

## **Minutes of Public Hearing**

### **Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Public Hearing**

**November 7, 2018 - 7:00 pm**

**154 N. Lexington Street, Spring Green WI**

1. **Call to order:** Gene Hausner, Village President, called the hearing to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Roll call of Village Board members:** Members present were Gene Hausner, Robin Reid, Joel Marcus, Norm Miller Jane Hauser, LuEtta Miller, and Michael Broh.  
Also present: Wendy Crary, Bonnie Bindl, Linda Schwanke, and Carrie Portz.
3. **Approve Agenda:** Broh moved and Reid seconded to approve the agenda as presented.  
Motion carried.
4. **Public Comment:** Carrie Portz with the Spring Green Community Library reviewed and explained the libraries proposed 2019 budget for the Village Board. Portz informed all in attendance that the library will be implementing a pilot program which will eliminate fines for past due items. Portz said, "Data shows that fines are very ineffective and we'll be conducting a trial for 6 months". Portz also informed the Village Board that all library employees will receive at least a 2% cost of living increase for wages and a few employees will receive more due to their high level of performance. Portz said "Even with a decrease in revenue and the increased wages we are showing expenses going down, due to an increase in efficiencies at the library". Bindl inquired as to the where the purchase of the building for a new police department could be found in the 2019 budget. Crary informed Bindl the funds could be found in the Capital Projects budget. Marcus explained that the funds are budgeted for the purchase of the building and that the remodeling would have to be budgeted for later. There was no additional public comment at this time.
5. **Adjourn:** Reid moved and Marcus seconded to adjourn the public hearing at 7:06 pm.  
Motion carried.