

Minutes of Regular Session
Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Board of Trustees
June 10, 2020 – 7:00 pm
Meeting held via Zoom & Teleconference due to COVID 19 Health Emergency

1. **Call to order:** Gene Hausner, Village President called the board meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Roll call of Village Board members:** Members present via Zoom & Teleconference were Michael Broh, LuEtta Miller, Jane Hauser, Norm Miller, Joel Marcus, Robin Reid, and Gene Hausner. Also, present via Teleconference: Jenn Jensen, Linda Schwanke, phone caller #1- Michael Stoddard, Nicole Tilford, Diane Baryenbruch, Susan Kimball, Stephan Fisk, Emily Nachreiner, Sara Young, Todd Deibert of Jewell Associates, Megan Bond, Jeb Burris, Susan Lee, Eli Saperstein, Pamela, Stephanie's i-pad, Janice Crook, Dave Owen, Alys Dickerson, Emma, Kelsey Brennan, Tara, Carey Cannon, Wynn Dedrick, Rob, John Jensen, Amber Needham, Cassey, Carrie Van Hallgren, John Middleton, Mary Rose Bailey, Vikki Stingley, 7:10 pm: Matt Anliker, Spring Green Chamber, Nancy Jeans Baenen, Melisa Peryra, and Paul Kardatzke of Jewell Associates -7:23 pm
3. **Approve Minutes:** Motion by L. Miller to approve the minutes of the the May 27, 2020 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Seconded by Hauser. Voice vote. Motion carried.
4. **Review and approve agenda:** Motion by Marcus to approve the agenda as presented Seconded by Broh. 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.Seconded by Hauser. Voice vote. Motion carried.
6. **Old Business:**
 - a. Reid addressed the group that at the last meeting it was decided to wait on opening the pool and review at the next meeting. She added that we wanted to review what was happening with COVID-19 and what others were doing. She also stated that COVID-19 is still on the rise and we have gathered information from experts on the best practices. Reid then invited Janice Crook to report on her findings. Crook stated that she had talked to most of the board and had shared information gathered and a plan on how to open the Village Pool this 2020 season if the Village Board does decide to open. Crook stated that she and all the guards are willing to do what the Board decides. Crook went on to share that there will be many changes, restrictions, and guidelines if the Pool opens. All patrons will have to purchase daily passes before entering the pool with a max of 35 patrons inside the pool fence. Passes can be purchased prior to the opening of the pool or from Pamela's Fine Jewelry throughout the summer. Lessons will be smaller; 4 or less with no parents allowed on deck during lessons to comply with social distancing guidelines. The water fountains will not be available and there are no vending machines on site. The bathhouse will only be open for limited restrooms use, no changing area or showers. No noodles, goggles, kickboards, will be given out from use at the pool. Mask are recommended and 6-foot social distancing will be asked and monitored. All

employees will be monitored before reporting to work. Color bands will be used on very hot days to monitor time, allowing more patrons to use the pool. The baby pool will not be open this season. Crook also stated that she would continue to monitor the recommendation from the CDC, State of Wisconsin, Sauk County and the Village of Spring Green. Hauser stated that she had reached out to Dr. Timmerman who was in favor of the pool being open with precautions. Many other residents shared their concerns that if the pool is not open, kids will go to the river, and that is not a place we want our kids going to swim. N Miller added that since the pool has open there has not been any drownings of our local kids. Broh asked Crook how long will it take to have the pool ready to open? Crook stated that she and her staff would need about 3 weeks to clean and be ready. Crook stated that her goal to open would be July 6. Reid expressed her concerns with who would be monitoring the 10-year olds and making sure they wear mask and practice 6 ft social distancing. Crook stated that she had reliable guards and trusted them. Matt Anliker said he would put out an email request to the parents of the Dolphins for volunteers to work 2 hour shifts. Motion by Broh to open the Village of Spring Green Pool as soon as it is cleaned, and chemically ready with the restrictions laid out by Crook. Seconded by L. Miller. Voice vote six (6) aye, Reid voice that she wanted to go on record as a nay. Motion carried. (6-1)

7. New Business:

- a. Dave Owen asked the Village Board to consider a European Style Walking Mall on Jefferson Street and Lexington Street. Broh stated that he wanted to go on record that his recommendation to Owen was to just present his idea to the Village Board tonight, and that he would need to refrain due to a conflict of interest. Owen added he was very concerned for the sustainability of the local business with the low foot traffic due to COVID-19, and the now closing of APT for the 2020 season. He stated that this was putting extra stress on many of the local business and they might not be here next year if we do not think outside the box now. Owen then went on to share that the idea of an outside walking mall is not new; it is just new to this area. He also stated that APT would allow the use of 50 picnic tables and maybe residents could make donations to help with plantings to make the area look more appealing. Sara Young stated that she would be willing to help with advertisement to bring more people to town. Owen shared that his vision would be that people would come to eat and then see other stores and shop there too. L Miller asked about maintenance and clean-up. Marcus shared that he had serious concerns about closing Jefferson street. He added that the Country Sample and The Shed were also not in favor. Marcus asked if maybe there could be random parking so some business could still have an area for customers to drive up to. Owen responded that he had serious concerns with people driving down the road where people were trying to eat. Rob, manager for Slowpoke stated that this is a critical time in Spring Green with the low foot traffic. A question was asked if it had been considered to use the parking lots in the back of their business. Owen replied that this is not the image we want; smelly dumpsters and let us face it; it just does not look good. Hauser stated that she had worked on State Street and has delivered product to State Street, and the alleyways

are used and share with no issues. Nicole Tilford said that this would “bring alive the town”. Jenn and John Jensen said that the Paper Crane was in favor of the walking mall. Carey Cannon voiced that her vote was a yes. Deniece Carver also sent an email to the Board that she supported the walking mall. Nancy Baenen shared that their business, Arcadia Books could use the internet to reach customers; but that 63% of their business is June 1- Sept 30 in store. She also added that a lot of our customers who visit, then go to the Post House area. We worry that we are not being good neighbors to the Shed, because, they are the ones who have to do the upkeep of this area. Baenen also stated that the back-parking area of our businesses would not be a place I would want to sit down and eat with the smelly dumpsters. Chief Stoddard was asked if he had any concerns. He stated that he felt there were many things that needed to be reviewed with the fire and police departments and cleanup. Hausner stated more discussion should be held at the next Village Meeting June 24. No action.

- b. Jeb Burris withdrew the request for a Peaceful Solidarity March on Monday, June 15, 2020. He added that a discussion would be held later to look at these concerns and how we can all make changes.
- c. The Village Attorney submitted a letter of the proposed changes to amend the Village of Spring Green Ordinance § 166-13 E (10) Keeping of Chickens to allow teleconference and or audio recording. Motion by Broh to approve the amendments made by the Village Attorney to the Village of Spring Green Ordinance § 166-13 E (10) Keeping of Chickens as presented. Seconded by Reid. Voice vote. Motion carried. Motion by Broh to suspend the rule on three readings for the consideration of the amendment to the Village of Spring Green Ordinance § 166-13 E (10) Keeping of Chickens as presented. Seconded by Hauser. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- d. Todd Deibert of Jewell Associates presented construction Change Order No. 3 for the 2020 Spring Green Street and Utility Reconstruction Project for \$770.00 for extra work. Motion by Broh to approve Change Order No. 3 for the 2020 Spring Green Street and Utility Reconstruction Project as presented for \$770.00. Seconded by N. Miller. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- e. Hausner and Todd Deibert of Jewell Associates shared that they were reviewing three different possible tree species to replace the pear tree. The reason for reviewing and choosing a different species is due to the very strong fragrance of the pear tree that is not desirable to some. No action.

8. Information Items:

- a. Information from River Valley School District regarding elected School Board Members.
- b. Information from League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance regarding 2019 Dividend payment returned to Village of Spring Green.

9. General Public Comment: No public comment.

- 10. Adjourn:** Motion by L. Miller to adjourn at 8:29 pm. Seconded by Hauser. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Vikki Stingley