



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
Springfield City Hall
170 North 3rd Street

CALL TO ORDER

- Public announcement that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted in the entry to the meeting room
- Roll call
- Pledge of Allegiance

CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items are approved in one motion unless removed by a Council Member. Removed items will be placed under the Regular Agenda for consideration and action by the Council.

1. Approve Minutes of the June 4, 2013 Council Meeting
2. Approve Treasurer's Report
3. Reappoint David Kulm, Jerry Webster and Roy Swenson to the Springfield Planning Commission
4. Consider waiving the Community Building rental fee for the Summer Theater Players' performance of *Miss Nelsen has a Field Day* on Friday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Consider Mark Scholting's request for an annual special use permit for his mobile home located at 15010 Platteview Road
2. **Tabled June 4, 2013.** Lani Bresler, Allure Photography, 175 Main Street – Discuss Community Building usage and present business plan for shows and events
3. Consider approval of a bid from Layne Christensen in the amount of \$11,530.00 for the installation of a variable speed drive on City Well #2
4. Consider a Right of Entry proposal from Verizon Wireless allowing them to access Buffalo Park for the purpose of performing an inspection of the property to determine if it could serve as a possible site for a new telecommunications tower
5. Consider forming a Springfield Tree Board

6. Consider the purchase of new benches for Main Street
7. Real Prout, Corporation v. City of Springfield
8. Discuss Larry Nolte's annual review and consider a proposed merit increase

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Water & Parks Department – Bob Roseland
2. Library & Community Building – Randy Fleming
3. Sewer Department – Dan Craney
4. Street Department – Chad Nolte
5. Mayor's Report – Mike Dill
6. City Staff Reports

The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into executive session per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall on June 18, 2013. Present were Mayor Mike Dill; Council Members: Bob Roseland, Randy Fleming, Chad Nolte. Absent: Dan Craney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting in three public places, one of the designated methods of giving notice. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to the Mayor and all Council Members and a copy of their receipt of notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. The Mayor publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Nolte, seconded by Roseland, to approve the Consent Agenda. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

The City Clerk reported a balance on hand of \$827,806.44 in cash assets; Prestige Treasury - \$203,792.67; Prestige Bond - \$484,394.51; Keno Community Betterment - \$138,713.93; Keno Progressive Jackpot - \$50,000.00; Water Deposit Savings - \$4,178.17; Refundable Deposit Savings - \$1,219.86; Water Tower Savings - \$112,101.43; Sewer Restricted - \$76,203.18; Water Capital Facilities Fees - \$32,205.35; Sewer Capital Facilities Fees - \$75,145.80; City Sales Tax - \$261,425.06; Money Mark Library Bricks - \$3,556.28; Government Securities - \$104,042.35; Library Savings - \$73,224.14; Time Certificates as follows: Bond - \$76,386.12; Tower - \$57,163.73; Water - \$124,890.17; Park -

\$11,889.06; Library Bricks - \$21,160.47; Cash Receipts - \$187,338.90; Cash Disbursements - \$154,666.83; Refunding Bond 2009 Interest Pymt \$8,170.00, Principal Pymt \$35,000.00.

Regular Agenda

Agenda Item 1. Motion by Nolte, seconded by Roseland, to approve Mark Scholting's annual special use permit for his mobile home located at 15010 Platteview Road. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 2. Lani Bresler, Allure Photography, and Tammy Muecke, Tammy Muecke Photography, 175 Main Street, presented the Council with a written proposal for a new rental process for the Community Building. Mike Dappen, SSAP President, was in attendance to review the SSAP's use of the building for volleyball and basketball practices and games. He said that the groups practice on weeknights and use the gym on weekends for games. Nolte informed the Council that he has received numerous complaints from residents about the city considering not allowing the SSAP to continue to use the building for their programs. Mayor Dill reviewed discussion from the town hall meeting held on May 6 during which audience members indicated that they would like to have someone promote the building with activities. Bresler said that she and Muecke want to become the primary rental contacts for the building and make it more productive. She said that they could generate more local business income through their rentals for events such as weddings. Bresler pointed out that weekends would be the most popular for rentals and that the SSAP games would interfere with rentals. She suggested that the city compromise with the SSAP on usage of the facility. Wendy Post, Community Building Rental Coordinator, was in attendance and provided rental information. Judy Wichman, 490 Platteview Drive, pointed out that the building is a community building for community programs and events, and not meant for extending someone's business. Roseland brought up issues with ADA regulations, providing adequate restroom facilities, and costs associated with upgrades Bresler and Muecke were requesting. Mayor Dill suggested that he, another City Council Member, Bresler, Muecke, Post, and Dappen meet to continue discussion and discuss possibilities for the building.

Agenda Item 3. Rick Lee, Maintenance Manager, requested the Council consider the purchase of a variable speed drive for well #2 in City Park. He said that the current pump starts hard, bangs and shakes the well house building. Motion by Roseland, seconded by Nolte, to approve the bid from Layne Christensen in the amount of \$11,530.00 for the installation of a variable speed drive on city well #2. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4. Council discussed the right of entry proposal from Verizon Wireless allowing them access to Buffalo Park for the purpose of performing an inspection of the property to determine if it could serve as a possible site for a new telecommunications tower. Motion by Fleming, seconded by Roseland, to direct a representative of Verizon Wireless attend the July 2, 2013, Council meeting to review their right of entry proposal. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 5. Council reviewed current tree ordinances and requested that Springfield Municipal Codes §2-301 thru 2-307 be repealed and the code amended to allow the Council to make decisions regarding street trees instead of a tree board.

Agenda Item 6. Council reviewed a proposal for the purchase of six new benches for downtown Main Street. The City Clerk reported that the benches would be purchased using keno community betterment proceeds. Motion by Fleming, seconded by Roseland, to approve the purchase of six (6) four foot (4') long benches from Upbeat Site Furnishings in the amount of \$5,794.49 for downtown Main Street. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Items 7 and 8. Motion by Fleming, seconded by Roseland, to move agenda item 7, regarding Real Prout Corporation v. City of Springfield, and agenda item 8, regarding Larry Nolte's annual review, into executive session. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Department Reports

Agenda Item 1. Roseland reported that he and Rick Lee, Maintenance Manager, obtained a second site for a test well location. The two test wells will be conducted on properties owned by the Springfield American Legion and St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Roseland said that the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services has to inspect the test well locations and approve them prior to drilling. He also reported that the maintenance department has finished pouring concrete at City Park.

Agenda Item 2. Fleming reported that the Springfield Library Board is almost ready to provide a recommendation to the Council for the purchase of an electronic sign. He pointed out that the Community Building was used a lot during the last month.

Agenda Item 3. No Department Report from Craney.

Agenda Item 4. Nolte reported that resident sidewalk construction is progressing. He said he requested the maintenance department obtain quotes for sealing asphalt overlays. Nolte also reported that the maintenance department has transferred all of the material piles from the old maintenance shop location to the two new lots on South 1st and Pflug Road.

Agenda Item 5. No Department Report from Mayor Dill.

Agenda Item 6. Rick Lee, Maintenance Manager, provided the Council with maintenance reports.

Mike Dappen, President of the SSAP, expressed interest in hooking on to the city's water and sewer system or installing a septic system at the soccer field complex. Council requested that this item be placed on the July 2 agenda.

Executive Session

Motion by Roseland, seconded by Nolte, to enter into executive session at 8:24 p.m. for the purpose of litigation and personnel matters. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Roseland, seconded by Nolte, to leave executive session at 8:42 p.m. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Roseland, seconded by Fleming, to table agenda item 8, regarding Larry Nolte's annual review, until the July 2, 2013, Council meeting. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Nolte, seconded by Roseland, to adjourn. AYES: Roseland, Fleming, Nolte. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m. Motion carried.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Springfield, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on June 18, 2013; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news

media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Kathleen Gottsch, City Clerk