SPRINGVILE NEWS

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SEDC hosted music in the park staring Kevin Moore

Photo taken by Cortney Pearson

American Legion Auxiliary

August 7 - 6:00 PM Springville Legion

Legion Dinner/Mtg

August 14 - 6:30 PM Springville Legion

Library Board

August 13 - 6:30 PM Springville Memorial Library

P & Z Meeting

August 12 - 6:00 PM City Hall

School Board

August 20 - 7:00 PM Springville High School

Council Meeting

August 4 - 6:00 PM August 18 - 6:00 PM City Hall

Historical Society

August 12 - 6:30 PM

Parks

August 14 - 6:00 PM City Hall

CITY HALL LOBBY HOURS

Monday - Wednesday - Friday

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Tuesday - Thursday 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

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Dee's Desk

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."

~Author Unknown

SIGN ME UP



I have had an opportunity to think about our community and our needs. As I have taken on a new role in SEDC (Springville Economic Development Corporation) and working with our council to come up with a capital improvement plan, I can see a community that is worth bragging about. Springville thrives because of the people who step up, speak out, and show up.

With local elections just around the corner and several board and committee seats opening up, now is the perfect time to consider how *you* can get involved. Whether it's serving on our local fire department, a city board, helping at the library, coaching youth sports, or simply volunteering in your child's classroom—every role, big or small, helps build a stronger community.

Our city runs on the dedication of civil servants, volunteers, and everyday residents who care enough to make a difference. Parks don't clean themselves. Community or school events don't organize on their own. And local boards can't operate without people who are willing to bring their perspectives to the table.

If you've ever thought, "I wish our town had..." or "Someone should fix..."—maybe that someone is you. We encourage you to explore opportunities to serve, support, and uplift your neighbors. Sometimes you are just the one with the idea, but need help getting to the finish line.

Reach out to City Hall, your child's school, the Springville Parks Board, the Library, or the Fire Department to learn how you can help. The more we work together, the more we can accomplish.

Let's continue to make Springville a place where community means something—and where everyone has a chance to make a difference.

Your city clerk,

Dee Wagaman



Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing Coming in August

The City of Springville will be conducting sanitary sewer smoke testing starting the week of August 4, 2025. This important project helps us find and fix places where clean water is entering the sanitary sewer system—such as storm drains or cracked pipes.

To do this, a **non-toxic, non-staining smoke** will be introduced into the sewer system. The smoke is not dangerous, but it may be visible coming from manholes, the ground, or even inside buildings with dry plumbing traps (like unused sinks, toilets, or floor drains).

What you can do to help:

To prevent smoke from entering your home or business:

- Pour water down any **infrequently used drains or toilets** (this fills the plumbing traps).
- Place a wet towel over floor drains you don't often use.

If smoke does enter your building:

- Open windows and doors to ventilate.
- If you're unsure it's from the testing, call the **Fire Department** or contact **City Hall** just to be safe.

We appreciate your cooperation! This testing helps us maintain a reliable sewer system and reduce the risk of backups and flooding.

Questions?

Contact City Clerk Dee Wagaman at 319-854-6428.

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		a Stand			STPA Tractor Pulls	Concert & Fireworks
	City Council Mtg 6PM City Hall		School Registration	Legion Auxiliary 6 PM @ Legion		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Gospel in the Gazebo	♦ ImpactLife Blood Drive 4-6:30 PM American Legion	Historical Society 6:30 PM SAHS	Library Board 6:30 PM @ Library	6:30 PM @ Legion Dinner Mtg. Parks Mtg 6 PM City Hall	Water Bill Due	
17	18	19	20 School Board 7:00PM @ Old Elementary	21 National Senior Citizens Day	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	First Day of School			National Red Wine Day		International Bacon Day
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ORIOLE NEWS



IN-PERSON/ONLINE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH

- PREK 12TH REGISTRATION 1:00PM TO 6:00PM
 IF YOUR STUDENT IS A PRESCHOOLER, INCOMING
 KINDERGARTNER OR NEW TO THE DISTRICT PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.
- Online registration for returning students will be available through PowerSchool.









Above are Springville 2026 seniors attending the American Legion Boys State at Camp Dodge, IA. The young men are: Jayden Meeker, Christian Anguiano, Wes Bender & Joe Heyer from the Springville Legion, A.J. Robertson, Cayden Mann, & Isaac Hill.

WHAT EXACTLY IS BOYS STATE?

The American Legion of Iowa Boys State is a week-long, hands—on experience in the operation of the democratic of government, the organization of political parties, and the relationship of one to the other in shaping Iowa government. Through the Boys State objective of learning by doing, delegates will learn about city, county, and state government more in one week than they would in a semester of high school civics. (Only Junior boys are chosen by the end of the spring semester. Boys are chosen from the entire state.)

Joe Heyer and Wes Bender went to visit during the week of June 22nd. The American Legion staff there treated us very well and we were even invited to have lunch with the fellas. The boys were never without a big smile of their faces. They returned and came to the Springville Legion Meeting on July 10th where they told stories of their escapades. Then each boy thank us for giving them this opportunity.

Wes Bender American Legion Post 331



Upcoming Events

St. Isidore Parish Festival Sunday, August 24, 2025 Springville, Iowa

Live Auction 1 pm

Silent Auction 11-12:45

Raffle Drawing 12:45 pm Cash prizes: 1st place \$500

2nd place \$250 3rd place \$100

Raffle tickets \$1.00

Maidrites, Coleslaw, Chips, Cookies, Lemonade or Bottled Water all for \$10.00

Kids 5 and under eat free! Serving 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Studio Dancers perform 11:30

Cornhole & Kid Games 11-12:30

Great Fun for All!

Thank you for Supporting St. Isidore!

For more Information visit: StlsidoreSpringville.org
Or follow us on Facebook: St. Isidore Catholic Church, Springville



St. Isidore Catholic Church

603 6th Street South Springville, lowa 52336 319-854-6141



Springville Economic Development Corporation (SEDC) now in its 20th year of serving you & our community is ready for the next 20 years! SEDC officers are: President, Dee Wagaman; Vice President, Tyson Jacobi; Secretary, Cortney Pearson; Treasurer, Lena Gilbert.

We are in the process of relaunching our core values with an exciting 20th Anniversary Cel-

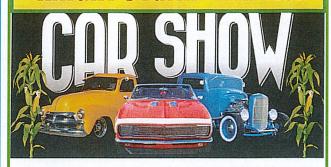
ebration for the Fall of 2025.

Contact any officer for more information. Stay tuned for more details.



BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

Corn Crib Cruise KNIGHT'S Farm~Whittier



<u>SUNDAY September 14, 2025</u> 10AM-3PM

At 3482 Whittier Rd. Springville (Whittier, Iowa ~ Knight's Field)
50/50 raffle donation for Kirkwood Autobody Student Scholarship in
memory of Larry Kelley.

Door Prizes, trophies, fun, music. More room for even more cars! Springville Fire Dept will be selling food to raise funds for fire department equipment.

Presented By:



The Whittier Market & Knight's Sweet Corn



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SPRINGVILLE Fun Days

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 - SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

Come to Springville Fun Days for a weekend of food, fun, and entertainment for the entire family! See event details at cityofspringville.us or www.springvilletractorpull.com/events

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

ECIPA TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL

6:30 pm, STPA Park, just W of Elem School, 162 JR Barnes Pkwy

Admission: Adult \$15, Age 6-12 \$5, 5 & under free Pit Passes: \$35 per person regardless of age

Main gate opens at 4 pm. Pit gate opens at 3 pm.

ECIPA Classes:

9,500 lb 4.1 Limited Pro Stock Tractors 6,200 lb Super Modified 2wd Trucks 9,500 lb Hot Farm Tractors 8,500 lb 466 Limited Pro Stock Tractors 9,300 lb Super Farm Tractors 6,500/6,250 lb Light Ltd Super Stock Tractors 8,000 lb 2.6 Pro Street Diesel Trucks 7,700 lb 360 Hot Stock Tractors 6,200 lb Super Stock 2wd Trucks

Exhibition Finale: Steam Engine Light Show

FREE Parking

Food and beverages available on-site. Bring your lawn chair or a blanket. **NO COOLERS**.

Contacts: Rick 319-350-4421

Jeff 319-721-4550 Mike 319-640-0241

STPA Animal Policy

For health and safety reasons, animals are not allowed on STPA grounds and at STPA Park, unless

they are ADA Service Animals. Thank you.

STPA's Gold Pull Sponsors

Linn Co-op Oil Company, Springville & Marion Marion Tire and Mt. Vernon Road Tire Wendling Quarry





STPA's facebook page: www.facebook.com/springvilletractorpullersassociation STPA's website: www.springvilletractorpull.com

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

7:30 - 10 am: Pancake Breakfast

Presbyterian Church, 165 Broadway Includes sausage & drink.

10 am: Parade

Line Up Starting at 9 am at Old Elementary School, 602 Mill Avenue

No registration needed. Parade will travel on Mill Ave east to Broadway, through downtown, west on 3rd Avenue, and south on 5th Street. Sponsored by the Springville Parks Board.

10:30 am - 1: Craft and Vendor Fair / Farmers Market

Upper Butler Park

Shop handmade crafts & brand name vendors. Accepting new vendors. Contact: Sarah Walker 319-210-9199

10:30 am: STPA Bags Tournament 1 pm: Kid's Bags Tournament

STPA Park, 162 JR Barnes PKWY*

8:30 am check-in/registration and practice.
7th annual STPA Bags Tournament with adult and kids divisions. Double elimination tournament. Best 2 of 3 games in winners bracket. Single elimination in losers bracket. 2 person teams with a max of 60 teams. Cash payout to adult division guaranteed: 1st \$350, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$250, 4th \$100. Trophies for top 4 in kid's division. \$50 award to best theme. Rules, entry fees, & registration form on SpringvilleTractorPull.com/events or contact Sarah: sarahholub@aol.com, 319-360-6573



10:30 am - 1 pm: The Game Zone – Fun for Kids of All Ages!

Upper Butler Park

\$10 wristband/person for 2.5 hours of unlimited fun at the Game Zone which includes carnival games, face painting, water games & much more! Food & beverages available on-site. Hosted by the Springville Parks Board.

Noon - 3 pm: Free Live Music by Shaun Ster

STPA Park, 162 JR Barnes PKWY*

6 - 11 pm: FREE Outdoor Concert STPA Presents Boot Jack

STPA Park, 162 JR Barnes PKWY*

Bring your lawn chair or blanket. At dusk the concert will break for fireworks. Concessions & beer tent on-site. No coolers please.

Fireworks at Dusk!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

6 pm: Gospel Concert in the Gazebo

Butler Park by Springville High School
Bring your blanket or lawn chair and enjoy live gospel
music. FREE admission

*Springville Tractor Pullers Association, Inc.(STPA) STPA Park Location: Just west of Springville Elementary School, 162 JR Barnes Parkway, Springville, IA 52336. FREE parking. Follow signs to park near the events.

STPA Park Animal Policy: For health and safety reasons, animals are not allowed on STPA grounds and at STPA Park, unless they are ADA Service Animals.

Event schedule subject to change as planning is just underway.

Schedule as of June 26, 2025

Craft & Vendor Fair

Calling All Crafters & Vendors!

Be part of the Springville Annual Fun Days Vendor Fair

Saturday, August 9
10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Springville, Iowa

We're looking for vendors of all kinds—handmade goods, crafts, home-based businesses, treats, and more!

Spaces are limited—reserve your spot today! Contact Sarah Walker at 319-210-9199 for more information or to sign up.

Come celebrate with us and share your creations with the community!





Our Orville Lunkers this month are: Grandma Sherri, Dakota 7, and Peyton 7 of Anamosa!

ORVILLE"S LUNKER



- Go fishing in Cox Lake.
- 2. Catch a fish
- Take a picture of you and your fish in front of the "Orville's Lunker" sign.
- Send the picture, your name, age and where you are from to: cityofsp@netins.net
- 5. Your picture will be put on the City of Springville Facebook page..
- Wait to see if you're a winner for a free ice cream at Sally's.

In the months of June, July, and August three winners will be drawn for free ice cream at Sally's!

Springville MS/HS Kickball Tournament

Hosted by: St. Isidore, Springville Methodist, Springville Presbyterian, and Faith Christian Fellowship Church

When: 12:00 noon Sunday, August 10, 2025

Where: Springville Softball Diamond

Who: Teams of 8-10 MS/HS Students

Cost: Donation of non-perishable items per player for SANSI



Food and water will be provided free of charge for all players.

Registration Deadline: Monday, August 4th, 2025
Forms can be picked up/dropped off at SCD office or Springville City Hall
A Participant Waiver must be completed by an adult for each participant.



Gospel In the Gazebo

Sunday August 10, 2025 Springville, Iowa 6:00

Butler Park, Next to Springville High School In case of rain meet at Springville Methodist church Bring a lawn chair and enjoy a variety of Gospel Music

Ruby Bongolon and family
Damascus Road
Hope Brown
Women of Whittier
Men of God Project, King of King's Lutheran Ch.
St. Paul's Anamosa Praise Team, and Youth
Local Church Groups: St Isidores Catholic,
Springville Methodist, Springville Presbyterian
Others

A STROLL THROUGH THE HIS

Paralta pioneer Sarah Corbly came to Iowa in 1839

"In the death of Mrs. Sarah Corbly of Paralta, on Saturday a.m., July 13 (1912) there was removed from the community one of the very first pioneers of Linn County. She came to this area in 1839 when it might have been described as a wilderness, and in the 73 years that she has lived here, she has seen the wilderness blossom, as the rose."

So begins the obituary for Sarah Allen Bennett Stiles Corbly, 92, who died at her home near Paralta. Born April 19, 1920, at Syracuse, N. Y., she married Rhode Island native **Benona Madison Bennett** when she was 16. In 1839 they moved from Monroe County, Mich., to Linn County Iowa with their first child. (The same year, the **Nathan Brown** family settled near the future site of Springville.)

Four more children were born to the Bennetts in Iowa. Benona (also spelled Benony) bought land in Section 4 of Linn Township Nov. 3, 1845. Less than two years later, he died April 22, 1847, at age 35. Sarah was left a widow at 27, with her children **Ezra**, **Henry**, **Mary**, **Charles** and **Jane Phoebe Bennett** all under age 10.

Sarah remarried in less than a year, on New Year's Day 1848. Her second husband, **Josephus Stiles**, left her a few years later and moved out of state. Nothing further is known about him. A microfilmed legal document at the Genealogical Society of Linn County notes that he took none of Sarah's property when he left. They had no children.

Sarah married her third husband July 11, 1855, when she was 35. **William Lynn Corbly** was a widower, 36, with six children by his first marriage. His first wife, **Elizabeth Ingraham Corbly**, had died Sept. 11, 1854, and was buried in the

Bennett and Corbly grandchildren

Sarah Corbly of Paralta, who died at 92 in 1912, had eight children and 37 grandchildren. Her son Ezra, who lived at Paralta, had five children. Henry Allen Bennett, who moved to Gallatin County, Mont., had nine, but two died as babies. Mary Buckner, mother of nine, lost two in infancy. Mary is buried in Riverside Cemetery, Anamosa.

Charles, who lived at Paralta, was the father of four children, but one died in childhood. Jane Phoebe was married twice, to Hiram Lane and Allen Johnston, and had six children. Buena Vista Baker was the mother of four. Two of Sarah's Corbly daughters had no children: Victoria died in childhood and Ade-

Paralta Cemetery. The Corbly children were **Andrew**, **Jacob**, **Phoebe**, **Frances**, **Virginia** and **Irene**. They were close in ages to Sarah's Bennett children.

William and Sarah became the parents of three daughters: Adelade Virginia "Addie," born in 1856; Victoria, 1859; and Buena Vista, 1861. Victoria appears in the 1860 census, but no further reference to her is found. She apparently died in early childhood, although her grave site is unknown. William Corbly died June 7, 1881, going on 62. Sarah lived another 31 years as a widow. During her last illness, she was tenderly cared for by one of her daughters.

Besides the obituary for Sarah, a feature article was published about six years before her death. It reported that one of her grandfathers was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Possibly it was her maternal grandfather, whose surname was believed to be Lyon.

When Sarah and her first husband, Benona Bennett, arrived in Linn County, their first home was a "rude hut" made of the materials available. She did not call it a log cabin, but it may have been. She also remembered the first wedding in the area, that of Edward Crow and Eliza Bennett (sister of Benona). Sarah and Benona were among the 10 guests present.

Another memory included in the obituary: Mrs. Corbly told of having "bolted or sifted her flour through her veil." Kitch-

SARAH CORBLY —To Page 9



Sarah Corbly's 1912 grave is beside that of her third husband, William Corbly, in the Paralta Cemetery south of Springville. The cemetery's front fence is only inches from their grave markers.

TORY OF SPRINGVILLE, IOWA



Sarah Allen Bennett Stiles Corbly (1820-1912) came to Paralta, Iowa, in 1839 and spent the remaining 73 years of her life there. Date of photo is unknown.

SARAH CORBLY —From Page 8

en utensils were probably in short supply then! The first funeral she attended near Paralta (name of deceased not given) featured a coffin made of a wild cherry tree, split into puncheons (boards), and stained with grape juice.

By Karen Taylor, with thanks to Bill Herren

Possibly a cousin of Sarah?

Sarah Allen (later Bennett, Stiles and Corbly), who lived at Paralta almost 73 years, was a native of Syracuse, N. Y. Her family claimed kinship to the Revolutionary War patriot and soldier, Ethan Allen. He was born in 1838 in Litchfield, Conn. With Benedict Arnold, (before Arnold's defection), Allen captured Fort Ticonderoga from the British in May 1775.

Arnold was commander of the Green Mountain Boys, a militia from what is now Vermont. In late 1775, Arnold went on an expedition to Canada and was captured by the British, being held until 1778. Among the several books he wrote was "A Narrative of Col. Ethan Allen's Captivity."

Benona Bennett's 1847 property list

On April 22, 1847, Benona Bennett died on his 80-acre farm near Paralta. He was 35 and left a wife and five children, the oldest one 9. The handwritten "appraisement bill" from his probate record still exists on microfilm at the Genealogical Society of Linn County. With original spelling, it includes:

3 bee hives, \$7.50

1 sythe and cradle, \$2.00

1 two-horse plow, \$5.00

1 yoake of 3-year-old steers, \$12.00

2 steers 1 year old, \$8.00

33 head small shoats (pigs), \$11.00

1 rifle gun, \$6.00

2 acres oats standing in the field, \$3.00

2 acres fall wheat standing in the field, \$2.00

4 acres spring wheat standing in the field, \$4.00

10 head of hogs first choise, \$20.00

5 head of hogs second choise, \$7.50

5 head of hogs third choise, \$6.25

4 head of hogs fourth choise, \$4.00

The 80-acre farm was appraised at \$225. Everything was sold except the land, the beehives, and 21 of the shoats, bringing a total of \$111.54.





NEW MATERIALS

ADULT FICTION

Angels Flight by Michael Connelly

Breaking the Dark by Lisa Jewell

By Evening's Light by Leslie Gould

Dogged Pursuit (on CD) by David Rosenfelt

Do Not Disturb by Freida McFadden

Exiles by Jane Harper

I'll Be Right Here by Amy Bloom

It Happened on the Lake by Lisa Jackson

A Mother's Love by Danielle Steel

The President's Shadow by James Patterson

She Didn't See It Coming by Shari Lapena

Typewriter Beach by Meg Waite Clayton

Where the Lost Wander by Amy Harmon

EASY FICTION

Pete the Cat's Mars Mission by James Dean

JUVENILE FICTION

Snoop by Gordon Korman

REGULAR MONTHLY PROGRAMS

KNITTERS Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. Aug 5, 12, 19, 26. **STORY TIME** Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Aug 7, 14, 21, 28.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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WEBPAGE: https://www.springville.lib.ia.us

ONLINE CATALOG: https://springville.biblionix.com/catalog/

! SALSA!

School age kids-come for a late summer program
Aug 20 @ 2:00.
We're making SALSA!!

~LIBRARY BOARD~

There are two openings on the Board of Trustees for the library

City Board Member (finish term ending June of 2027)
Rural Board Member (full term)

Paperwork may be picked up at the library, and must be turned in by August 8, 2025.

"The change always comes about mid-August, and it always catches me by surprise. I mean the day when I know that summer is fraying at the edges, that September isn't far off and fall is just over the hill or up the valley."



"Keep your face to the sunshine and you will never see the shadows."

~Helen Keller

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Our children's summer reading program, "Level Up at Your Library", will conclude with a party on August 6. The party will begin at 2:00. We'll hear a story, play games, eat treats and draw for prizes. The party will celebrate the summer reading achievements of all our participating kiddos. Please join us!!



SENIOR MEAL

On August 20 SANSI and the Springville Memorial Library will

host the monthly Senior Meal and Activity. Pizza will be served for lunch at 11:00 a.m. Please sign up by August 15th. Call the library at 319-854-6664 or SANSI 319-854-6100 to reserve a spot.

CORNERSTONE/RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

It is July 2005; the punch lists have taken place. The Library Board has placed an order for the new furnishings. The brass tree for the donor leaves has been ordered. The cornerstone is being created. We are almost at the end of the process of having a beautiful new library.

The Masonic Lodge AF & AM approached the library board about having a dedication ceremony for the cornerstone. Thanks to John Larison, Lewis Lentz Sr., Terry Soukup, Paul Nielsen, and Norm Nielsen who contacted the Grand Lodge of Iowa to get the process started. On August 6, 2005, the Grand Lodge of Iowa was called to order at the Masonic Lodge Hall and at 1:00 the Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery led the procession down Broadway to the library. The Grand Master of the Masons of Iowa conducted the impressive dedication ceremony.



Left: Grand Marshall leads the procession to the library.

Below: Grand Marshall and other Grand Lodge Officers conducted the Comerstone ceremony.



Remarks were made by Mayor Bill Cooper and Library Board President, Treva Davis, followed by the ribbon cutting around the pillars of the entryway. The City Council members Robin Ballantyne, Jeff Grimley, Rick Heeren, Deb Vaughn, Al Woods, and Mayor Cooper along with the Library Board Treva Davis, Marla Carnahan, Peg Ewart, Beth Hiner and John Keizer did the honor.



Mayor Bill Cooper welcomed everyone.



Library Board president Treva Davis addressed the crowd.



R to L: Treva Davis, Marla Carnahan, Beth Hiner, Bill Cooper, Peg Ewart, Board and council members were in all the opening to cute the ribbon.



Before



Time Capsule

After

A Time Capsule was placed behind the cornerstone with a letter from the library board and other items of significance to the building and process. The attendees were then invited into the library to get a look at their new facility and to enjoy refreshments. There were lots of oohs and aahs as they saw the library for the first time.

By Treva Davis

SAVE THE DATE

On September 20th starting at 12:00 PM we will have a celebration of 20 years in this building and 80 years as a library. There will be a food truck, entertainment by Harold Gray, and cake and punch. It should truly be a momentous day to celebrate our wonderful library.

DON'T FORGET

We also have commemorative mugs for sale for \$7.00, get yours NOW.



A New Era at Cox Lake Park

Springville's New Playground System is Here!



This summer, the City of Springville was presented with a rare and exciting opportunity—a brand new playground system, originally ordered for another community, became available at an incredible discount. Due to a color mix-up, the equipment was rejected and Springville had the chance to purchase it for half price, with free freight, professional installation, and ground cover included—for just \$155,000.

For anyone who has looked into the cost of modern playground systems, you know what a remarkable deal this was. The Parks Board had long envisioned replacing the aging wooden structure at Cox Lake Park, but it simply hadn't been financially feasible. When this opportunity arose, the Parks Board strongly supported the idea—and the City Council carefully reviewed the financials and budget to make it a reality.

Ultimately, the Council voted to use Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) funds to cover the project. These voter-approved funds are designated for improvements to Springville's streets, water and sewer infrastructure, and parks. While LOST dollars have traditionally gone toward infrastructure needs, the Council felt this visible and meaningful project was a perfect way for residents to see how these funds can directly benefit the community.

Within weeks of the green light, installation was underway—and now, the new playground is open and packed with kids every day. Not only is the system modern and fun, it's also much safer and more accessible than the old structure.

If you see one of your City Council members or Parks Board volunteers around town, be sure to thank them for helping bring this project to life. Their dedication and collaboration made this happen.

As we approach election season, it's also a great time to get to know your current City Council. Their thoughtful decisions—like this one—shape the Springville we all enjoy.



City Council members: Mayor Lyle Andersen, Mayor Pro tem Bart Barner, Jeff Baych, Cindy Kilburg, and Karla Blakely, and Ticon South

Park Board members: Teresa Pilipovic (Chair), John Lemon, Janet Evans, Steven Pingel, and Blayne Willadsen.

Thank you all for your service to our community and parks!



SEDC hosted their first Music in the Park! Starring Kevin Moore, with free ice cream, bounce houses and a food truck. It was a beautiful evening in the park!













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FUN FACT: Springville's first playground was purchased in 1966 for a total of \$601.75. It appears that this memo of shipment is just for the playground cost. Jake Hiner came across this memo in his historical documents so I thought it would be fun to share.







The Springville City Council met in regular session on July 7, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Cindy Kilburg, Bart Barner, Jeff Baych, and Karla Blakely. One seat vacant. City staff present: City Clerk Dee Wagaman. Steve Kalmes, Dave Gloeckner, Larry Riley, Shelli Brady, Mike Brady, Steven Pingle, Treva Davis, Rick Kraft, Joe Heyer, Lori Wittenburg, Matt Pivit (Republic Services), and Jim Hopkins and Suzanne Carter (ABC Disposal) were also all in attendance.

Baych made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Kilburg. All ayes. Motion carried.

Baych made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items the June 26, 2025, minutes, claims, American Legion's Class C Liquor License with Outdoor service and Sunday sales, STPA Liquor License, and Springville Station's Tobacco permit, seconded by Barner. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following reports were presented: Sheriff's Report, MSA (Engineer) Report, Library minutes, Clerk Report. Councilperson Baych commented that he thought that the residents were very respectful this year with the fireworks.

Mayor Andersen invited citizens with input to speak. Steven Pingle thanked the council on behalf of the Park Board on their quick action on the purchase and installation of the playground for Cox Lake Park. Steve Kalmes informed council that his trailer that was parked out on the street was tagged by the Linn County Sheriff. He called and spoke to Sheriff Gardner and was informed that his department was told that his trailer had been there for several weeks without being moved. He is frustrated because he feels like he knows who is behind the reporting. The city verified it had not been reported in the office. Joe Heyer spoke on behalf of the American Legion. He is requesting that the city paint the city parking lot that is outside the Legion. As people outside of our community come into town, the parking gets chaotic since they don't all park angled or straight. Baych volunteered to do the painting if the city was ok with the lot being painted. Everyone agreed. There being no further public comments, Mayor Andersen moved to busi-

The council discussed the 100' right of way behind the softball diamond. Baych and Barner feel like the city should keep the property and continue to maintain it. Kilburg and Blakely don't think selling the entire property is the right answer either. Baych would like to think about it a little longer. The residents that own adjoining property spoke once again about their desire to continue using the property as they have. They want to continue mowing the property. They feel like being able to park their trailers back there help to keep the narrow street opened up. Riley asked about leasing the land. He knew that the council was considering that as an option for councilperson Baych. Gloeckner brought up that the city does not have the equipment to mow that area. The trees are already damaged. Mayor and the residents had a discussion and Gloeckner discussed at that time the damage that would be done with the city equipment. The council would like to discuss some different options and see what alternatives that they can come up with.

