

Minutes of Regular Session
Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Board of Trustees
February 12, 2020 – 7:01 pm
154 N. Lexington Street, Spring Green WI

1. **Call to order:** Gene Hauser, Village President called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
2. **Roll call of Village Board members:** Members present were Joel Marcus, Norm Miller, LuEtta Miller, Gene Hausner, and Jane Hauser. Excused: Robin Reid and Michael Broh. Also present: Wendy Crary, Vikki Stingley, Linda Schwanke, Todd Deibert- Jewell Associates Engineering, John Meyerhofer, Jeff Freel, Bill Wunnicke, Bonnie Bindl, Mike Stoddard, Dave Riek, and Jeff Johnson.
3. **Approve Minutes:** Motion by L. Miller to approve the minutes of the the January 22, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and January 29, 2020 Special Assessment Hearing as presented. Seconded by N. Miller. Voice vote. Motion carried.
4. **Review and approve agenda:** Motion by L. Miller to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Marcus. Voice vote. Motion carried.
5. **Consent agenda:** Motion by N. Miller 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 Joanna Louise De Young, 326 W Madison Street, Spring Green, WISeconded by Hauser. Voice vote. Motion carried.
6. **New Business:**
 - a. Wendy Crary told the Village Board that Heather Meixelsperger had submitted a burn request for the Spring Green Fire Department to do a control burn of the small prairie by the River Valley Middle School. Motion by L. Miller to approve the burn request allowing the Spring Green Fire Department to burn the small prairie next to the River Valley Middle School as presented. Seconded by Hauser. Voice vote. Motion carried.
 - b. Todd Deibert- Jewell Associates Engineering shared with the Village Board the results of the bid openings received for the 2020 Spring Green Street and Utility Reconstruction project. Deibert stated that Gerke Excavating, INC had the low bid of \$2,089,893.36. Gerke Excavating is located in Tomah WI. Diebert added that it was their recommendation to award the low bid to Gerke Excavating, INC. Motion by N. Miller to award the low bid of \$2,089,893.36 to Gerke Excavating, INC for the 2020 Spring Green Street and Utility Reconstruction project. Seconded by Marcus. Voice vote. Motion carried. Bonnie Bindl asked for the cost to be repeated. Deibert restated the cost.
 - c. Wendy Crary shared that Todd Hogan had submitted a letter requesting the installation of a new streetlight on the corner of Erik Street and Brenner Street. She also stated that she had forwarded a message from the Hoffman's that they were not in favor of a new streetlight by their property. Crary added that the Village would be responsible for the cost of the new streetlight. No action taken.

- d. John Meyerhofer and Bill Wunnicke asked the Village Board to approve an ATV route in the Village of Spring Green. The Village Board expressed concerns about safety with the proposed alleyways and streets. They also voiced concerns about the noise levels. Jeff Freel and Jeff Johnson asked if the Village Board could wait on a decision until their club submits a proposed route. The Village Board agreed to have both parties return with a detailed proposal of routes in the Village of Spring Green at a future meeting. No action taken.
- e. Chief Stoddard addressed the Village Board about a concern brought to his attention by Lamers and the River Valley School District about a vehicle passing the school bus with warning lights on. He reviewed the Village of Spring Green's Ordinance § 375-10 School Bus Warning Lights and felt it should be changed for safety concerns. Right now, the ordinance does allow vehicles to pass a school bus when stopped and there is curb and gutter on both sides of the road. Children are then expected to cross the road without the assistance of the bus driver. The Village Board agreed that the ordinance should be amended on the side of caution for the safety of school children. Chief Stoddard will review and report back on proposed amendment.
- f. Wendy Crary addressed the Village Board with concerns of the expense to run the WPRA Summer Ticket Program. She added that ticket sales have been declining each year and the cost to return tickets is then larger than the profit of \$.75 a ticket. Village Board advised to discontinue the Program. No action needed.
- g. Wendy Crary reported that the concerns about a memorandum from the Wisconsin Election Commission: "Issuing and Managing 'A' and 'B' Ballots for the Spring Election and Presidential Preference Vote" was no longer an issue due to the changes made by the Wisconsin Election Commission today at 5 pm. No action needed.

7. Information Items:

- a. Information regarding "The Future of Sauk County" to be held in Spring Green on February 27, 2020.
- b. Information regarding Sauk County Index Economic Development 3rd Quarter 2019.

8. General Public Comment: Bonnie Bindl thanked the Village Board for repeating the cost of all five streets and water & sewer projects.

9. Convene into closed session: Motion by Hausner at 7:47 pm to go into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes for "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility."

Seconded by L. Miller. Roll call vote aye: L. Miller, Hauser, N. Miller, Marcus, and Hausner – aye 5, nay 0. Reid and Broh absent. Motion carried.

10. Reconvene into Open Session: Motion by Hausner to reconvene into open session at 7:57 pm. Seconded by Hauser. Roll call vote aye: L. Miller, Hauser, N. Miller, Marcus, and Hausner – aye 5, nay 0. Reid and Broh absent. Motion carried.

- a. Motion by N. Miller to hire a new Village of Spring Green full time Patrol Officer as recommended by Chief Stoddard. Seconded by Marcus. Voice vote. Motion carried.

11. General Public Comment: No Public Comment.

12. Adjourn: Motion by N. Miller to adjourn at 7:59 pm. Seconded by Marcus. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Vikki Stingley