

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 3, 2026

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.

#15445 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Baltikauski 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.

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

#15446 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Chiaventone 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.

Alderman Bogacz handed out a 2026 Sidewalk Program (partial) noting he is still working on a list for Wards 1 and 2. He asked Superintendent Norton to get quotes for the sidewalks on the partial list.

Chief Curran reported that National Night Out is tomorrow starting at 5:00 p.m. He noted a lot of work was put into the event, and he is hoping it will have a good turnout.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin reported seal coating will begin the second week in August, he met with Supt. Norton and staff to discuss plans for the new well, John Schlegle had an issue with a fiber company drilling through the sewer service at his house and it is causing backup in the basement. He asked if the city could help enforce Metro Com to reimburse costs incurred by him due to the drilling through the sewer line. City Attorney Barry has been included in correspondence but noted it is complicated and doesn't know how to handle it, the OSLAD appraisal is still under review, he will continue working on the OSLAD after the watermain and then will work on the Downtown St. Paul St. project.

Superintendent Norton reported that for the last few months there have been several watermain breaks in Webster Park and he is checking to put in more EZ valves and noted eventually he will have to shut down a section of Webster Park to replace the line. It was noted there is currently low water pressure in Webster Park.

The following petitions (7) were received for consideration:

1. Mitchell and Johnna Zemanek – petition to change zoning at 415 Coal Miners Road (refer to Planning Commission)
2. Cut approx. 26' of curb for driveway access at 700 W. Cleveland St.
3. Zack and Annette Hubbard – 1" tap and meter for 217 E. Caroline St.
4. SV Fire Protection District – request to use concession stand and close street in front of mini park for Music on Main August 22, 2026
5. Santas on the Run 5K and 1 mile walk
6. Santas on the Run – sponsorship request
7. IVAC Foundation Golf Outing - Donation request

#15447 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Affelt that we refer the Zemanek petition for rezoning to the Planning Commission for consideration and recommendation. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15448 Moved by Alderman Chiaventone and seconded by Bogacz that we approve the request to cut approx. 26' of curb at 700 W. Cleveland St. Supt. Norton will contact the contractor and let him know he needs to replace the sidewalk. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The petition from Hubbard does not need any action as the tap is already there.

#15449 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by VanSchaick that we approve the petition from the SV Fire Protection District to use the concession stand and close the street in front of the mini park for Music on Main on August 22, 2026 as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15450 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Kelley that we approve the petition from Santas on the Run 5K and 1 mile walk on November 28, 2026 as presented. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15451 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Jauch that we approve a donation to Santas on the Run in the amount of \$150. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15452 Moved by Alderman Bogacz and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve a donation to the IVAC Foundation Golf Outing in the amount of \$100. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following communications (7) were received and placed on file:

1. Income Tax (June)-----	\$109,816.73
2. Use Tax (April)-----	4,625.26
3. Video Gaming Tax (June)-----	7,598.30
4. Cannabis Use Tax (June)-----	803.92
5. Telecommunication Fee (April)-----	1,177.44
6. Hotel/Motel Tax (June)-----	775.08
7. Thank You - Hall Township Food Pantry	

#15453 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini that we go into a closed meeting to discuss employment of the public body pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

CLOSED MEETING 7:37 P.M. TO 8:03 P.M.

#15454 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by VanSchaick that we adjourn. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 8:03 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 17, 2026

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: 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 reports (2) were received and placed on file:

1. City Treasurer's monthly report (July)
2. SV Tree Board meeting minutes July 13, 2026, July 27, 2026, and August 10, 2026

#15455 Moved by Alderman VanSchaick and seconded by Baltikauski 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.

#15456 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Bogacz 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:

#15457 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Chiaventone 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 reported the appraisal for the OSLAD Grant has been approved and we will be moving forward. Attorney Barry was asked to take care of the closing on the property. Mike Richetta handed out a plan for the concession stand for the OSLAD project for review and recommendations. Mayor Malooley-Thompson also reported the shed has arrived at Kirby Park and looks forward to using it to store our equipment. Alderman Pellegrini noted it is a nice addition.

