

Minutes of Regular Session

Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Board of Trustees meeting on September 14, 2016 at 7:00 pm, 154 N. Lexington Street, Spring Green Wisconsin.

1. **Call to order:** Gene Hausner, Village President called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Roll call of Village Board members:** Members present were Gene Hausner, Robin Reid, Joel Marcus, Norm Miller, Grace Timmerman, Vern Demers and Michael Broh. Also present were Wendy Crary, Linda Schwanke, Greg Jewell, Kevin Wilkins, Diane Baryenbruch, Kelly Feiner, Todd Mieden, Ed Lilla, Shannon Radel, Tim Zumm and Jenny Pappas.
3. **Approve Minutes:** Reid moved and Demers seconded to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2016 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.
4. **Review and approve agenda:** Hausner requested to move Old Business after New Business. Broh moved and Demers seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.
5. **Consent agenda:** Timmerman asked for Item e to be removed for further discussion. Demers moved and Miller seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:
 - a. Approval of Financial Report
 - b. Approval of Disbursements
 - c. Approval of an Operator's License for William Fleischauer, 153 W. Madison St., Spring Green, WI
 - d. Approval of a request submitted by Diane Baryenbruch on behalf of the Spring Green Arts & Crafts Fair to hold the 48th Annual Spring Green Arts & Crafts Fair on June 24 & 25, 2017 and to close Jefferson Street from Winsted Street to Wood Street at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 23, 2017 and remain closed for the duration of the Art FairMotion carried.

Item 5e: Timmerman asked if the fire department has been notified of the Homecoming bonfire request. Crary stated the request was forwarded to Chief Gunderson. Miller noted there is always a fire truck on scene during the duration of the bonfire. Timmerman moved and Reid seconded to approve the request submitted by Darby Blakley – River Valley High School to hold a bonfire at the High School on Thursday, October 6th and to hold a Homecoming Parade on the streets of Spring Green on Friday, October 7th as presented. Motion carried.

7. **New Business:**
 - a. Miller moved and Broh seconded to approve the Application for Keeping Chickens submitted by Hillary and Ed Lilla for Adelaide Lilla, parcel #182-0463 located at 158 N. Wood Street as presented. Motion carried.
 - b. Shannon Radel explained her request to utilize the municipal pool for a Spring Green Dog Park event, noting other area communities do similar events. Crary stated the pool is utilized by the school until September 30th and Janice Crook raised a few concerns regarding lifeguard staffing and dog hair. Radel stated no people would be allowed in the pool, only dogs. Mieden stated since dog hair is so fine, his concern would be filters and/or impellers getting plugged; if this were to happen it would result in a lot of heavy work. Radel stated she could do more checking and gather more information. Marcus suggested asking the Goodman Pool in Madison as they do a similar event. Broh asked Mieden if he could contact the Cross Plains Pool to get their comments. Reid stated this is a good idea all the way around and even if it does not happen this year, the legwork for a future event could get done this year. Hausner asked about the health of the animals, swimming in chlorine. Radel stated she did not know, but that would be a good question to ask. Crary stated there is some maintenance work that needs to be done at the pool yet this year, which cannot be

- done until after the pool is shut down for the year. Radel stated she would gather more information. No action taken.
- c. Broh stated the Village was approached by Eagle Point Solar to install solar at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Broh stated it could save the Village a lot of money, but would be a sizeable upfront investment, so Jewell was brought in to review the proposal. Jewell stated they went over the proposal, and it would take up a sizeable amount of space. Jewell recommended touring the wastewater treatment plant in Galena. Jewell stated the proposal was pretty general and did not specify space needs for the inverters and other equipment needed, it also did not specify the maintenance costs associated with the system. Jewell noted the excess energy generated would be sold at the wholesale rate, but would have to be bought back at the retail rate. Broh stated he did not know how far down the rabbit hole he wanted to go with this, but he is not the guy to explore it. Norm Miller will take the lead on exploring the issue further. Jewell recommended contacting the Eagle Point salesperson and ask if they have done any projects in Wisconsin. Lilla stated he has been pushing for solar at the Library, but it has been put on hold due to upcoming roof repair. Tim Zumm arrived at 7:30 pm. No action taken.
 - d. Greg Jewell explained that Cardinal CG is requesting to move village water main to allow for a 40' addition to the east end of their building. Jewell stated Cardinal CG has agreed to pay for the design and the relocation of the water main if approved. Broh moved and Reid seconded to approve the request submitted by Cardinal CG to relocate water main as presented, contingent upon all costs being covered by Cardinal CG. Motion carried.
 - e. Broh moved and Demers seconded to approve the 2015 Final Audit as presented. Motion carried.
 - f. Crary went over the 2017 preliminary budget, noting the columnar changes to the budget; the through date column was removed and a 2015 Actual column was added. Crary stated there are still many unknown revenue and expense figures at this time, such as State Shared Revenue, General Transportation Aids, Fire Protection/Outlay and the levies of the other taxing entities. Crary noted Library is requesting a 2.8% increase in their property tax line item. Employee increases were incorporated along with retirement amounts. Crary informed the board they need to decide what to do with the Recreation Program budget amounts. Crary noted funds have been added to ash tree removal, public works building roof repairs and squad outlay. Crary explained the Budget Restraint Program and how the Department of Revenue has changed their interpretation and are now requiring the tax levy amounts for the Library and Capital Projects be included in the formula, which may disqualify the Village from receiving additional shared revenue. No action taken.
 - g. Broh suggested acquiring a trail map. Miller moved and Demers seconded to approve the Snowmobile Land Use Agreement between the Village of Spring Green and the Association of Sauk County Snowmobile Clubs, Inc. as presented. Motion carried.
 - h. Wilkins stated he would like to see a committee put together to assess the building issues and to start discussing either a new building or remodeling an existing building. Broh stated it is high time we create a committee to look into these issues. Marcus agreed and stated perhaps the Police & Property Committees could work together; two items need to be addressed – needs, and how to raise revenues. No action taken.
 - i. Crary stated she made changes to the Compensatory and Flex Time Section of the policy to conform to the upcoming FSLA changes along with updating the employee sign-off sheet. Broh moved and Miller seconded to approve the Spring Green Employee Personnel Policy as presented, effective November 15, 2016. Motion carried.
 - j. Demers moved and Broh seconded to approve Resolution R-1604, Request for Exemption from County Library Tax as presented. Motion carried.

6. **Old Business**
 - a. Marcus moved and Reid seconded to approve a three-year contract for assessment services submitted by Kleven Property Assessment, LLC. Motion carried.
 - b. Hausner stated no proposals have been received to date for the air-conditioning unit in the Police Department. No action taken.
8. **Information Items:**
 - a. State of Wisconsin – Department of Natural Resources 2017 Recycling Grant to Responsible Units Application.
9. **General Public Comment:** Tim Zumm – Friends of the Lower Wisconsin Riverway asked the board to consider supporting the Kids don't Float program. Zumm stated the Villages of Muscoda and Boscobel have chipped in; the program provides education within the Village.
10. **Adjourn:** Miller moved and Demers seconded to adjourn at 8:46 pm. Motion carried.