

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 7, 2023

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, CJ VanSchaick, Chris Affelt, Jeff Chiaventone, 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.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

#14705 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Pellegrini that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and special meeting (July 24, 2023) and approve them as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

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

#14706 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Malooley Thompson introduced the 2023 Spring Valley Minor League Softball Team and read out loud a Resolution Honoring the 2023 Spring Valley Minor League Softball Team for Winning the 2023 District State Championship. Mayor Malooley Thompson congratulated and honored each player and coach with an engraved plaque from the City of Spring Valley.

**#802 A RESOLUTION HONORING THE 2023 SPRING VALLEY MINOR LEAGUE SOFTBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2023 DISTRICT 20 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP** was presented.

#14707 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Bogacz that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried

Mayor Malooley Thompson introduced JC Heerdt from Grow Spring Valley who presented a \$2500. check to the city for the Community Center Project. JC discussed local events including the last Market Night for this season which has been moved to Kirby Park and also noted they are now starting to organize fall and Christmas events for the community. Mayor Malooley Thompson commended JC Heerdt for his leadership and organizational skills.

Alderman Bogacz distributed a handout for our 2023 Sidewalk Program noting it is only half done and includes Wards 3 and 4. He will be working on the next half to include Wards 1 and 2. If anyone has any concerns they should contact Alderman Bogacz. Alderman Bogacz also reported Cruz Concrete just finished 6 alley approaches and feels they did a great job.

Alderman Pellegrini reported some minor storm damage at Kirby Park which Supt. Norton and his crew took care of. There was some damage to the batting cage but he doesn't feel we need to order a whole new cage as Valley Fabrication can make new ends that will be sturdier. He also reported on several other items including he has met with Lisa Holocker to get vendor locations set for the August 18<sup>th</sup> Market Night, noted we will not close the street as he is concerned about traffic flow since the fireworks and Hall Red and White game is the same night, the pool will be closing after next weekend and they will be getting it winterized for the year (the pool had a good

year of attendance), August 19th is our city electronic recycling event, the Park Board will meet tomorrow at 7:00 p.m., we have contacted owners of several properties that are empty and have not had water service for several years and asked if they would be interested in allowing a tear down with grant funds that will be expiring in September – no one was interested.

Chief Curran reported he has issued department phones and numbers for officers in charge. City officials can use these numbers if they need to contact the police department and the officers will use the phones for city related items such as pictures, etc. if needed so they won't be using their personal phones for city purposes. Chief Curran also noted Officer Behrens received a certificate of appreciation from AAIM, the department has trained with Fire Chief Bogatitus at the Fire Department so they can assist when needed, new AED's have arrived, been given out to various departments and are very user friendly, new Tasers have also arrived and the department has been training on those, National Night Out was a big success and turnout was even better than last year.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Assoc. reported the 4<sup>th</sup> Street project was awarded to Advanced Asphalt and work will begin tomorrow starting with sidewalks and curbs then driveways after. He also noted he needs direction for the agreement for the OSLAD grant application.

There were no petitions received for consideration.

**#803 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FOR MATERIALS NEEDED TO INSTALL A VALVE AT THE ROUTE 89 WATER TOWER** was presented.

#14708 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Chiaventone that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#804 A RESOLUTION AWARDED A BUSINESS REDEVELOPMENT GRANT TO RUSS BEAUMONT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 107 W. ST. PAUL ST. IN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY** was presented.

#14709 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Bogacz that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski and Bogacz. Abstain: Pellegrini. 7 ayes. 1 abstain. Motion carried.

**#805 A RESOLUTION AWARDED A BUSINESS REDEVELOPMENT GRANT TO RUSS BEAUMONT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 109 W. ST. PAUL ST. IN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY** was presented.

#14710 Moved by Alderman Bogacz and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski and Bogacz. Abstain: Pellegrini. 7 ayes. 1 abstain. Motion carried.

**#806 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY AND RKM FIREWORKS** was presented.

#14711 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#1876 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY** was presented.

#14712 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by VanSchaick that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#1877 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND ADJUDICATION SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY, BUREAU COUNTY, ILLINOIS** was presented.

#14713 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by Baltkauski that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#807 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER AND ADOPTING A SCHEDULE OF HEARING DATES FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY, BUREAU COUNTY, ILLINOIS** was presented.

#14714 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Baltikauski that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#1878 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE BY THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY** was presented.

#14715 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#1879 AN ORDINANCE REGULATING WINDOW DISPLAYS, AMENDING THE REGULATIONS OF SIGNS AND AMENDING ALLOWABLE BUILDING MATERIALS IN A B-1 DISTRICT FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY** was presented.

#14716 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by VanSchaick that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Campbell, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following communications (3) were received and placed on file:

1. Thank you – Hall Township Food Pantry
2. Thank you – Rita Peterson
3. Thank you – Horizon House “Road to Independence”

#14717 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by Pellegrini that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Chiaventone, Affelt, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:40 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 21, 2023

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, CJ VanSchaick, Chris Affelt, Jeff Chiaventone, 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.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

The following reports (3) were received and placed on file:

1. City Treasurer's monthly report (July)
2. Police Chief's monthly report (July)
3. Park Board meeting Minutes (August 7, 2023)

#14718 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by VanSchaick that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14719 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by Bogacz that we approve the City Treasurer's report as presented. Aye Votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

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

#14720 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson gave an update on the Community Center Project noting she is working with Building Inspector Argubright and Superintendent Norton in order to keep moving on the renovation, she is still checking on the status of the windows and the siding and we have received over \$13,500 in donations from businesses and the community for the project. Mayor Malooley-Thompson also reported the last Friday Night Market/Fireworks was outstanding and the turnout was great, the Fire Department "Music on Main" was also a very nice event and had a good turnout.

Alderman Bogacz reported he would like to start putting together next years Street Program and will be using the Paser Study as a starting point but asked the Alderman to give him any thoughts they may have for the program.

Alderman Pellegrini scheduled a Public Health and Safety meeting for Monday, August 28, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss property violations, blighted properties, code enforcement and any other matters that may come before the committee.

Chief Curran reported his department has joined an initiative program "Handle with Care" with the schools. The program just makes schools and counselors aware that there has been an incident and a student should be handled with care and can be helped if needed. Chief Curran feels it seems like a good program.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Associates reported a bid opening will be held August 28, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. for sidewalks included in the \$150,000. downtown grant the city received, the sidewalks and curbs for the 4<sup>th</sup> Street project are about ½ done and he hopes they will be finishing up about mid-September.

Superintendent Norton reported he has been working with Vertical Bridge who will be doing some I Fiber work in front of the Water Treatment Plant and they will be applying for an easement for the project.

There was discussion regarding Heather Apts. and what their intentions are for the apartment buildings as it may have an effect on our grant for the sidewalks in our Safe Routes to Schools grant. We may need to modify our plan for the grant.

The following petition was received for consideration:

1. 815 Elite Softball Team – sponsorship request

Alderman Affelt suggested we make the donation the same as we have donated to the Red Devil Travel Baseball team.

#14721 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Herrmann that we approve a sponsorship to the 815 Elite Softball Team in amount of \$250. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14722 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Chiaventone that we authorize new credit cards at Heartland Bank for the Police Department (Chief Curran) and the Street Department (Superintendent Norton) with a limit not to exceed \$5,000. on each card. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION AWARDED A BUSINESS REDEVELOPMENT GRANT TO GIOVANNI (JOHN) PICCOLO FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 101 E ERIE STREET IN THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY was presented.

#14723 Moved by Alderman Bogacz seconded by Affelt that we table the Resolution until Attorney Barry gives clarification on the grant guidelines. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

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

1. Sales Tax (May)-----	\$ 45,240.78
2. Sales Tax Increase (May)-----	16,625.82
3. MFT (July)-----	10,947.03
4. MFT TRF (July)-----	8,973.63
5. Use Tax (May)-----	16,891.95
6. Telecommunication Fee (May)-----	1,861.71
7. Video Gaming Tax (July)-----	9,832.02
8. Cannabis Use Tax (July)-----	754.39
9. Income Tax (July)-----	55,133.10
10. Comcast Quarterly Franchise Fee-----	23,107.29
11. Comcast – programming advisory	

#14724 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Baltikauski that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:28 p.m.  
Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk