

Minutes of Regular Session

Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Board of Trustees meeting on September 28, 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, Mike Bisbach, Julie Shebek, Todd Mieden, and Jenny Pappas.
3. **Approve Minutes:** Demers moved and Broh seconded to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2016 Regular Board Meeting as amended. Motion carried.
4. **Review and approve agenda:** Hausner requested to move Old Business after New Business. Demers moved and Miller seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.
5. **Consent agenda:** Reid moved and Miller seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:
 - a. Approval of Disbursements
 - b. Approval of Fall Clean-Up for October 26 & 27, 2016Motion carried.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. Julie Shebek, an independent contractor for US Cellular spoke about new cellular technology and the fact that the water tower will not support it. Shebek stated it would be more cost effective for US Cellular to take the equipment off the water tower and build a new tower. Shebek asked the Board if they would be willing to entertain the idea of a new cellular tower on the water tower parcel. Shebek stated the initial thought would be to place the tower near the south side of the existing shelter; ground space requirements are not known at this time as soil testing would need to occur first. Shebek stated the tower would be 180-190 feet tall and would not require any guy wires; it would just be a big beefy pole. Bisbach noted the site is tight and he would have concerns when water tower maintenance needs to be performed. Hausner noted Greg Wipperfurth expressed serious reservations as well, for maintenance purposes. Timmerman asked if any other locations were being looked into. Shebek stated if the Village would not be in agreement to the new tower, they will pull the equipment out and go elsewhere. The board discussed other areas within Village limits that could potentially accommodate a new tower. Bisbach asked if Shebek was aware of any other municipalities with a similar situation. Broh stated he would like to make this work to keep the service and the revenue from the lease agreement. Marcus asked Shebek if she could look at other properties within the Village limits; if no other sites are workable, the board could then entertain the use of the water tower parcel. Broh asked Shebek to research other Village properties and to provide details on other municipalities with cellular towers next to a water tower. Miller inquired about the timeline. Shebek replied her speculation as to the changeover would be 2017. No action taken.
 - b. The board discussed the proposals for new air-conditioning units for the Village Office and Spring Green Police Department along with the estimated cost for electrical work, which was not included in the bid. Wilkins asked if a short-term fix would be more appropriate since a committee is going to be formed to look into a new building or other options. The consensus of the board was to direct Wipperfurth to acquire pricing for two window air-conditioning units. No action taken.
 - c. Reid moved and Timmerman seconded to approve the audit engagement letter for the year ending December 31, 2016 & 2017 submitted by Johnson Block and Company, Inc. as presented. Motion carried.

6. **Old Business**

- a. The board reviewed information provided by Todd Mieden/Public Works and Shannon Radel/Dog Park who both contacted Cross Plains to gather information regarding allowing dogs in the municipal pool. Radel's email correspondence stated "the Dog Park folks have actually decided to table this event until possibly next year, due to planning and time constraints..." Hausner stated he spoke with Greg Wipperfurth who has serious reservations because of the potential costs for maintenance and cleaning. Hausner noted Wipperfurth suggested utilizing the storm water basin at the municipal golf course. The consensus of the board was that this alternative is a great idea. Hausner stated it would have to be organized with the golf club association. Crary stated she would follow up with Radel. No action taken.
- b. Crary went over the 2017 proposed budget noting the following:
 - ✓ Shared Revenue came in lower, down 2.65%
 - ✓ Board needs to decide on the Library levy request
 - ✓ Fire Protection/Building amounts were received, going up
 - ✓ Board needs to decide on the Recreation Program budget
 - ✓ Total General Fund expenditures going up 2.31%

Several members of the board made recommendations for expenditure decreases. Crary stated she would make the suggested changes for the next board meeting. Crary noted she will publish a notice on 10/12 for a 11/2 hearing No action taken.

8. **Information Items:**

- a. Sauk County Clean Sweep – Saturday, October 1st from 8:30 am – 12:00 pm at the Old Sauk County Landfill located at E8795 Evergreen Lane, Baraboo.

9. **General Public Comment:** There was no general public comment.

10. **Adjourn:** Miller moved and Broh seconded to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Motion carried.