

Village of Spring Valley**Village Board – Monthly meeting minutes****July 6 2022****Call to Order:** President Brunkhorst called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. in Council Chambers**Members Present:** Brunkhorst, Erickson, Huepfel, Jorgenson, Lukes, O'Connell**Members Absent:** Vorlicek**Staff present:** Clerk Emerson**Approval of Minutes: Motion (O'Connell/Lukes)** to approve 6/2 minutes. Carried.**Approval of Agenda: Motion (Erickson/Jorgenson)** to approve agenda, add Mun Dev. Carried.**Appearances:** None.**Library report:** Kickoff party and Snake Rattle and Roll were well attended; an obstacle course on getting out of a fire was built for Safety Day, 92 kids enjoyed crawling through it; Shelving from MS/HS was purchased for \$500 saving over \$30,000 cost of new; many fun events have been booked/planned for Dam Days, watch for details; due to limited availability of staff and decreased traffic library hours have changed M-TH 9-6, F 9-5, closed Saturday; staffing needs to be addressed.**Action items:**

- 1) **Motion (Huepfel/Jorgenson)** to approve Section 6-13(e) Keeping of Chickens allowed. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Erickson, Huepfel, Jorgenson, Lukes, O'Connell. Nays: none. Absent: Vorlicek. Carried. **Motion (Erickson/O'Connell)** to approve Section 58-591(g)(1) Portable Storage Containers allowed. Vote: Ayes: O'Connell, Lukes, Jorgenson, Huepfel, Erickson, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Absent: Vorlicek. Carried. **Motion (Jorgenson/Erickson)** to approve changes to Ord. 18-7 Lawn and grass length regulated at 6"; due process hearing deleted. Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Erickson, Huepfel, Jorgenson, Lukes, O'Connell. Nays: none. Absent: Vorlicek. Carried. **Motion (Huepfel/Lukes)** to approve changes to Ord. 22-91 allowing clerk to issue Operators Licenses. Vote: Ayes: O'Connell, Lukes, Jorgenson, Huepfel, Erickson, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Absent: Vorlicek. Carried.
- 2) **Motion (O'Connell/Huepfel)** to approve Personnel as follows: PW uses a timeclock, all others exempt: Vesting for vacation and sick time payout will be three years employment with the Village, if an employee leaves with less than 3 years consecutive employment payouts will not be owed; Good Friday name change to Spring Holiday, Floating Holiday name change to Personal Day, Holidays name change to Calendar Holidays; Paid by check will be Paid by Direct Deposit and remove "checks issued after 9 a.m."; Mileage reimbursement will change from \$.35/mile to "paid at Federal rate for business". Vote: Ayes: Brunkhorst, Erickson, Huepfel, Jorgenson, Lukes, O'Connell. Nays: none. Absent: Vorlicek. Carried. The following items are tabled until a future meeting: Vacation carryover, Overtime for PW for all weekend hours, OT for emergency calls and after hours, on-call pay, allowing vacation before 6-month probation period is over, paid time day before an after for holiday pay.
- 3) **Motion (Huepfel/Lukes)** to approve pay #6 – Haas on Eau Galle Road. \$90,990.96. Vote: Ayes: O'Connell, Lukes, Jorgenson, Huepfel, Erickson, Brunkhorst. Nays: none. Absent: Vorlicek. Carried.
- 4) PW updates: Shafer Lawn Care is raising rates. Well #3 starts soon.
- 5) SVHCC updates: Brunkhorst reviewed option for cash available at Bremer Bank if borrowing will be done to fund upgrades. Brunkhorst will check date for combined meeting with Village and SVHCC boards. Census was 28 or 29 when last checked.
- 6) **Accepted as presented** pay requests and Treasurers as presented.
- 7) **August board meeting is Thursday August 11th at 6:15 p.m.**
Emergency Services – Erickson: Officer Lilly met with vendors for technology upgrades and is awaiting quotes; two grants were announced for body armor and LEA from state; new squad research and info continues; continuity of operation going well; junk vehicle and weed ordinances being addressed; July 4 weekend went well, no issues to report. 50 incidents reported, up 4 from May. Accepted as presented. Committee meeting 7/11 5:30 p.m.
Municipal Development – Additional electrical work has been done including sub panel, fluorescent lights, and fixing entry light.
Board of Appeals – Hemry request for outdoor solid core fuel burner was approved.

Clerk's report – 4 building permits were issued for new homes, 3 other remodel/deck permits were issued; P.I.G. was sold to GFL (Green for Life); partisan primary August 9th. Rock the Block with Habitat will be moved to spring 2023.

President's report –none.

Motion (Lukes/Erickson) to adjourn 7:48 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted

Luann Emerson, Clerk

Marsha Brunkhorst, President