

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 7, 2025

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: C.J. VanSchaick, Ed Jauch, Chris Affelt, Jeff Chiaventone, Deb Baltikauski, Jake Kelley, 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 report was received and placed on file:

1. Building Inspector's report (May 3 – July 3, 2025)

#15192 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Bogacz that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Kelley, 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.

#15193 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Affelt that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley and Pellegrini. Nay vote: Bogacz. 7 ayes. 1 nay. Motion carried.

Spring Valley resident, Lisa Marini, was present and asked how customers would be notified of the new I-Fiber that is being installed through out town. She was told that companies would send out letters or notification when it is available and/or would be going door to door. There was discussion regarding the companies that are installing fiber in town and noted that Geneseo Communications gave a presentation to the council prior to coming into town. Conxxus came to town and started work without notice. Attorney Barry explained the Illinois Commerce Commission allows cable providers to come into town and put their fiber in the city right of way. Other companies may come into town as allowed by the Illinois Commerce Commission as well.

Business owner, John Zurliene was present and introduced himself to City Officials and discussed a request to purchase 3 acres of land locked property from the city. It was noted that the Economic Director is working on this and will get back with Mr. Zurliene.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson announced an open house for the Community Center will be held on August 7<sup>th</sup> and a Grand opening for the Community Center and Concession stand will be held on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Alderman Pellegrini spoke on behalf of the park board about the Summerfest. They are extremely happy with the success of the event noting it drew 100's – 1000's of people for the entertainment, carnival food and drinks. The Summerfest did not lose any money and made about \$7500. The Park Board worked diligently and hard to make the event a success. The same carnival has been booked for the next 3 years. Mayor Malooley-Thompson thanked everyone who was instrumental in its success. If anyone has ideas for next year please contact Alderman Pellegrini or the Park Board.

Chief Curran thanked the Police Department for their time closing roads and being at Summerfest. The event went without incident. Chief Curran reported testing is complete and they are in the process of finalizing the list and the Board of Fire and Police will be meeting again on July 10, 2025.

Mike Richetta gave an update on the Conxxus permitting issue noting he is still working on inspecting work that has already been done and will be making a list for completion before they start working in another area. We have spoke with their Attorney and have agreed to work with them to get things corrected and decide how to move forward.

The following petitions (2) were received for consideration:

1. Aden Lamps Foundation Golf Outing – sponsorship request
2. Perfectly Flawed Golf Outing – sponsorship request

#15194 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by VanSchaick that we approve a sponsorship to the Aden Lamps Foundation Golf Outing in the amount of \$100. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15195 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Chiaventone that we approve a sponsorship to the Perfectly Flawed Golf Outing in the amount of \$120. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. Nay vote: Jauch. 7 ayes. 1 nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson appointed John Thompson to the Spring Valley Park Board

#15196 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by VanSchaick that we approve the Mayor's appointment of John Thompson to the Spring Valley Park Board. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**# 927 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A JOHN DEERE 325G SKID STEER** was presented.

#15197 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Bogacz that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**# 928 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL TO REPLACE THE FLOW METER AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT** was presented.

#15198 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Bogacz that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**# 929 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL TO INSTALL A NEW VALVE AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT** was presented.

#15199 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Chiaventone that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**A PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT** was presented.

#15200 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by Pellegrini that we dispense with the reading of the Proclamation and approve it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Pellegrini presented a plan and an estimated cost to finish the Mini Park renovations. Material estimate is \$9,000 assuming we have enough pavers for the runway. Labor estimate is between \$16,000 - \$18,000. It was noted we have a donor for the fire pit.

#15201 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Kelley that we proceed with finishing the Mini Park renovations as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley and Bogacz. Abstain: Pellegrini. 7 ayes. 1 abstain. Motion carried.

The following communications (4) were received and placed on file:

1. Utility Tax (May)----- \$ 19,488.01
2. Thank you – IVCIL Sunflower Campaign
3. Thank you – Ax Church Hope Week 2025
4. TIF District – projected Real Estate Tax Increment

Alderman Kelley asked for an update on Well 10. Attorney Barry reported he looked at the Well Maintenance Contract and he doesn't believe the company will cover the cost of repairing it. We will need to start scheduling meetings to discuss options.

A Finance committee meeting was scheduled for July 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss finance items and any other matters that may come before the committee.

#15202 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by VanSchaick that we adjourn. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 8:05 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 21, 2025

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: C.J. VanSchaick, Ed Jauch, Chris Affelt, Jeff Chiaventone, Deb Baltikauski, Jake Kelley, 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.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson opened the Public Hearing on the 2025-2026 Appropriation Ordinance. The publication notice for the Public Hearing was at the City Hall and published in the Bureau County Republican 10 days prior to the meeting. The tentative Appropriation was available in the City Clerk's office and distributed to council members for review prior to the meeting. There was no one from the Public in attendance, no comments or questions from the City Council and the hearing was closed.

The following reports (4) were received and placed on file:

1. City Treasurer's monthly report (June)
2. Police Chief's monthly report (June)
3. Building Inspectors Report (thru 7-16-25)
4. Library Board meeting minutes 6/10/25

#15203 Moved by Alderman Bogacz and seconded by Affelt that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15204 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by VanSchaick that we approve the City Treasurer's report as presented. Aye Votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, 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:

#15205 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by VanSchaick that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson gave an update on the new baseball diamond that was discussed at the last Finance Committee meeting and also reported the bathroom partitions for the community center are at least 6 weeks out but she has found two other companies (Colorado and Peoria) that may have the product in stock. The partitions need to be installed as soon as possible as there are no locks on the bathroom door.

Alderman Baltikauski sent video to some City Officials regarding an emergency situation on Verde Ranch Road. The road is in very bad condition and Mayor Malooley-Thompson requested that the road be repaired or closed until it can be repaired. Superintendent Norton has been putting gravel on the road temporarily but it hasn't helped and it needs to be redone with asphalt. There was council discussion and Supt. Norton was instructed to close the road at Rt 29 and Northwestern St. Richetta will get a quote to repair the road and report back to the council.

Alderman Bogacz reported that he has a list of alley approaches and Superintendent Norton has asked Cruz Concrete and Gillan Construction to submit a quote for them by August 31, 2025. The quotes will be on the

regular council meeting agenda on August 4, 2025. Bogacz is also working on the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the sidewalk program and asked the aldermen to give him any sidewalks they feel are in need of repair and he will evaluate them for the list.

There was council discussion regarding the curb and sidewalk removal on E. Dakota St. Mike Richetta from Chamlin explained that the contractor tore out the sidewalk without a permit. He was told that he needed a permit from IDOT. Richetta has been in contact with the contractor who told him it takes IDOT awhile to issue the permit. Richetta will contact him again on Wednesday for an update. Attorney Barry noted we need to make sure it is blocked off.

Alderman Bogacz asked if the chip and seal would be done this year and Richetta said it will not but he will look into getting it done with the spring program. There was discussion regarding using hot oil and slag but that also would not be done until spring.

The following petitions (2) were received for consideration:

1. Hall Booster Organization – sponsorship request
2. Robert LeClerq – request for a handicapped parking sign at 212 S. Greenwood St.

#15206 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Baltikauski that we approve a donation to the Hall Booster Organization in the amount of \$250. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15207 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Jauch that we approve a handicapped sign at 212 S. Greenwood St. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#1918 AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2025 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2026** was presented.

#15208 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Malooley- Thompson presented a letter from the Spring Valley Park Board Foundation Re: Donation to the Spring Valley Mini Park and asked the council to accept any tables and chairs received from their donation campaign “Sit and Stay Awhile”.

#15209 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Bogacz that we accept a donation for the mini park from the Spring Valley Park Foundation “Sit and Stay Awhile” campaign. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**# 930 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS TO APPOINT A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER** was presented.

#15210 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Pellegrini that we dispense with the reading of the Resolution and adopt it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

**#1919 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS, OF TITLE 5, BUSINESS REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY, BUREAU COUNTY ILLINOIS** was presented.

#15211 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by VanSchaick that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. Nay vote: Chiaventone. 7 ayes. 1 nay. Motion carried.

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

1. Sales Tax (April)-----	\$ 53,204.46
2. Sales Tax Increase (April)-----	20,636.73
3. MFT (June)-----	9,842.55
4. MFT TRF (June)-----	10,929.04
5. Income Tax (June)-----	101,686.75
6. Video Gaming Tax (June)-----	15,299.73
7. Cannabis Use Tax (June)-----	731.57
8. Telecommunication Tax (April)-----	1,390.63
9. Use Tax (April)-----	4,043.43
10. Hotel/Motel Tax (May)-----	907.40
11. Utility Tax (June)-----	24,939.71

#15212 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by VanSchaick that we adjourn. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:30 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk