

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the Spring Valley City Council was held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 215 N. Greenwood Street, Spring Valley, Il. 61362 and called to order by Mayor Malooley Thompson at 7:00 p.m. with the following Aldermen answering present to the roll call: Mike Herrmann, Ed Jauch, Chris Affelt, Jen Diaz, Greg Campbell, Deb Baltikauski, Ken Bogacz and Dave Pellegrini. 8 present.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

#14326 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Jauch that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The list of bills was presented, a copy of which was given to each Alderman 48 hours prior to the meeting.

#14327 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by Jauch that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Chief Curran reported the fire alarm panel has been fixed noting a bad part was draining the battery. The system we have now is obsolete and will be very costly to replace when the time comes. Chief Curran also noted testing for Police Officers is scheduled for Saturday and interviews will be held 10 days later.

Superintendent Norton reported Maguire Iron would like to meet with the council to discuss our water tower maintenance. Norton also noted he has received very few applications for a laborer and would like to know what we should do next. Alderman Pellegrini noted the Park Board will also be needing to hire a park supervisor. Mayor Malooley Thompson will post the positions on Indeed.

Alderman Affelt scheduled a Public Utilities Committee meeting for Tuesday February 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. to hear a presentation from Maguire Iron for water tower maintenance. Alderman Pellegrini scheduled a Finance Committee meeting as well noting Fire Chief Bogatitus will be present to review his annual report and issues with his part-time staffing.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Associates started topographic work for the 4th Street project and he needs to locate the water and sewer and will then move forward, he has no update for the Oak Street project but will be working on it next week and noted the temporary AT&T cell towers have been removed from the St. Bede water tower and the new cell towers are in place.

The following petitions were received for consideration:

1. BPART request for a monetary donation
2. SV Red Devil Youth Baseball Organization request for monetary donation
3. Master Walleye Circuit request for support fee
4. Lori's Annual Walleye Run March 19, 2022

#14328 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Baltikauski that we approve a donation to BPART in the amount of \$250. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14329 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Diaz that we approve a donation to SV Red Devil Baseball Organization in the amount of \$100. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14330 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Diaz that we approve a donation to the SV Walleye Circuit in the amount of \$1,000. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14331 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Affelt that we approve the request for Lori's 36th Annual Walleye Run on March 19, 2022 as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

711 AN OBLIGATION RETIREMENT RESOLUTION (MFT BONDS) was presented.

#14332 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

712 RESOLUTION APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF TIF REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FROM JTB SPRING VALLEY, LLC TO SPRING VALLEY INDUSTRIAL was presented.

#14333 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Campbell that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski and Bogacz. Abstain: Pellegrini. 7 ayes. 1 abstain. Motion carried.

713 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID OF THE ILLINOIS VALLEY SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM was presented.

Chief Curran explained the Resolution and noted there is 4 hours of training a month and then on call as needed.

#14334 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Campbell that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

714 A RESOLUTION AWARDING A BUSINESS REDEVELOPMENT GRANT TO MINA PATEL FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 109 E ST. PAUL ST. IN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY (CLOUD 9 SMOKE SHOP) was presented.

#14335 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Campbell that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski and Bogacz. Abstain: Pellegrini. 7 ayes. 1 abstain. Motion carried.

There were no communications received.

The council discussed a proposed renewal from Republic Services for refuse disposal. Kevin North from Republic Services was present to answer any questions.

#14336 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Baltikauski that we go into a closed meeting to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5). Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

CLOSED MEETING: 7:30 P.M. TO 7:55 P.M.

#14337 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Baltikauski that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:56 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 22, 2022

The regular meeting of the Spring Valley City Council was held in the City Hall Council Chambers, 215 N. Greenwood Street, Spring Valley, Il. 61362 and called to order by Mayor Malooley Thompson at 7:10 p.m. with the following Aldermen answering present to the roll call: Mike Herrmann, Ed Jauch, Chris Affelt, Jen Diaz, Greg Campbell, Deb Baltikauski, Ken Bogacz and Dave Pellegrini. 8 present.

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The following reports were received and placed on file:

1. City Treasurer's monthly report (January)
2. Police Chief's monthly report (January)

#14338 Moved by Alderman Campbell and seconded by Diaz that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14339 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Baltikauski that we approve the monthly Treasurer's report as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The list of bills was presented, a copy of which was given to each Alderman 48 hours prior to the meeting.

#14340 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by Jauch that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Chief Curran reported Police testing is complete and there are 6 applicants to interview. He currently has 10 full time officers and previously there were 11. He would like to complete testing before he discusses adding another officer with the council. Chief Curran would also like to set up a scholarship fund for students from Hall and St. Bede that would like to go into the public service field.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Associates reported he looked at the Buckman property and found no obvious dumping on the site. He has also spoke with Aperion Care regarding the grease trap and grinder noting the proposed grinder was already approved by the city and they can begin working on that. Aperion is to get back to him within a week.

The following petitions were received for consideration:

1. Lori's Walleye Run – monetary donation request
2. St. Margaret's Health Foundation 9th Annual Habit for Health Run April 30, 2022

#14341 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve a donation to Lori's Walleye Run in the amount of \$100. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14342 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Diaz that we approve the petition from St. Margaret's Health Foundation 9th Annual Habit for Health Run on April 30, 2022 as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14343 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve the final pay estimate for J.W. Ossola in the amount of \$37,153.89. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#1833 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION POLICY FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY, BUREAU COUNTY, ILLINOIS was presented.

Attorney Ebener explained a new statute regarding a whistleblowing protection policy needs to be passed in order to bring the city into compliance. He suggested we use the Bureau County States Attorney as the audit official. There was discussion on whether that is the right person to put in that role as they could possibly be involved in one way or another. The auditing official on the policy shall be the State’s Attorney of Bureau County.

#14344 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Diaz that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Diaz, Campbell, Bogacz and Pellegrini. Nay votes: Jauch, Affelt and Baltikauski. 5 ayes. 3 nays. Motion carried.

#1834 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING EXECUTION OF A REFUSE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY AND REPUBLIC SERVICES was presented.

There was a lengthy council discussion regarding the refuse disposal agreement. Jim Pozzi from Republic Services was present to answer questions.

#14345 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz and Campbell. Nay votes: Bogacz and Pellegrini. 6 ayes. 2 nays. Motion carried.

#14346 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Herrmann that we authorize new checking account at Spring Valley City Bank for the Police Pension Fund. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following communications (11) were received and placed on file:

1. MFT (January)-----	\$11,116.76
2. MFT TRF (January)-----	7,789.90
3. Sales Tax (November)-----	40,317.35
4. Sales Tax Increase (November)-----	15,605.75
5. Use Tax (November)-----	20,030.53
6. Income Tax (January)-----	94,834.78
7. Video Gaming Tax (January)-----	10,305.76
8. Telecommunication Tax (November)-----	1,932.22
9. Cannabis Use Tax (January)-----	775.36
10. Comcast Qrtly Franchise Fee-----	23,071.02
11. Comcast – Programming Advisory	

#14347 Moved by Alderman Diaz and seconded by Campbell that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, Diaz, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 8:00 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk