Village of Spring Grove – Village Board
Regular Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. President’s Report
   A. Swearing in of Police Officer Daniel McKinney
4. Clerk’s Report
5. Engineering Report
6. Public Works Report
7. Police Department Report
8. Committee Reports
9. Public Discussion (Public discussion shall be limited to three minutes per speaker)
10. Consent Agenda (items listed on the Consent Agenda will be approved by a single vote of the Board unless a member of the Board requests that a separate vote be taken on any item)
   A. Approval of the November 5, 2019 Village Board Regular Meeting Minutes
   B. Approval of the 2020 Calendar of Meetings
   C. Approval of a Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement with the Major Crash Assistance Team of Northeastern McHenry County
   D. Approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 26, Miscellaneous Offenses, of the Village Code
11. Unfinished Business
12. New Business
   A. Discussion and possible approval of wastewater treatment repairs
   B. Discussion on extending the sewer main to 8021 Blivin Street
   C. Discussion on the Community Development Plan
      i. Execute long term solution for wastewater treatment facility
      ii. Explore plans for downtown development
   D. Consideration of a proposal to replace the siding, fascia, soffit, sills and trim at the Hatchery Park Main Building
   E. Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Levy of Taxes for the Year 2019 and repealing Ordinance No. 2019-45
13. Other Business
14. Adjournment

Posted: November 15, 2019 at 3:00 pm
MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF SPRING GROVE
NOVEMBER 19, 2019

Council Chambers, Spring Grove, Illinois, November 19, 2019; a Regular Meeting of the Village Board was held this date at 6:02 p.m., at the Municipal Centre, 7401 Meyer Road; President Eisenberg presiding.

Roll Call. Roll call showed the following Board members present: President Mark Eisenberg; Trustees Mike Lee, Jeff Letzter, Pat Mazzanti, Bob McMahon and Kelly Popelka - 6. Absent: Trustee Lloyd Simonson - 1. Also present for the Village were: Tom Sanders, Chief of Police/Executive Assistant; Mike Ringler, Public Works Supervisor; Scott Puma, Village Attorney; Steve Bicking, Village Engineer; and Sandi Rusher, Village Clerk.

President’s Report. President Eisenberg and Trustee Lee provided an update on the meetings with Senator Craig Wilcox, Representative Lauren Underwood and the McHenry County Council of Mayors seeking funding opportunities for sewer, water and transportation projects. The village will be receiving additional MFT funds over the next three years.

Swearing In of Police Officer Daniel McKinney. President Eisenberg swore in officer Daniel McKinney.

Clerk’s Report. The annual Tree Lighting will be held on December 7 at Horse Fair Park.

Engineering Report. The sidewalk construction and culver replacement on Main Street will begin in the spring of 2020.

Public Works Report. The homeowners in The Preserve subdivision will be notified that they are not allowed to discharge water into the roadway as it creates a hazard. Homeowners will have to discharge onto their own property or seek a permit to discharge into a storm drain. Consent was granted to order a new 10 ft. plow.

Police Department Report. None.

Committee Reports. None.

Public Discussion. President Eisenberg then opened the meeting up for discussion by the public.

Mike Starsiak complimented the Police Department and stated The Preserve HOA is aware of the discharge issues and will be addressing it at their upcoming meeting. The subdivision is also in the process of obtaining a permit for a control burn. He was told to notify the Building and Fire Departments when it is scheduled.

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Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Lee to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lee, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Popelka – 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.

New Business.
Discussion and possible approval of wastewater treatment repairs. Rick Leber and Ryan Christenson with Robinson Engineering presented options to repair the wastewater treatment plant, expand it, or replace it with a new system. The estimated costs to repair the plant to bring it back to full operational mode is between $280,000 and $500,000. The life expectancy of the plant after the repairs are made is expected to be a minimum of 10 years and the longevity would increase with continued repairs. The estimated cost to expand is $3,000,000 and it would require full IEPA permitting process and a different treatment process. The estimated cost to replace the plant is $9,000,000 and require full IEPA permitting process. After much discussion, the board directed Mr. Leber to prepare a bid document to make the necessary repairs to the plant.

President Eisenberg directed the Public Works Department to investigate raising the stormwater drains because the infiltration of rainwater is negatively affecting the wastewater treatment plant.

Discussion on extending the sewer main to 8021 Blivin Street. Jim Holian, owner, inquired if the Village would allow him to repair his failing septic system instead of hooking up the property to sewer. The county denied his request to repair it because there is a sewer main within 500 feet of the property. Even though the property is within 500 feet of the sanitary sewer, the Village denied the request because there is no main in front of the property and the Village is not contemplating extending the main at this time.

Discussion on the Community Development Plan.
• Execute long term solution for wastewater treatment facility. The execution of a long term solution for the wastewater treatment facility was discussed earlier in the meeting

• Explore plans for downtown development. The village received a Safe Routes to School grant for sidewalks and culvert replacement on Main Street that will be done in 2020 along with the resurfacing of Main Street from Blivin Street to Winn Road so it wanted to explore plans to development a Town Square at the southwest corner of Main and Blivin Streets. A proposed Site Plan that featured 40 parking spots, a gazebo, brick sidewalks, landscaping, bike racks, benches and new decorative streetlights was presented and discussed. The parking spaces are designed around the perimeter of the site with open space in the center. The plans would improve the quality of parking by providing 34 additional spaces and dedicated handicapped spots. The plan can be developed in phases and community and fundraising involvement is feasible. The Board looked favorably upon the Site Plan but voiced caution committing any funds toward developing it as there are other projects that need to be addressed that have a greater potential to generate revenue.
Consideration of a proposal to replace the siding, fascia, soffit, sills and trim at the Hatchery Park Main Building. The village received one bid in the amount of $72,314 which is much higher than anticipated and budgeted for. The village will pursue other options to make the necessary repairs. Trustee McMahon moved, seconded by Trustee Mazzanti to accept the bid. Roll call vote: Ayes: None. Nays: Lee, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Popelka – 5. Motion failed.

Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Levy of Taxes for the Year 2019 and repealing Ordinance No. 2019-45. President Eisenberg proposed amending the tax levy to redistribute the $15,645 increase from last year’s levy to the general fund instead of the police pension fund as the village has a lot of projects that need to be addressed and the pension fund did not ask for the additional funds. Trustee Letzter moved, seconded by Trustee Popelka to approve the ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 2019-45 and Levying Taxes for the Year 2019. Roll call vote: Ayes: Lee, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Popelka – 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Other Business. None.

There being no further business, Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Letzter to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandi Rusker, Village Clerk