Kraft addressed the council and expressed his concern with the safety issue about the downtown business block. He is concerned with the number of people that cross the street at any location and with no warning. He has asked the council to think about some

ways to help with safety. The council agrees that most Springville residents know enough to be extra cautious but there is some concern about the traffic that comes from outside of town. The council will look at some signage and/or crosswalks.

The council discussed garbage haulers. Baych made a motion to move forward with Republic Services for the solid waste hauler for Springville, seconded by Barner. All ayes. One vacant seat. Motion carried.

Blakely made a motion to approve Resolution 27-2025 to approve the FY26 library employee wages as presented by the library board, seconded by Baych. RCV: AYES: Blakely, Baych, Barner. ABSTAINED: Kilburg. VACANT: One. RESOLUTION 27-2025 adopted.

The council discussed the city wages for the public workers and the clerks. They settled on a 3 ½% increase. Barner made a motion to approve Resolution 28-2025 to give a 3 ½% increase to the public works and clerks, seconded by Baych. AYES: Kilburg, Barner, Blakely, Baych. VACANT: One. **RESOLUTION 28-2025 adopted**.

The council discussed the wages for the seasonal mowing position. Baych made a motion to approve Resolution 29-2025 with a 4% increase, seconded by Barner. RCV: AYES: Baych, Barner, Kilburg. ABSTAINED: Blakely. VACANT: One. **RESOLUTION 29-2025 adopted**.

Kilburg made a motion to approve Resolution 30-2025 to approve a professional services agreement with MSA for FY26, seconded by Barner. AYES: Barner, Baych, Kilburg, Blakely. NAYS: Vacant Seat. **RESOLUTION 30-2025 adopted.**

The State of Iowa passed a law this last legislative session that no longer allows cities to limit the use of consumer or display fireworks on July 3, July 4 and December 31. The council needs to get the city code of ordinances to match what was adopted in Senate File 303. Blakely made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 3-2025, seconded by Baych. RCV: AYES: Blakely, Kilburg, Baych, Barner. VACANT: One. First reading of ORDINANCE 3-2025 approved. Baych made a motion to waive the second and third reading of ORDINANCE 3-2025, seconded by Blakely. RCV: AYES: Baych, Blakely, Barner, Kilburg. VACANT: One. Second and third reading of ORDINANCE 3-2025 waived. Blakely made a motion to adopt Ordinance 3-2025, seconded by Barner. RCV: AYES: Kilburg, Barner, Blakely, Baych. VACANT: One. ORDINANCE 3-2025 adopted.

The council discussed the four applications received for the vacant seat. Barner explained that no matter who was selected, anyone wanting to continue serving would have to go through the process to get on the ballot. The appointee will only hold the seat until the 2025 election results are certified. Baych made a motion to appoint Treva Davis to fill the vacant seat, seconded by Blakely. RCV: AYES: Barner, Kilburg, Blakely, Baych. VACANT: One. **RESOLUTION 31-2025 adopted.**

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, July 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There being no further discussion, Blakely moved to adjourn at 7:14 p.m., seconded by Kilburg. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Council Regular Meeting

July 21, 2025

The Springville City Council met in regular session on July 21, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council

members present: Karla Blakely, Cindy Kilburg, Jeff Baych, and Treva Davis. Bart Barner was absent. City staff present: Public Works Todd Wyman and City Clerk Dee Wagaman. Steve Kalmes, Jim Koppenhaver, Matt Pivit (Republic Services), and Karen Kurt and Jessica Walker (ECICOG) were also in attendance.

Baych made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Blakely. All ayes. Motion carried.

Kilburg made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items; July 7, 2025, minutes and claims, seconded by Baych. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following reports were presented: Sheriff's Report, Maintenance Report, Treasurer's Reports (April, May & June), and Clerk Report. Councilperson Baych updated the council on the progress of the dug outs. There will be a final meeting for the construction committee. He also mentioned that the playground has gotten a lot of good feedback from the community. The mayor also mentioned that the playground was a definite good purchase for the community.

