

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 5, 2020

The regular meeting of the Spring Valley City Council was held in the City Hall Council Chambers and called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Aldermen answering present to the roll call: Mike Herrmann, Ed Jauch, Chris Affelt, Fred West, Jeff Janusick, 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.

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

1. Building Inspector's quarterly report (July 1 – September 30, 2020)
2. Economic Director's report

#13999 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Janusick that we appoint Alderman Herrmann Mayor Pro-tem. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14000 Moved by Alderman Affelt and seconded by Jauch that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin gave an update on the Ladd Road project and reported the MFT project should begin on Wednesday.

Superintendent Norton reported the Aerators at the WWTP are up and running.

Alderman Baltikauski reported that her Legislative committee minutes for October 1, 2020 have been filed with the City Clerk.

Alderman Herrmann reported on a Finance committee meeting held on October 1, 2020 at which time discussion included a façade grant application from the SV Tastee Freeze in the amount of \$2,960., purchasing of automatic readers to finish those not complete yet and appraisals for to possible parking areas by the old Terando hotel.

Mayor Marini was present via telephone and asked if we had any answers from Mrs. Sobin on one of the possible parking areas. Alderman Pellegrini noted she is speaking with her children and will get back with us.

Alderman Herrmann scheduled a Finance committee meeting for October 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss purchasing a lot for possible parking for the old Terando hotel if renovated and any other matters that may come before the committee.

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

#14001 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Janusick that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following petition was received for consideration:

1. Lisa Holocker – close Bern Street for a block party

October 31, 2020

Chief Curran reported he had spoke with Mrs. Holocker and she has rescinded the request to close the street for a block party on October 31, 2020.

The following communications (5) were received and placed on file:

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| 1. CDBG Grant Funds (Amia Boutique)----- | \$ 18,119.28 |
| 2. Hotel/Motel Tax (August)----- | 1,583.32 |
| 3. Utility Tax (August)----- | 27,446.31 |
| 4. Thank You – Hall Township Food Pantry | |
| 5. Thank You – Aden Lamps Foundation | |

City Clerk Hansen swore in Police Chief Adam Curran who was appointed to the position effective October 1, 2020.

A SV REVITALIZATION APPLICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM SV TASTEE FREEZE

#14002 Moved by Alderman Baltikauski and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve the SV Revitalization Grant Application from SV Tastee Freeze in an amount not to exceed \$2,960. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

The following bids (2) were received for tree removal at 6th and Spalding Street:

1. AAA Tree Service - \$2,400.00
2. Shearer Tree Service - \$2,800.00

There was discussion regarding the bids and it was noted the last tree removal was given to AAA Tree Service and the work has not been done yet. Shearer noted they can get the job done next week for \$2,600. Alderman West recommends accepting Shearer's bid in order to expedite the removal due to the tree being a hazard.

#14003 Moved by Alderman West and seconded by Pellegrini that we approve the bid from Shearer Tree Service in the amount of \$2,600. To remove the tree at 6th and Spalding St. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding purchasing auto read meters for residential homes that have not already been installed. Alderman Bogacz asked if we should go out for bid on the meters and it was noted that we have been purchasing our meters from Midwest Meters and we need to get them ordered. Alderman Herrmann noted we will be seeking a loan to purchase the meters and for installation of the meters but we are hopeful we will receive a CURES grant to pay for the meters.

#14004 Moved by Alderman Janusick and second by West that we approve the purchase of auto read meters from Midwest Meters and installation of auto read meters from Chapman in an amount of approx. \$300,000. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14005 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Baltikauski that we set Trick or Treat hours from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on October 31, 2020. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Bogacz noted that Mr. French has removed his equipment off of the streets.

#14006 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Janusick that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:20 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 19, 2020

The regular meeting of the Spring Valley City Council was held in the City Hall Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Marini at 7:00 p.m. with the following Aldermen answering present to the roll call: Mike Herrmann, Ed Jauch, Chris Affelt, Fred West, Jeff Janusick, 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.

The following reports (6) were received and placed on file:

1. City Treasurer's monthly report (September)
2. City Treasurer's annual report (Fiscal year 2020)
3. Police Chief's monthly report (September)
4. Economic Director's report
5. Fall Flushing Schedule
6. Residential Leaf pick-up schedule

#14007 Moved by Alderman Janusick and seconded by Herrmann that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting and approve them as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Chief Curran noted the 2013 Chevy Impala on the agenda for disposal this evening has been ran hard and is at its life's end and they are ready to get rid of it.

