increase in funding; it could be retracted. Work begins on next years budget.

Clerk: Election updates for 2018: WEC is piloting electronic poll books in the Spring election, Emerson will hear a webinar on "America's Changing and Embattled Election System" presented through U of MN. First utility bills went out with the rate increases. ETF is revamping their entire reporting system for WRS, trainings have begun.

President: Joint Review Board will meet for TID 2 & 3 Annual Report review by all taxing districts. Brunkhorst will attend an Executive Meeting/Village Board Conference in August. O'Connell will attend a Board Conference in Appleton.

Motion (O'Connell/Vorlicek) to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Luann Emerson Clerk

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