

## Minutes of Regular Session

### Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Board of Trustees

April 11, 2018 – 7:01 pm

154 N. Lexington Street, Spring Green WI

1. **Call to order:** Gene Hausner, Village President called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
2. **Roll call of Village Board members:** Members present were Gene Hausner, Joel Marcus, Norm Miller, Vern Demers and Michael Broh. Robin Reid and LuEtta Miller were absent. Also present: Wendy Crary, Bob Churchill, Barb Pratt, David Williams, Bill Fleischauer, Keith Maxwell, Kelly Feiner, Tom Buchman, Jim Kloth, Dale Hottmann, Linda Schwanke, Kevin Wilkins, Michael Havlik, Jane Hauser, Bonnie Bindl, Richard Cates, Paul Kardatzke, Andy Kurek and Jenny Pappas.
3. **Approve Minutes:** Demers moved and N. Miller seconded to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2018 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried.
4. **Review and approve agenda:** N. Miller moved and Demers seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
5. **Consent agenda:** Broh moved and N. Miller seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:
  - a. Approval of Disbursements
  - a. Approval of Spring Clean Up for May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018Motion carried.
6. **New Business:**
  - a. Cates stated the Wisconsin DOT has approved a sign permit for the SG Lions Club at the Village property that houses the Welcome to Spring Green structure/sign on the east side of Highway 23, south of Highway 14. Cates stated the sign location south of town was turned down as regulations have changed and the proposed location would not comply with the new regulations. Cates noted the Lions Club is discussing an alternate location south of town, near The Shed's signage. Cates stated other groups may want to put up signage on the same post; these groups would have to go through the process with the DOT and get their own permit. N. Miller moved and Demers seconded to approve the proposed signage for the SG Lions Club as presented. Motion carried. The consensus of the board was the SG Lions Club sign is an official Village sign.
  - b. Broh moved and Demers seconded to approve an Application for Keeping Chickens submitted by Heather Meixelsperger on behalf of River Valley Middle School, parcel #182-0462, 660 W. Daley Street as presented. Motion carried.
  - c. Marcus moved and Broh seconded to approve a 15 year Lease Agreement between the River Valley School District and the Village of Spring Green for the North Park athletic field as presented. Motion carried.
  - d. Broh moved and Miller seconded to approve a letter of resignation submitted by Jenny Pappas. Motion carried.
  - e. The consensus of the board was to have Crary post the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer position.
  - f. Marcus stated at the last meeting, there was a strong opinion of the public to explore various options for the relocation of the Spring Green Police Department. Marcus stated last week he and several others toured the Alliant Energy building and the consensus of the group is that it has potential and there is interest in exploring it further. Marcus noted the Alliant Energy building is already handicap accessible, however, the building would still need to be remodeled. Marcus noted the asking price

is higher than the Legion building. Marcus recommended having the owner of the Alliant Energy building come to the board to discuss the selling price. Marcus stated he feels the Legion is still an attractive option. Marcus stated the board needs more information to make an intelligent decision; we need to look at real numbers for selling price and remodeling costs. Feiner stated the price of the future garage space at the Legion should be included when making comparisons. Bindl stated she was shocked after the last meeting after learning of the condition of the current building. Bindl asked why the whole board was not notified of these issues, especially since they have been happening since 2008. Wilkins stated he has notified the board of the issues over the years. Bindl asked why money has not been put aside for the relocation. Marcus stated in 2008, the Village experienced a flood, the economy took a dive and two major street projects were done. Marcus stated we did not have the opportunity to set aside money, but now we have an opportunity to relocate the department. Bindl stated she does not like her taxes going up, but she also does not think that public safety should be working in these conditions. Broh stated the board has been discussing the Police Department for years; the board has been trying to put dollars aside for many different things. Pratt stated the board is looking at two places, and if the cost comparison comes out similar, she would make a plea to purchase the Legion property. Pratt noted she would rather her dollars go to a service organization as opposed to a utility. Hottmann stated he was impressed; the people spoke and the board listened and I commend you for that. Feiner pointed out that the Alliant Energy building is owned by Kevin Bauer. Marcus proposed the following: 1) meet with Kevin Bauer – owner of the Alliant Energy building in a closed session on April 25 2) bring the Legion back on May 9 for more discussion and 3) final presentation on May 23 with costs of both buildings and remodeling costs. The consensus of the board was to follow Marcus' proposal. No action taken. The board acknowledged the email received from Sue Porter in regards to the Headquarters property and it was deemed the building does not have enough square footage for consideration.

7. **Old Business:**

- a. No action was taken on discussion and possible action regarding offer to purchase the Spring Green American Legion Property for relocation of the Public Safety Department.
- b. No action was taken on discussion and possible action regarding contracting services for design and remodeling of the American Legion building for the Public Safety Department.

8. **Information Items:**

- a. Information from Friends of the Baraboo River regarding "Paddle the Boo!" on Saturday, May 12, 2018.
- b. Press Release from Sauk County Development Corporation regarding Annual Report & Business Awards on May 2, 2018 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

9. **General Public Comment:** Bindl thanked Pappas for her service to the Village.

10. **Adjourn:** Demers moved and N. Miller seconded to adjourn at 7:52 pm. Motion carried.