

**CITY OF SPRINGVILLE
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
November 1, 2010 6:00 PM**

ROLL CALL:

Present: Members: Mayor William Isley, Herbert Toles, Hugh Marlin,
Katrina Hennings, John Coyne, Brian Skinner, Wayne Tucker, David Jones
Absent: None

Mayor William Isley called the regular meeting to order and gave the invocation. John Coyne led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Amendments to Agenda

David Jones made a motion to amend the agenda to include Louise Campbell to discuss the CDBG grant and storm shelters grant. Herbert Toles seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Brian Skinner made a motion to amend the agenda to allow consideration of a contract with SMW Engineering Group Inc. for a land planning contract for the sports park. John Coyne seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Wayne Tucker made a motion to amend the agenda to discuss the upcoming meeting of the library groups regarding the library feasibility study. Herbert Toles seconded the motion. All voted aye.

David Jones made a motion to amend the agenda to discuss issues regarding service on police cars and a tree on Highway 174 as recommended by Herbert Toles. John Coyne seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Parade Application from Chamber of Commerce

David Jones made a motion to approve a parade application from the Chamber of Commerce for the Christmas Parade to be held on December 11. Herbert Toles seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Louise Campbell to Discuss CDBG and Storm Shelter Grants

Louise Campbell was recognized and presented information to the council regarding the CDBG Streetscape Grant project from Robinson Street to the Library. Ms. Campbell said that the contract has been awarded and can begin as soon as the ALDOT permit is issued. The contractor has requested to delay the start of the project until January 1, due to personnel issues and to prevent disruption of traffic during the holidays. Ms. Campbell expressed concerns regarding the new grant application period and possible weather issues in January. After discussion the council instructed Ms. Campbell to require the contractor to begin work within ten days of the issuance of the ALDOT permit.

Louise Campbell asked the council to determine the scope of the grant request for storm shelters. The original application was for two shelters to be located near the VFW building. The approximate cost of the project is \$170,000 with a 25% match required. The project could be modified to include only one shelter at an estimated cost of \$80,000 with some of the match being in-kind services. After discussion, David Jones made a motion to authorize application for one shelter to be located at the VFW building. Katrina Hennings seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Contract with SWM Engineering Group Inc

The council reviewed a contract with SWM Engineering Group Inc. for land planning at the Sports Park. The plan will provide a conceptual plan for space use and will be charged at an hourly rate not to exceed \$6,800.00 for the complete project. James Hill said that he had reviewed the contract and the only change that he had recommended was to stipulate that the city will own the documents provided by the contract. Katrina Hennings made a motion to authorize Mayor William Isley to enter into the contract with SMW Engineering Group Inc. for land planning. David Jones seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Hugh Marlin-Library Feasibility Study

Hugh Marlin announced that the library groups would meet on Thursday, November 4 at 6:00 p.m. at the library to review the architect's study on the two sites presented as best sites for the library. The plan will be presented to finish the preliminary work on the study with the remaining \$15,000.00 on the grant. The Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on November 6 was also announced.

Herbert Toles – Auto Service on Police Cars

Herbert Toles asked why the police cars were being taken to a business in Argo for service rather than to a local business. Mayor Isley suggested that Mr. Toles discuss specific departmental issues with department heads, but said that while using local businesses is encouraged, decisions on purchasing are left to the department heads to make, based on quality of service, price, and promptness of service. Lt. Lyle addressed service on police cars specifically and stated that the cars were taken to the business that provided the best quality of service at the lowest price with the shortest amount of out of service time for the vehicles.

Herbert Toles-Tree on Highway 174

Herbert Toles said that a dead tree on Highway 174 at the property where Springfest is held had dropped a limb onto a car over the weekend. Earl Peoples said that the tree is located on the right of way, and that he is getting prices on the removal of the tree and meeting with the owner of the property regarding the tree.

Ordinance 2010-14 Amending Personnel Policy Regarding Hiring and Supervision of Relatives

Ordinance 2010-14 was presented to amend Section 2.3 of the personnel policy to allow for the hiring of relatives where no direct supervisory or administrative control will occur between family members and providing for action to be taken if direct supervision or control does occur.

Wayne Tucker made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of the ordinance. Herbert Toles seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Skinner voted aye, Jones voted aye, Coyne voted aye, Hennings voted aye, Isley voted aye, Tucker voted aye, Marlin voted aye, and Toles voted aye. Motion carried.

John Coyne made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2010-14. Wayne Tucker seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Approve Minutes of October 18 Regular Meeting

David Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2010 regular council meeting. Katrina Hennings seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Honeywell Contract

Mayor William Isley said that he, David Jones, Brian Skinner, Earl Peoples, and James Hill had met to discuss the Honeywell contract and asked James Hill to address the council regarding the progress on the matter.

James Hill reviewed the history of the Honeywell agreement for installation of new water meters and for energy conservation. James said that there have been changes made to the water meters that appear to have solved the issue of the accuracy of the meters, but that the energy conservation savings do not appear to have been realized and the matter still exists concerning the lost revenue during the time that the water meters were not reading accurately. James said that he hopes to meet with representatives from Honeywell within the month and to have a recommendation for resolving the matter by the first of the year.

Playground Project

Mayor William Isley said that the installation of the artificial turf in the playground area should begin within the week. The value of the donation of the artificial turf was estimated at \$100,000 requiring only installation by the city. The playground area will be closed during the installation. Mayor William Isley asked the council to be considering a rental policy for the pavilion upon its completion and consideration of the possibility of construction of a second pavilion.

With no further business to come before the council, Wayne Tucker made a motion to adjourn. Hugh Marlin seconded the motion. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.

Attest:

City Clerk

Mayor