Superintendent Norton met with IDNR to look at the hill that is sliding on the east side of Coal Miner's Park. They are looking into seeing how they can take care of the issue. Norton also announced Fall Flushing and Leaf pickup have both began today.

Mike Richetta from Chamlin reported the STU project on Ladd Road and the MFT Street Program are both 100% complete.

Alderman Herrmann reported on a Finance committee meeting held on October 15, 2020 at which time discussion included possible purchase of property for parking, 228-230 E. St. Paul St. rehab, seal repair on generator at WTP and release of Drug Asset Forfeiture funds since the lawsuit is over.

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

#14008 Moved by Alderman West and seconded by Baltikauski that we dispense with the reading of the bills, approve them as presented and warrants be drawn for same. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

There were no petitions received for consideration.

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

1. CDBG Grant #1 – Valley Flowers & Gifts-----	\$18,750.00
2. Sales Tax (September)-----	34,766.71
3. Sales Tax Increase (September)-----	11,306.72
4. Use Tax (July)-----	21,123.48
5. MFT (September)-----	10,342.76
6. MFT TRF (September)-----	7,468.92

7. Income Tax (September)-----	61,830.59
8. Telecommunication Fees (July)-----	2,300.65
9. Video Gaming Tax (September)-----	5,574.68
10. Cannabis Use Tax (September)-----	274.20
11. Comcast – Dial position of WYZZ on channel line up	
12. Project Success “Holiday Baskets” – donation request	

#14009 Moved by Alderman West and seconded by Bogacz that we approve a donation to Project Success for Holiday Baskets in the amount of \$350.00. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#1791 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF SPRING VALLEY (2013 CHEVY IMPALA) was presented.

#14010 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Jauch that we dispense with the reading of the Ordinance and approve it as presented. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14011 Moved by Alderman Janusick and seconded by Affelt that we authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the necessary paperwork for a loan at SVCB for the purchase of auto read meters and installation of meters in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Attorney Andreoni noted the loan at SVCB requires an ordinance which he will prepare and have ready for approval at the next regular city council meeting.

Alderman Bogacz asked if we should get another quote for the generator repair at the WTP. Superintendent Norton noted there are only so many certified to repair Generac equipment and EVAPAR was recommended by the original provider of the generator. Norton also noted he is confident with their work and the cost is worst case scenario and it could be less. Bogacz asked about the 10% discount we have with our annual inspection agreement. Norton will ask our Water Treatment plant operator to find out about the discount.

#14012 Moved by Alderman Jauch and seconded by Herrmann that we authorize EVAPAR to repair generator at the WTP in an amount of \$18,267.20. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14013 Moved by Alderman Pellegrini and seconded by Janusick that we go into closed session to review closed meeting minutes and to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5). Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

CLOSED MEETING 7:21 P.M. TO 7:40 P.M.

#14014 Moved by Alderman Janusick and seconded by Jauch that we go back into regular session. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

#14015 Moved by Alderman Janusick and seconded by Baltikauski that we release minutes related to the Safe Unit/Karen Donnelly Lawsuit dated 2/13/17, 2/27/17, 3/13/17, 6/19/17, 7/5/17, 9/11/17, 12/18/17, 4/9/18, 5/21/18, 6/8/18 and 6/16/20, Aerator Solutions dated 7/29/19, 11/18/19, 12/16/19, 1/27/20 and 2/24/20, McFadden property dated 3/27/19, personnel with names redacted dated 12/30/19 and

1/13/20 and review meeting minutes dated 10/8/18. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Herrmann scheduled a Finance committee meeting for Monday, October 26, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss possible sale of real estate at 228-230 E St. Paul St. in closed meeting pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5) and any other matters that may come before the committee.

Alderman Baltikauski scheduled a Legislative committee meeting for October 26, 2020 immediately following Finance to discuss eliminating the Deputy Chief position, review façade grant requirements, review amendments to the Playground and Recreation Chapter of the City Code and any other matters that may come before the committee.

#14016 Moved by Alderman West and seconded by Jauch that we adjourn. Aye votes: Herrmann, Jauch, Affelt, West, Janusick, Baltikauski, Bogacz and Pellegrini. 8 ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourn: 7:50 p.m.

Rebecca L. Hansen, City Clerk