Minutes of Regular Session

Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Board of Trustees meeting on January 25, 2017 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, Joel Marcus, Norm Miller, Grace Timmerman, Vern Demers and Michael Broh. Robin Reid was absent. Also present were Wendy Crary, Linda Schwanke, Greg Wipperfurth, Greg Jewell, Bob Churchill, Greg Droessler, Kolby Hirth, Patty Brooks, Kevin Wilkins, Fred lausly, Dave Johnson, Shannon Porter, Ashley Pfannastiel and Jenny Pappas.
- 3. **Approve Minutes:** Demers moved and Broh seconded to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016 Public Caucus and Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried.
- 4. Review and approve agenda: Miller moved and Demers seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.
- 5. **Consent agenda:** Timmerman moved and Miller seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:
 - a. Approval of Disbursements
 - b. Approval of the following License for River Valley Players, 111 E. Jefferson St., Spring Green, WI:
 - i. Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License for April 6 9, 2017

Motion carried.

6. New Business:

- a. The board discussed letters received by two property owners along the east/west sidewalk that runs from Winsted and Wood Streets. Wipperfurth stated he has a 4' bucket and the sidewalk is 3'; this results in ripping up sod, lawn edging and sprinkler heads. Wipperfurth noted the sidewalk was not plowed by the Village 20 years ago. Crary stated the Village Ordinance clearly states that snow removal on sidewalks is the responsibility of the homeowner. The consensus of the board was to take no further action.
- b. Greg Droessler of Town & Country Engineering discussed the Wastewater Treatment Facility Assessment Report noting the following points:
 - The treatment plant is in pretty good shape overall
 - ✓ They look at mechanical equipment as having a 20 year life cycle and electrical equipment as having a 10 year life cycle. Droessler stated some of the equipment is reaching that 20 year life and the Village should start planning for some replacement.

 - The bulk of repairs needed in the next five years are mostly electrical.
 Concerns with the control building as it is not ventilated properly; proper ventilation will prolong the life of the building.
 - Price tag approximately \$2M over the next 0-7 years for upgrades
 - ✓ This report is a piece of the puzzle and the third report which will look at the cost of phosphorus will be completed in September, 2017
 - No action taken.
- c. Jewell stated Cardinal is looking at the 40 acre parcel along with additional vacant lots. A list of potential projects to include in the TIF are: E. Madison Street reconstruction, Peterson Street extension, lift station upgrade, storm water improvements, berms on three sides of the property along with development of a park in the Rasmussen Subdivision. Jewell stated the next steps are to get into the TID and see if the TIF would be feasible. Once the district is formed, a Joint Review Board would be created. Jewell stated Cardinal has not made a final decision on what they would like to do. Jewell stated there will be plenty of time for public input through public meetings. Crary asked if

Cardinal would reimburse the Village for any costs incurred if the project does not go through. Jewell stated Cardinal would reimburse the Village if the project does not go through, and if it does go through the costs will become part of the TIF. No action taken.

- d. Marcus moved and Miller seconded to approve Jewell Associates Engineers Work Order No. 2017-1 for the investigation and development of a TID (Tax Incremental District) at a cost not to exceed \$21,750.00. Marcus amended the motion to include approval of the work order with the condition that Cardinal reimburse the Village if the project does not go through. Miller seconded. Motion carried.
- e. Jewell gave a brief update on the E. Madison Street project noting the following:
 - ✓ Storm sewer/water main will be replaced
 - ✓ Water main will be relocated from underneath FS
 - \checkmark 40' pavement; 44' from face of curb to face of curb
 - ✓ Bike/walking path on both sides of street
 - ✓ No sidewalks are being proposed

Broh asked how people will get to Cardinal when the project is underway. Jewell stated the road has to be passable to property owners during the construction. No action taken.

- f. Wipperfurth stated smart phones would be a great asset to the Public Works Department for several reasons. Wipperfurth went over pricing obtained from US Cellular to upgrade. Miller moved and Timmerman seconded to approve the cell phone upgrade for the Public Works Department as presented. Motion carried.
- g. Marcus stated there has been talk over the last several years for an alternate space for the Police Department and a decision was made to form a separate committee to explore different options. Marcus stated Hausner asked him to chair the committee and he accepted. Marcus went over a list of potential committee members. The board discussed the potential committee members along with several points received from Robin Reid via email correspondence. Marcus stated this committee will have no power; it is merely an advisory committee. Marcus stated the committee will be transparent and Village residents will have the chance for public input. Broh stated he sympathizes with Reid's points and suggested reaching out to the community to see if there is any interest in serving on the committee. Timmerman stated she agreed with searching for more options; she would like to see that explored. Marcus stated it was not his intent to exclude women. Broh moved and Miller seconded to create a Public Facilities Advisory Committee. Motion carried.
- h. No action was taken on the appointment of individuals to the Public Facilities Advisory Committee.

7. Information Items:

- a. Resolution 2016-08 Village of Plain, Sauk County, Wisconsin.
- b. Information from Debora Morton Driftless Defenders regarding American Transmission Company's power line proposal.
- 8. **General Public Comment:** Churchill asked if the discussion for the Public Facilities Advisory Committee would be in the minutes only, or in the Home News as well. Schwanke stated it would be in the Home News board meeting story. Iausly asked if the Wastewater Treatment Facility Assessment Report could be shared with the Prairie Sanitary District. Pfannastiel asked whose jurisdiction the proposed ATC power line is in. Crary responded it is in the Wyoming Township. Brooks stated she heard Wyoming and Arena have done Resolutions opposing the power line expansion project.
- 9. **Adjourn:** Demers moved and Miller seconded to adjourn at 8:22 pm. Motion carried.