Mayor Andersen invited citizens with input to speak. Steve Kalmes informed the council that the neighbors have been finding nails and screws in the 100' ROW behind their homes and close to the softball diamond area. He brought in a jar to show the council what he had found. He stated that he will be getting a camera to keep his property safe. Baych said that this type of vandalism has been going on for quite a while along with dog poop being smeared on the softball fence. Kalmes also wanted to talk to the council about the new sidewalk on 8th St. He feels that the intersection of Mill Ave and 8th St. would be a great spot for a three-way stop. The mayor said that they will be discussing this when the project is complete. There being no further public comments, Mayor Andersen moved to business.

Treva Davis read the Oath of Office.

The council discussed that Wapsi Waste would like to fulfill the current contract. Dave Stone of Wapsi Waste stated that it was miscommunication that he was ready to retire by winter. The council felt that they had been dealing with the possibility of switching and when they were given verbal notice they started the search for a new solid waste hauler. Blakely made a motion to approve Resolution 36-2025 to submit a 90-day notice of intent to terminate the contract with Wapsi Waste as stated in the current contract under section 12(B), seconded by Baych. RCV: AYES: Baych, Davis, Blakely, Kilburg. ABSENT: Barner. **RESOLUTION 36-2025 adopted.**

Blakely made a motion to approve Resolution 32-2025 to enter into a contract with Republic Services effective November 2025, seconded by Kilburg. RCV: AYES: Baych, Kilburg, Blakely. NAYS: Davis. ABSENT: Barner. **RESOLUTION 32-2025 adopted.**

Karen Kurt with ECICOG talked with the council to explain the process that they will be following to help them with the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). She handed each council member some homework. Wagaman will get the same handout to all of the boards for their input. These are due back in 3 weeks.

The council discussed the ICAP insurance invoice from Brown Township. Last year they voted to pay the bill excluding the public officials' wrongful acts line item. This year cyber insurance is on the bill. The city already has cyber insurance for any cyber attacks that might happen with the city. The council felt that these two items were double coverage but agreed that they need to pay for the equipment and vehicle coverage. Baych made a motion to pay the ICAP invoice as presented, seconded by Davis. All nays. Barner absent. Motion failed. The clerk instructed to pay half the invoice less the cyber and public officials wrongful acts.

Baych made a motion to approve Resolution 34-2025 to close the streets for the annual Fun Days Parade, seconded by Blakely. RCV: AYES: Baych, Kilburg, Blakely, Davis. ABSENT: Barner. **RESOLUTION 34-2025 adopted.**

Kilburg made a motion to approve Resolution 35-2025 to close the yard waste site from August 4 through August 11 to make room for the tractor pull on Friday night, seconded by Blakely. RCV: AYES: Davis, Kilburg, Baych, Blakely. ABSENT: Barner. **RESOLUTION** 35-2025 adopted.

Blakely made a motion to approve Resolution 33-2025 to approve the change order for Emmons Park due to the increased concrete cost, seconded by Davis. RCV: AYES: Kilburg, Baych, Davis, Blakely. ABSENT: Barner. **RESOLUTION 33-2025 adopted.**

The council did not have information on the 8th Street sidewalk repair so this item will be brought back at the next meeting.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, August 4, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (meeting at Springville Memorial Library) Service Times

Sunday 9:30

Pastor Joseph Bielema

Phone 563-235-7519

Email: pastorjoe.fcf@gmail.com

Secretary: Judy Cummings Email: judynross@yahoo.com

ST. ISIDORE the FARMER CATHOLIC CHURCH Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm

Daily Masses: Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 5:30 pm or by appointment

Religious Education Wednesday: K-8 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm,

HS 6:15 pm -7:30 pm

Reverend Andrew Awotwe-Mensah

Deacon Mark Sandersfeld

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Cindy Kellerman

P 319-854-6141 FAX 319-854-7161

Email: dbq190sec@dbqarch.org

Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

SPRINGVILLE METHODIST CHURCH Service Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.; Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School 10:00-11:00 am.

Reverend Guillermo Bongolan

Phone: 319-854-7355

Email: springvillemethodist@gmail.com

Office Hours: Monday & Thursday 8:30 am—1 pm

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 am-11:00 am

SPRINGVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Service Times

Sunday 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. (3 years old-adult)

Reverend David Snyder

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To be eligible:

- •You must be a resident of Springville, a citizen of the United States, and at least 18 years old.
- •You must file an Affidavit of Candidacy and collect 10 signatures on Nomination Petitions to be placed on the ballot.
- •You must file your paperwork with the Linn County Auditor's Office during the filing period that begins on Monday, August 25, 2025, and ends at 5 p.m. on Thursday, September 18, 2025.

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