Alderman Bogacz handed out a list of the remaining sidewalks for the 2026 Sidewalk Program. Bogacz noted we can't do all of them on the list and asked for feedback from the aldermen and he will then work on choosing which sidewalks will be done this year. He also noted the Safe Routes to Schools grant was denied this year, but he hopes to apply again next year so we can get more sidewalks done. We have made a lot of progress over the last few years but there are many more that need to be done noting we only have \$150,000. budget for sidewalks.

Chief Curran reported that National Night Out was a great event and we had a lot of people even though other communities decided to have the event as well. He gave a special thank you to Sgt. Pellegrini and Dispatcher Mardy Moreno for all the work they did for the event.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin and Associates reported seal coating will be starting when the weather clears up, discussed maintenance issues that need to be addressed on Elm St. and Iowa St. noting IDOT is still reviewing the Street Program if we want to add to it. He also gave an update on costs to run sewer to Coal Miners Road per a request from Mitch and Johnna Zemanek which will be referred to the Public Utilities committee for consideration and noting there will be another new home on Coal Miners that would also like to hook into the city sewer.

Superintendent Norton reported he is looking into issues in Webster Park and installing EZ valves which would cost approx. \$13,000.

The following petitions (2) were received for consideration:

1. Red Devil Touch Down Club Golf Outing – sponsorship request
2. Caruso – 1” tap and meter for new home at 372 Coal Miners Road

#15458 Move by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Chiaventone that we approve a donation to the Red Devil Touchdown Club Golf Outing in the amount of \$100. Aye Votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#15459 Move by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve the Caruso petition for a 1” tap and meter at 372 Coal Miners Road as presented. Aye Votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

966 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY was presented.

Mayor Malooley-Thompson introduced Attorney Brad Popurella who will be our City Attorney.

#15460 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Jauch 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.

1945 AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE POSITION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND EVENTS COORDINATOR FOR THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY, BUREAU COUNTY, ILLINOIS was presented.

#15461 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented with an amendment that updates be given to the council monthly. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. Nay vote: Chiaventone. 7 ayes. 1 nay. Motion carried.

967 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RETAINER AGREEMENT BETWEEN KLEIN, THORPE, & JENKINS LTD AND THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY was presented.

#15462 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by VanSchaick 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.

The following proposals (3) for the 2026 Sidewalk Program (partial) were received by August 13, 2026, opened and read out loud:

Memo's Concrete, LLC. Spring Valley, IL.	\$ 64,137.00
Gillan Construction, LLC Spring Valley, IL.	\$ 66,982.00
Gensini Excavating, Princeton, IL.	\$ 85,104.41

#15463 Moved by Alderman Bogacz and seconded by VanSchaick that we approve the low proposal from Memo's Concrete, LLC. in the amount of \$ 64,137.00. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley and Bogacz. Nay vote: Pellegrini. 7 ayes. 1 nay. Motion carried

A REQUEST FROM MITCH AND JOHNNA ZEMANEK FOR VARIANCE AT 415 COAL MINERS ROAD was presented.

The request from Zemanek was discussed by the council and then referred to a Public Utilities Committee meeting for more information and further review. Attorney Popurella explained the committee will review the request and make a recommendation based on feasibility and financial and decide whether it should be placed on the agenda as an action item or not as they see fit.

Alderman VanSchaick scheduled a Public Utilities Committee meeting for September 2, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. to review and discuss the variance request from Zemanek and any other matters that may come before the committee.

The following communications (12) were received and placed on file:

1. Sales Tax (May)-----	\$ 105,089.36
2. Sales Tax Increase (May)-----	46,397.18
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3. MFT (July)-----	10,580.85
4. MFT TRF (July)-----	11,110.01
5. Grocery Tax (May)-----	5,032.18
6. Utility Tax (June)-----	23,377.36
7. Use Tax (May)-----	2,109.54
8. Income tax (July)-----	61,622.54
9. Video Gaming Tax (July)-----	13,611.71
10. Cannabis Use Tax (July)-----	902.65
11. Telecommunication Tax (May)-----	1,246.51
12. Comcast Quarterly Franchise Fee-----	16,109.33

#15464 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Chiaventone that we adjourn. Aye votes: VanSchaick, Jauch, Affelt, Chiaventone, Baltikauski, Kelley, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:45 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk