



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 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 October 5, 2021 Council Meeting
2. Approve Treasurer's Report

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Conduct a **Public Hearing** for the One and Six Year Road Plan; approve **Resolution 2021-29** accepting and adopting the One and Six Year Road Plan
2. Travis Riley, Springfield Youth Athletic Association (SYAA) –Request to waive the Community Building rental fee for SYAA baseball programs during winter months
3. **Tabled October 5, 2021.** Ron Alexander, High School Principal and Athletic Director – Discuss City Park infield drainage issues and potential options to correct the situation; request financial cost share for repairs
4. Consider adding internet service at City Park and Buffalo Park ball fields
5. Consider bids from Titan Machinery and Murphy Tractor & Equipment for the purchase of a new backhoe/loader for the maintenance department
6. Discuss relocation of City Hall to current elementary school

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Sewer Department – Mike Neitzel
2. Library & Community Building – Michael Herzog
3. Water & Parks Department – Kacie Murtha
4. Street Department – Dan Craney
5. Mayor’s Report – Bob Roseland
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 Tuesday, October 19, 2021. Present were Mayor Bob Roseland; Council Members: Mike Neitzel, Michael Herzog, Kacie Murtha, 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 Herzog, seconded by Craney, to approve the Consent Agenda. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

The City Clerk reported a balance on hand of \$3,626,239.83 in cash assets; Prestige Treasury-\$205,676.46; Prestige Bond-\$1,085,223.90; Keno Community Betterment-\$304,983.98; Keno Progressive Jackpot-\$50,006.30; Water Deposit Savings-\$4,206.64; Refundable Deposit Savings-\$1,228.18; Water Tower Savings-\$237,081.61; Sewer Restricted-\$240,136.99; Water Capital Facilities Fees-\$115,351.22; Sewer Capital Facilities Fees-\$631,412.62; City Sales Tax-\$3,956,800.20; Money Mark Library Bricks-\$3,970.81; Government Securities-\$116,111.08; Library Savings-\$1,634.72; ASIP at Pinnacle-\$1,230,359.60; Time Certificates as follows: Bond-\$79,614.51; Tower-\$59,578.33; Water-\$131,295.14; Library Bricks-\$13,040.29; Library Restricted-\$41,918.90; Cash Receipts-\$240,358.79; Cash Disbursements-\$298,339.30; Various Purpose Bond 2013 and Sidewalk Bond 2014 principal \$55,000.00, interest \$755.00.

Regular Agenda

Agenda Item 1. A Public Hearing opened at 7:01 p.m. to consider the One and Six Year Road Plan. Council reviewed plan updates and project descriptions. No one from the public spoke in favor of or in opposition to the plan. Motion by Herzog, seconded by Murtha, to close the public hearing. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried. Public Hearing closed at 7:02 p.m.

Council Member Murtha introduced Resolution 2021-29 and moved its adoption. Council Member Herzog seconded the foregoing motion and on roll call on the passage and adoption of said resolution, the following voted YEA: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. The following voted NAY: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion carried and said resolution passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION 2021-29

One & Six Year Road Plan

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska as follows:

WHEREAS, the City Street Superintendent has prepared and presented a One Year and Six Year Plan for the Street Improvement Program for the City of Springfield, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held on the 19th day of October, 2021, in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Public Roads Classification and Standards, to present this plan and there was discussion held with respect to said plan;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mayor and City Council of Springfield, Nebraska, that the One and Six Year Plan for streets as presented at said public hearing has been accepted and approved.

Introduced and Passed this 19th day of October, 2021.

City Council Member Murtha moved the adoption of said resolution.
City Council Member Herzog seconded the motion.

Record of Vote:

Ayes: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Approved: Robert Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

Attest: Kathleen Gottsch, City Clerk

Agenda Item 2. Travis Riley, on behalf of the Springfield Youth Athletic Association, requested the Council waive the Community Building rental fee for the 9U, 10U and 13U select baseball teams. The teams will use the building on Saturday mornings for practices during the winter months. SYAA will

provide the insurance and deposit. Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to waive the Community Building rental fee for the SYAA 9U, 10U and 13U select baseball team practices on Saturday mornings during the winter months with the understanding that any paid renter with at least two weeks booking notice shall supersede the SYAA's use of the building. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 3. Gregg Newton with The Diamonds Groundskeeper reviewed his bid for infield work at City Park. In addition to the work quoted, Newton recommends that a sprinkler head box be installed behind the pitcher's mound. This sprinkler head would rotate around the infield to water down the agrilime. He said agrilime needs $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of water per day. The additional cost for this option is \$800. Newton noted that the cost of diesel has increased by \$.45 per gallon since the bid was first provided, so the total project cost has increased by \$1,000. He suggested that wood boards be installed along the backstop and fence line to help hold the agrilime on the field. Newton said that he would also show grounds crew members how to maintain the field. Travis Riley, SYAA, said that their organization has a field master that could be used to work the infield. Newton said that installing curb around the parking lot would also help eliminate water rushing from the parking lot into the outfield and onto the infield. Once this work is done, one load of agrilime would need to be brought in every two or so years to maintain the field. Newton also recommended installing drain tile around the arc of the outfield. This addition would cost approximately \$2,500.00. Ron Alexander, High School Principal, said he would visit with the School Superintendent about this project and get financial authority to move forward. Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to approve the bid from The Diamonds Groundskeeper in the amount of \$21,000 plus \$800 for the sprinkler head box and approximately \$2,500 for the drain tile for a total estimated project cost of \$24,500, contingent upon the Springfield Platteview School District paying for one-half of the total project cost. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha. NAYS: Craney. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 4. Council reviewed a quote from Spectrum for internet installation at City Park and Buffalo Park. Springfield Platteview Schools requested the city consider paying for a portion of this project. Council members expressed concern with paying the monthly service fee. Mayor Roseland said he would visit with Dr. Saunders, School Superintendent, about this matter. Council considered the city installing the lines and the school paying the monthly fee. Motion by Herzog, seconded by Murtha, to table agenda item 4, regarding internet installation to City Park and Buffalo Park, until Mayor Roseland has a chance to visit with Dr. Saunders. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 5. Motion by Murtha, seconded by Herzog, to approve the bid from Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co. / John Deere in the amount of \$71,000 for a new John Deere 310L Backhoe Loader, which includes a trade-in of \$21,000 for the city's current John Deere 310G Loader. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 6. Council discussed the potential relocation of City Hall to the elementary school building. Council considered building code issues, needed upgrades, utility concerns, layout, and future needs. Council also discussed the school district's intended relocation of their district office into the building, as well as their suggestion to rent out a portion of the building for other business type uses. No action taken.

Department Reports

Agenda Item 1. No Department Report from Neitzel.

Agenda Item 2. No Department Report from Herzog.

Agenda Item 3. Murtha reported that Sterling Lambries, Parks Director, is obtaining bids to run electricity to the dugouts at Buffalo Park, as per Legion Baseball's request. She also took a moment to express gratitude to Coach Salberg for his years of service to the youth of Springfield.

Agenda Item 4. Craney reported that the new concrete pad was poured at the maintenance shop. He requested that the street department begin tarring.

Agenda Item 5. Mayor Roseland reported that a Leadership Sarpy group would like to do their class project in Springfield. He plans to attend the special Sewer Agency meeting on October 20.

Agenda Item 6. No additional city staff reports.

Adjournment

Motion by Neitzel, seconded by Craney, to adjourn. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 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 October 19, 2021; 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