

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 2, 2024

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 at 7:00 p.m. with the following Aldermen answering present to the roll call: Mike Herrmann, C.J. 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.

Spring Valley resident, Bob Mabeley, addressed the mayor and council regarding excessive braking from grain trucks when they come into town. He suggested that putting up another sign on Spalding St. (south side of town) would help the issue. Chief Curran will speak with Mr. Mabeley after the meeting.

#15044 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.

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

#15045 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini 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 reported the proposed Tax Levy Ordinance was in the packet for review and a copy of the proposed Ordinance is available at the City Clerk's office. The mayor also noted that the City of Spring Valley's aggregate levy did not exceed a 5% increase over last year's extension therefore a notice and hearing are not necessary and the Fire Protection levied amount on the City of Spring Valley's levy will be abated if the Fire Protection District gets their levy filed as planned.

Mayor Malooley Thompson introduced Katy Glynn from ENGIE who gave a brief presentation on how they work to improve the quality of life and infrastructure in the community.

Superintendent Norton reported with the weather changing he will be taking down the Veteran's Banners and putting up the rest of the Christmas Decorations. He also discussed another watermain (from Ladd to Marquette Road between Dalzell and Dakota Streets) that needs attention in the near future as it has had several breaks over the years. It will be added to the Capital Improvement list and discussed at committee meeting after the beginning of the year.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin gave an update on the 2024 Street Program noted the original bid work is complete and the contractor is willing to do the cemetery road in the spring at this year's cost.

Chief Curran thanked his officers for their help during the Lighted Parade and noting closing the 300 block of east St. Paul St. for float parking was a good idea and thanked Superintendent Norton for bringing the barricades. He also noted the Christmas giveaway is going well and tentatively scheduled for December 18th.

There were no petitions received for consideration.

#1905 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 3-7-1 and 3-7-5 OF THE SPRING VALLEY CODE RELATING TO THE DEMOLITION AND SALVAGE OPERATIONS OF NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS was presented.

#15046 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, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following bids for the West Interceptor Sewer Improvements were received by 10:00 a.m. on November 21, 2024, opened and read out loud:

John Pohar and Sons, Inc., LaSalle, IL.	\$210,015.50
Gillan Construction, Inc., Spring Valley, IL.	247,553.17
J.W. Ossola Co., Inc., Granville, IL.	319,646.00
Ski-Seal Coating & Maintenance, LaSalle, IL.	386,573.02

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Associates noted the bids came in lower than the estimated cost and recommended accepting the low bid of \$210,015.50 from John Pohar and Sons who will do the work in the winter months.

8930 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SEWER IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WEST INTERCEPTOR (JOHN POHAR AND SONS, INC.) was presented.

#15047 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of The Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15048 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by VanSchaick that we increase the monthly transfer from the General Fund to the Recreation Fund from \$1,250 to \$5,000. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following communications (8) were received and placed on file:

1. Income Tax (October)-----	\$ 62,625.62
2. Use Tax (August)-----	15,633.01
3. Video Gaming Tax (October)-----	12,282.05
4. Cannabis Use Tax (October)-----	686.14
5. Telecommunication Tax (August)-----	1,541.68
6. Utility Tax (October)-----	21,346.72
7. Thank you – Hall Food Pantry	
8. Comcast – price changes	

#15049 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by Affelt that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:30 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2024

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, C.J. 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 (November)
2. Police Chief's monthly report (November)
3. Building Inspector's report (thru December 13, 2024)

#15050 Moved by Alderman Herrmann and seconded by Pellegrini 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.

#15051 Moved by Alderman Bogacz and seconded by Chiaventone 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.

#15052 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Bogacz that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Chiaventone, Affelt, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson reported an Engie Representative will be here tomorrow morning at 8:30 a.m. to look at city buildings and sites for possible grant funding. She noted there is no cost to the city and an agreement will be passed at the next regular council meeting. There was no objection from the city council. Discussion also included a Trees Forever grant which requires an upfront cost but the city would then be reimbursed. The grant application and program were discussed and Superintendent Norton felt the program would be good for the city. We will move forward with the grant application. Mayor Malooley-Thompson also noted she attended the park board meeting at which time Mary Mauck gave her notice of retirement from the park board after 20 years of service. Alderman Pellegrini noted the park board has a lot of things going on including the upcoming Summer Fest and other events.

Chief Curran reported the Christmas give away is scheduled for Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Associates reported contracts are ready for the west interceptor project, the Barto Landing permit to dredge is still in place until December of 2026 and he is working on changing the permit from Hall Township to the City and hopefully get the dredging done before spring and continuing with other work that needs to be done at the landing. Richetta also reported plans for STU funding need to be submitted 3 years prior to the project and he will work on submitting plans for several streets in the STU route which can be modified later if needed.

The following petitions (2) were received for consideration:

1. IVCIL Snowflake Campaign – monetary donation request
2. Habitat for Humanity – monetary donation request

#15053 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Herrmann that we approve a donation to the IVCIL Snowflake Campaign in the amount of \$250. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15054 Moved by Alderman Bogacz and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve a donation to the Habitat for Humanity in the amount of \$100. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#1906 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY, BUREAU COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2024 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2025 was presented.

#15055 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, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Pellegrini discussed the culvert on Greenwood Street and the need for a walking path on Greenwood St. from 7th St. to the subdivision as there are a lot of walkers.

A joint Water and Sewer, Streets and Finance committee meeting was scheduled for January 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss and update the capital improvement plan including Well #11, several water mains, Greenwood Street and any other matters that may come before the committee.

The following communications (14) were received and placed on file:

1. Sales Tax (September)-----	\$ 40,196.97
2. Sales Tax Increase (September)-----	16,254.56
3. MFT (November)-----	11,242.97
4. MFT TRF (November)-----	11,303.11
5. PPR (Oct.-Nov.)-----	4,409.38
6. Utility Tax (November)-----	25,699.94
7. Income Tax (November)-----	48,886.59
8. Use Tax (September)-----	18,120.88
9. Video Gaming Tax (November)-----	12,892.77
10. Cannabis Use Tax (November)-----	700.32
11. Telecomm Fee (September)-----	1,525.62
12. Thank You – Participation in the City of Peru 2024 Light Up Christmas Parade	
13. Comcast – update	
14. Application for hospital property (1302 N Greenwood St.) tax exemption	

Mayor Malooley-Thompson wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

#15056 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Herrmann that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Campbell, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:25 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk