

SPRINGVILLE NEWS

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The two incumbents, Mareta Ralston and Brad Merritt were re-elected during the recent election. Dennis Thies was elected to fill the third vacancy. Congratulations to all of our newly elected councilpersons!!



State of the Community

The city has been busy getting everything ready for the winter season. Our maintenance department had to get an early start with the snowfall that hit us late last month. They did a GREAT job getting things cleaned up. It takes the community working together to make their job a little easier in getting the streets cleaned. Most residents got their vehicles moved off the streets and the sidewalks were promptly shoveled and cleaned off. Great job everybody!

Our clerks' office is busy getting the budget ready for the new year and continuing to get our new meters running smoothly.

I would like to congratulate the Springville High School sports teams, they had a terrific fall season. It was an honor watching your seasons. The community is very proud of your accomplishments and more importantly how you represent your community! Good Job!!

The council will be saying good-bye to councilman, Mike Brady. Thank you for your service Mike! I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Dennis Thies, Mareta Ralston and Brad Merritt on being elected to the Council. They will begin their terms in January.

I hope everyone can make it up to our Christmas tree lighting in Upper Butler Park on December 5th. There will be caroling and a live nativity scene. What a great way to start the holiday season. I want to wish everyone a fun and safe holiday season.

~Mayor Roger Shebetka

When the snow starts to fall let's work together



When a SNOW EMERGENCY has been declared, what is your responsibility? While the snow emergency is in affect please do NOT park your vehicles along ANY street. This allows time for the Public Works Department to get the streets cleared of snow.

Code Section 69.12 Snow Removal: No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area during snow removal operations unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall.

It is also the responsibility of the adjacent property owner to remove ice, snow and accumulations promptly from sidewalks.

Code Section 136.03 Removal of snow, ice, and accumulations: It shall be the responsibility of the abutting property owner to remove ice, snow and accumulations promptly from sidewalks. If a property owner does not remove snow, ice or accumulations within a reasonable time, the city may do so and assess the costs against the property owner for collection.

We have a lot of walkers in our community and if we all work together this winter season we can keep our city streets and sidewalks clean and safe for all of our community members!

Thanks for your cooperation!



The City Wants a New Logo



The Council is asking for your help in creating a new logo for our town. We are asking for all submissions to be returned to the City Clerks' office by January 15, 2016. You can email us at cityofsp@netins.net, or drop it off at the Clerk's office.

City of Springville Mayor

Roger Shebetka.....854-7771

City Council

Mareta Ralston.....854-6438

Mike Brady.....854-7443

Patrick Hoyt Sr.....854-6269

Penny Sindelar.....854-7723

Brad Merritt.....854-6996

City Hall – 854-6428

City Clerk – Kim Donaldson

Dep. Clerk- Dee Wagaman

Maintenance Department

Todd Wyman-Supervisor....521-2591

Brandon French.....521-2590

Council Meetings

1st & 3rd Mondays

6 pm at City Hall

Library Board of Trustees

Treva Davis- President

Tina Allsup- Secretary

James Porter, Daryl McCall,

Marla Carnahan,

Angel Chizek, Deb Vaughn

SANSI

Janet Lentz –Coordinator

854-6100

Parks Board

John Keizer, Chairperson

David Gloeckner,

Teresa Pilipovic, Colleen Vogel

Board of Adjustment

Mike Hanshaw, Kurt Gillette,

Iris Trampe, Robin Ballantyne,

Nick Besler

Planning & Zoning Commission

James Koppenhaver,

Nick Besler, Doug Fowler,

Daryl Pearson

Fire Department

Chief PJ Hoyt.....854-7554

Asst. Chief Kevin Hulett

Cemetery Committee

Dixie Brady, Lyle Andersen,

James Koppenhaver

Historical Society

Bev Franks - President

James Crow-V.President

Jeanie Schmidt-

Secretary/Treasurer

Karen Taylor-Historian

Brown township Trustees

Kevin Hulett –Chairman

Tom Donaldson, Steve Lam



Sponsor a Banner



The City is looking for citizens, businesses or organizations to sponsor a banner for our light poles on Broadway Street. The cost to sponsor a banner is \$100. You can proudly display or name or have a generic banner if you chose. If you would like more information on becoming a sponsor, please contact the city clerk's office at 319-854-6428.



Do You Remember When...

Historical Article

Historic house served many purposes

For 144 years, a little frame house has stood at Fifth Street and Liberty Avenue in Springville. An account of its first 57 years appears in the Springville New Era of Nov. 1, 1928, headlined “Old Landmark Changes Hands.” The writer is not named. Joseph Glenn Crew, 30, was owner-editor of the New Era then. He later owned a hotel and café on the site of today’s Legion Hall.

The house on Liberty was built in 1871 as a school annex. The two-story brick school on High Street had become overcrowded soon after it was built in 1865. Classes were held in the annex until 1882, when a new school was completed on the site now occupied by the present high school-middle school building.

The 1871 house then became a place of worship. It was bought Jan. 12, 1884, by Albert Hambleton, John F. Gritman, and Dr. Barclay S. Watson, trustees of the Preparative Meeting of Friends (Quakers). The article states that “the (Friends) Society did not prosper, and only a few years later, the meeting disbanded.”

The next owner (1893) was Hannah Bedell Gritman, John’s wife. She allowed a youth club, the Young People’s Endeavor, to use the building. This group bought an organ and formed a vocal “quartette” – George Gritman, Ole Martin, and half brothers Ray and Guy Bishop. George was an Orphan Train boy raised by Samuel Gritman (John’s son) and his wife Sarah.

In a few years, Mrs. Gritman sold the building to Fannie Abbott, a widow in her 60s “who remodeled it into a dwelling” for herself, her divorced daughter, and two grandchildren. The daughter, Ettie Sigwalt, “took boarders” (served meals to persons who lived elsewhere). Her “stars” included Sam Raff, William Briner (father of Howard), and Fred Gregg. Raff and Briner were bachelors then; Gregg’s wife had died in August 1899 after her clothing caught fire.

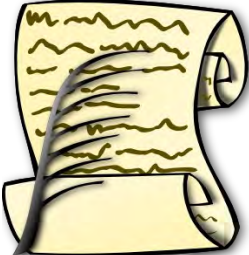
In 1904, the house was bought by Ora and Mae Gibson Chenowith, who sold it to Mae’s brother, Frank E. Gibson (Paul Nielsen’s grandfather). In 1909, Frank sold it to James K. Gibson, a Civil War veteran. (The relationship of Mae and Frank to James isn’t known.) James died in July 1928. His widow, Albertine Storrs Gibson, sold it that October to John H. Palmer, a native of England who had come to the U. S. in 1881 at age 18. (His second wife was Cora.) And there the 1928 account ends.

Postscript: The 1871 date for the house is found on Page 51 of the Springville Centennial History. kt

Historic Brief

Very generous wedding gift in 1919

Mrs. Mary Jane Smith of Cedar Rapids, a 1938 Springville High School graduate, grew up in a house that still stands west of town, on the corner of Burr Oaks Road and Stone Road. On Aug. 16, 1919, the brand new house and four farm buildings – barn, corn crib, hog house, and hen house – were a wedding present to her parents, Herbert and Winifred Lacy Kohl. Total cost of all five, Mrs. Smith said, was \$45,000! The gift was from her father’s parents, William G. and Mary Etta Newman Kohl of Jones County.



For Sale

City Hall still has several of the Q-C history quilts available for purchase. We have reduced the price to \$18.00/quilt. They would make excellent Christmas Presents. Stop by to get yours today!!



SPRINGVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (SAHS)

Meeting to Include Holiday Social

The next meeting of the Springville Area Historical Society (SAHS) is scheduled Tuesday Dec. 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the SAHS building, next door to City Hall. A brief business meeting will precede a holiday social to which all members and others who like local history are invited.

There were 15 at the Nov. 10 meeting, including guest speaker Alexah Rogge. She is a field representative for Iowa First District Congressman Rod Blum. Ms. Rogge talked about services that Representative Blum’s office can offer to constituents, including veterans. A good question and answer discussion followed.

President Bev Franks displayed five silver-colored, round metal tokens that were donated to SAHS by the Exchange State Bank. The words “F. S. Jordan, Springville, Ia,” are stamped on one side, and “Good for 2 ½ c in trade” on the reverse. The tokens were found in rolls of coins turned in at the bank.

Frank S. Jordan was a 1904 graduate of Springville High School. He owned the Jordan House hotel on Broadway in the late 1930s and early ’40s, with a pool hall on ground floor and poker games upstairs. A World War I veteran, Jordan was admitted in 1944 to the Knoxville Veterans Hospital, where he died in June 1947. His second wife, Vida Upton Jordan, ran a drug-store/ tavern on the west side of Main Street until her death in February 1962.

Bev announced another gift to SAHS, a 38-page booklet published about 1972 for new residents by the Junior Women’s Club of Springville. Donated by Dayle McCleary of Springville, the mimeographed booklet (in purple ink) has details about local businesses of more than four decades ago.

Kimball Behning, head of the SAHS bylaws revision committee, distributed copies of the revised bylaws, which were approved by a unanimous vote of members. The last revision was made in 2012.

Historian Karen Taylor reviewed Ernie Buresh’s 2015 autobiography, “The Advantage of Being Born Poor.” Buresh, 89, owned the Exchange State Bank in Springville from 1971 to 2009. He was the first owner in 93 years not related to Joseph S. Butler, who founded the bank in 1878. The Springville Memorial Library’s Buresh Room is named for Ernie and his wife Joanne, residents of Cedar Rapids.

Others attending the Nov. 10 meeting were Jean Schmidt, secretary-treasurer; Doug Beard, Wes Bender, Rick Heeren, Dave and Eleanor Kelley, Paul Nielsen, Phil Randall, Pat Rose, Duane Schlatter, and Joan White.

NOTES FROM THE LIBRARY BOARD



The Springville Memorial Library is very fortunate in having a great group of volunteers to help with the day to day tasks of running a library. Since July seven volunteers have logged 124 hours, and probably more as some forget to write down their hours. These valued volunteers shelve books and DVDs, process new book, manage the circulation desk, straighten the shelves to keep things in order, cut out projects for our many activities, help with the seasonal decorating and help with programming.

We have a very special volunteer elf, Leah Kearney, who basically does all the activities for our children programming. She has a special project every week for Summer Reading, she leads the Crafternoon once a month for adults, and the list goes on and on. Whenever we need her she is there with her bag full of projects ready to get the kids and adults involved. She is a valuable asset to the library.

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who come in every week to help at the library, you make it possible for Linda and Melanie to do the things that keep the library running smoothly. If you have some time that you would like to donate to the library, give Linda a call and find out what you can do to help the library. Again THANK YOU to everyone who give of their time to help the library.

Love our Library



Springville Memorial Library has partnered with Junior Library Guild in a "Love Our Library!" fundraising campaign! You can donate money that we use to buy new children's books from the Junior Library Guild. If you're interested in helping go to: <http://donations.juniorlibraryguild.com/j125185.html>

Coffee Club

Don't forget about the library coffee club! There are two different ways to enjoy coffee at the library, with a card you have punched with every purchase to get your tenth cup free, or a "prepaid" that you purchase in advance for 9 cups, with the tenth one free. A perfect gift for any coffee lover!



Tree Walk



Our Fourth Annual Tree Walk starts November 28th at the library, with trees on display from many area businesses, organizations and individuals. The walk will be accessible during our normal business hours.

Bridge to Reading 2016 Picture Book Award Nominees

Be part of the fun and put in your vote for your favorite book . The library has purchased four of the nominees. Come into the library, sit by the fireplace and read the books and put in your vote for your favorite one. It will not be easy! The Bridge to Reading Picture Book Award is sponsored by the Youth Services Subdivision of the Iowa Library Association.



Library New Reads

New Fiction

Lies That Bind by Maggie Barbieri
Slade House by David Michael
Tricky Twenty-Two by Janet Evanovich
Endangered by C.J.Box
The Lake House by Kate Morton
Lila by Marilyn Robinson
Make Me by Lee Child
The Murder House by James Patterson
See Me by Nicholas Sparks
The Grownup by Gillian Flynn
Cross Justice by James Patterson
Depraved Heart by Patricia Cornwell
All Dressed in White by Mary Higgins Clark
The Bazaar of Bad Dreams by Stephen King

Non-Fiction

Destiny and Power by Jon Meacham
The Witches by Stacy Schiff
I Am Nujood, Age 10 and Divorced by Ali Nujood

Young Adult & Childrens

The End by Charlie Higson
The Fear by Charlie Higson
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Old School by Jeff Kinney
Heart to Heart with Mallory by Laurie B. Friedman
Mallory McDonald , Baby Expert by Laurie B. Friedman
Kingdom Keepers II by Ridley Pearson
I Really Like Slop by Mo Willems
I Love My New Toy by Mo Willems
Dork Diaries: Tales from a NOT-SO-Perfect
Pet Sitter by Rachel Renee Russell

Calendar of Events

December 2- LEGO after school program at 2:30
December 3-Story Time at 10:30, Knitters at 1:00
December 6-Sunday Crafternoon (Adults only activity)
December 9-Holiday ornaments after school craft at 2:30, Library Board Meeting at 6:30
December 10-Story Time at 10:30, Knitters at 1:00
December 16-LEGO after school program at 2:30
December 17-Story Time at 10:30, Knitters at 1:00
December 23-Christmas Fun after school program at 2:30
December 24-Library Closed for Christmas Eve
December 25-Library Closed for Christmas Day
December 26-Tree Walk Ends, Tree take down begins
December 30-LEGO after school program, 2:30
December 31-Library Closed
January 1-Library Closed for New Year



Happy Holidays from your Librarians!
~Linda Eldred & Melanie Vaughn



School News...



November 14th marked the halfway point in School Cents.

We remain in 1st place! We won a mid-way bonus of \$1,675!



Thanks to everyone who has supported the school in this promotion so far. Don't stop now! Please continue to choose Lindale and surrounding businesses, when you have the opportunity, to earn points that equal cash for our school!! If you have questions call Joe Martin 854-6196 ext. 1005 or Rachel Scriver ext. 1020. Each dollar spent at all Lindale Mall stores and outside properties is worth ten points. Food court purchases earn 100 points for each dollar spent.

Outside participating businesses include:

Arby's, **Burger King**, Cheddar's casual cafe, Chick-Fil-A, CHIPOTLE, Hurricane Grill, FIRESTONE, Collins Road Hy-Vee, JoAnn Fabrics, Pizza Hut, **Planet X**, Red Lobster, VILLAGE INN

TRIPLE POINTS WEEKENDS- Nov 26th – 29th & Dec 18th – 20TH

THANK YOU!!

WITH YOUR SUPPORT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE MANY THINGS FOR OUR STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND COMMUNITY THROUGH SCHOOL CENTS AND HY-VEE CASH 4 STUDENTS. HERE IS WHAT WE HAVE DONE SO FAR...



Technology

Provided classrooms at both buildings with document cameras (Ladibugs), new projectors and Apple TVs.

Fine Arts

It helped replace the old curtains in the renovated Auditorium.



Athletics

It helped put bleachers in the practice gym for activities and other events in there.

Youth

It helped provide a playground for pre-school and other younger students at the elementary.



PLEASE CONTINUE TO TURN IN RECEIPTS TO EITHER SCHOOL OFFICE, THE LIBRARY OR CITY HALL
AND, AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF
SPRINGVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE AN ORIOLE!!

Midway standings

Total Points to date

1 st Place - Springville	4413
2 nd place - Alburnett	3166
3 rd place - Central City	1768
4 th place - Cedar Valley Christian	1339
5 th place - North Linn	954
6 th place - Edgewood Colesburg	661
7 th place - Marion	607
8 th place - East Buchanan	598
9 th place - CR Washington	516
10 th place - Metro	375
11 th place - Center Point-Urbana	277
12 th place - Anamosa	229
13 th place - Xavier	229
14 th place - CR Kennedy	163
15 th place- North Cedar	40

CAST

(Community and School Together)

CAST is an amazing group of parents that help fundraise for classroom needs in the elementary. They also pay for ALL of the fieldtrips that the kids get to go on. Without this group, our kids would no longer be able to leave the classroom and go on fieldtrips. One of the ways they raise money is by collecting Box Tops. They earn 10 cents for every box top turned in. It is so easy since you are buying the product anyway. You can turn in your box tops to the school, city hall or the phone company. They also support the teachers by making food for conference nights and they help get volunteers into the classrooms. This year they are doing something new! They are doing the UNFund(raiser). Please see the adjacent article. If you would like to donate to the UnFund(raiser), it is not too late.

UNFUND(RAISER)



In place of traditional fundraisers for Community and School Together (C.A.S.T.), we realize that some parents would rather make a monetary donation than to take time to sell products to your family and friends, so here is your chance!

The UNFund(raiser) will allow us to put 100% of the proceeds directly back into Springville Elementary classrooms and staff appreciation.

The CAST organization has supported the Springville Schools and ensured that the needs of the students, teachers, and community have been met. Throughout the year, we do simple fundraising, teacher and activity support, field trip funding, and other needed voluntary projects.

Any donation helps and we're grateful for whatever your family is comfortable donating. Please keep a record of this donation as it is tax deductible.

Donations should be turned in by Friday, November 20th, 2015. Please make checks payable to Springville CAST.

THANK YOU in advance – our great family support helps to make Springville Elementary the best it can be!

Name (optional): _____ \$ _____

We understand coming to monthly meetings can be hard to fit into busy schedules but if you'd be interested in helping out with other CAST activities, we'd love to have you on our contact list. If you are interested in learning more, please write your email address below.

CAST is also on Facebook, search for Springville C.A.S.T. and ask to join the group, as we post information about opportunities and meetings on this page.

Email: _____

upcoming Community Events

Senior Meals

1st & 3rd Wednesdays
(opposite Wacky Wednesdays)
At Sally's
Serving from 11:30AM to 12:30 PM
\$3.50 Charge for Meal & Beverage
Bring a Friend!



CHRISTMAS IN SPRINGVILLE December 5th

- * Activities at the Fire Station 3-5PM
 - ELVES! Elves reading books
 - Fire Truck Rides
 - Write letters to Santa
 - Fun Games
 - Toys for Tots
 - Food Collection for Veterans Food Pantry
 - Holiday Movie w/popcorn
 - McGruff the Crime Dog
 - Refreshments, cupcakes, cookies and brownies
 - Ugly Sweater Contest
 - Drawing for a giveaway of four bicycles
 - Maybe even a Christmas surprise
- * The 4th Annual Christmas Tree Walk (Library) 11AM-3PM
- * Friends of the Library Book Sale 1PM-4PM
- * Vendor Fair at the Community Center 1-6PM
- * Activities at Butler Park 4:30-6:00PM
 - Live Nativity Scene
 - Caroling by the Methodist Church Choir
 - Winner of the Griswold Home Decorating Contest Announced
 - Lighting of the Community Christmas Tree by Mayor Shebetka
- * 2nd Annual Extreme Light Run 7PM
 - Meet at Sally's at 6PM
 - After the run stay at Sally's and watch the Big 10 Ball game



VENDOR FAIR SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5 1PM-6PM COMMUNITY CENTER

Come shop with some local vendors. Get your orders in and get your gifts delivered before Christmas!

Thirty One-Kristi March
Younique!-Liz Port
Pampered Chef-Penny Sindelar
KEEP Collective-Kate O'Brien-May
Clever Container-Sarah Walker
Origami Owl-Joan Christiansen
Designs by Gentry-Gentry Winter
Vintage Tree Creations-Leah Kearney
Mary Kay-Liz Thurston
Visalus-Bobby Troester
Annette Clark Cello & Violin Studio-Annette Clark
Baked Goods-Teresa Pilipovic & Jodie King

SANTA IS COMING!! Join us at the Fire Station Saturday, Dec. 19th 1PM-3PM



We will have crafts for the kids to enjoy. There will be drawings for the adults for a turkey or ham and a kid's drawing will include DVD movies. And of course the kids will get to visit with Santa and enjoy goodie bags and refreshments!

Sponsored by SANSI
(Springville Area Neighborhood Services & Information)

SANSI Christmas Benefit December 12, 2015 6:00PM to 10:00PM Springville American Legion

This benefit is for children and families in the Springville area who need assistance during the Christmas Holidays. Karaoke will be from 7-10PM, there will be a live and silent auction throughout the night. There are three ways to help that night.

1. SANSI Christmas Project-"Wish gifts for children"
2. SANSI Food Pantry (Non-perishable items only please)
3. SANSI Monetary Donation Box

If you would like to participate in the Christmas Project, you will need to get a tag by calling Janet Lentz at 319-854-6100 or get one from the Legion. After receiving or selecting a tag, please purchase one gift from the selection list or an age appropriate item and wrap the gift. After wrapping the package, please attach the blank numbered tag and write what is in the package on the tag. Also please include a gift receipt whenever possible. The gifts may be dropped off on or before December 11th.

Anyone wanting to bring a snack to share that night would be appreciated.

Happy Holiday and thank you for helping SANSI!!



This event is hosted by:
Kandi Knospe, Brian Gehl, Bob & Carry Nelson, Bill & Sharon Coons, Shawn & Missy Stewart, Chelsea Coons, Tami Baker and Jack & April McCall

The 2nd Annual Springville Extreme Light Walk/Run!! Saturday, December 5th at 7PM Meet at Sally's

Please join the great folks in Springville for a fun 2 mile run/walk to celebrate the holidays and check out the decorations. We will start in downtown and make the loop around Circle Drive before returning. Some prizes will be given out to the most festively dressed. Everyone is welcome and no registrations are required. Bring your holiday spirit! Food and beverages will start at 6:00 pm and continue after the walk/run.



SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

November 2, 2015

Mayor Roger Shebetka called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:01 pm in City Hall. Present on roll call: Councilpersons- Pat Hoyt, Mike Brady, Mareta Ralston, Penny Sindelar, and Brad Merritt.

Consent Agenda: M/by Merritt, 2nd/by Ralston to approve the consent agenda after a change of adding Councilperson Ralston as absent to the October 19 meeting minutes.

Reports-

Linn County Sherrieff- Deputy Egli presented the sheriff's report with 82 hours logged and 12 calls for service.

Mayor- The Mayor spoke of the City Codes addressing vehicles, campers, trailers, etc. parked on streets, and improperly parked in private yards. January 1st will begin strict enforcement of these codes.

Maintenace Report- Todd told of winterizing work being done, finishing up new fire hydrants, and Cox Lake fountain is removed. Todd and Brandon attended a training meeting in Manchester. Marked two head stones at the cemetery and have been working on several curb stop boxes.

Clerk Report- Black Hills sent out a Thank You letter for the continued Franchise. Clerk encouraged anyone interested in the CDBG grant to please come in and sign up.

Citizens with concerns not on the agenda-

Jean Menster stated a safety concern with the tree at the corner of 5th street and Mill Avenue. Also asked for clarification of the code for parking vehicles and trailers on your own yard grass.

Joel Rochleau and Rich Lorimer presented a check to the Community Trails Fund for \$4500. This is proceeds from the Extreme Quarry Run. Engineer Bob Tobin was present to recommend Connolly Construction out of Peosta to do the Creek Stabilization Project on 5th street. Connolly Construction was the lowest bid for this project at \$48728.95. Bob also presented to the council a Construction Phase Engineering Services Proposal. M/b Brady, 2nd/b Hoyt to award the contract for the Creek Stabilization Project to Connolly Construction. All ayes, m/c. M/b Hoyt, 2nd/b Brady to accept the Engineering Proposal for The Creek Stabilization Project, with a limitation of \$7000. All Ayes, m/c.

Mayor Shebetka led the Oath of Office for Clerk Kim Donaldson and Deputy Clerk Deanna Wagaman. M/b Sindelar, 2nd/b Ralston to accept the Cemetery Committee recommendation for reinvesting the Cemetery CD. This recommendation is for three years @1.5%. All Ayes, m/c. A lot of discussion over a letter sent to all councilmen and the mayor from Wanda Young. M/b Brady, 2nd/b Sindelar to approve Resolution #30-2015, granting Deanna Wagaman, deputy clerk, Power of Signator for the City of Springville. All Ayes, m/c. Clerk presented an email from Laura Rousell with information about the Franchise Fee, and our local option sales tax paperwork showing the amount received from it. M/b Ralston, 2nd/b Hoyt to approve the Tax Abatement for 108 8th street. All Ayes, Merritt abstained, m/c. Discussion on City utilization of a credit card. Tabled till next meeting. The 2014-2015 Annual Financial Report is ready to send. SEDC Community Meeting is November 9th at the Legion Hall. Next meeting is Monday November 16, 2015. M/B Brady, 2nd/B Hoyt to adjourn.

SPRINGVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

November 16, 2015

Mayor Roger Shebetka called the regular meeting of the Springville City Council to order at 6:00 pm in the Springville City Hall. Present on roll call: Councilpersons- Pat Hoyt, Mareta Ralston, Penny Sindelar, and Brad Merritt, Councilman Brady was absent. Also in attendance, Public Works Supervisor Todd Wyman, and Engineer Joel Elsinger with MSA.

Consent Agenda: M/B Merritt, 2nd/B Hoyt to approve the consent agenda, All Ayes, M/C.

Citizens with concerns not on the agenda-

Deb Yeisley addressed the council, there is a midsized Walnut tree just over the fence at the back of their property in Emmons Park. It drops branches and makes a mess, they are wanting permission to remove the tree at no expense to the city. The council granted permission. Thank you to the Yeisleys for not incurring any expense to the city.

Reports-

Linn County Sherrieff- the sheriff report – 110.1 hours logged and 16 calls for service.

Mayor- some tuck pointing was done to the back of the Community Center, this was done while Sally's was having work done to the back of her building, Mayor granted permission for safety purposes. The Community Center basement had sewage back up over the weekend. Todd and Brandon did a lot of the clean up and also worked with RotoRooter to clean out sewer main. Actually Clean will be here in the morning to clean the

basement. Will submit an insurance claim. Our school Superintendent would like a joint meeting between the school board and city council. Roger to get back with him, the council chose December 3rd for this meeting.

Maintenance Report- a lot of discussion on the brightness of new lights. Todd has looked into dimmers and diffusers, some diffusers would void the warranty. He will call for more options. Holiday decorating was discussed, placement options, and which items to display. RotoRooter was prompt coming to clean the sewer main today. Found 2 large clogs. Todd asked council to consider doing a routine clean out of certain areas.

Councilman- Mareta added to the banner and holiday lighting discussion, there is a family in town that would be willing to donate to the purchasing of a banner. Banners will run \$80-100 each. Also talk of banners sponsored by individuals or businesses and having their name or company name printed on the banner.

Clerk Report- Elson Addition update, with Brad, things are starting to progress, Planning and Zoning are heavily involved right now, it will be a bit yet before it comes to the council. CDBG update- we have 10 applications in. As soon as council accepts the grant writer, a public hearing will be posted.

Citizens Committee Update, with Treva and Al Woods. The committee has met twice, a lot of great ideas and thoughts. They plan a meeting for this next Tuesday night, it should not be much longer till a presentation to the council. There were no write in votes for this election. Clerk handed out Election Certificates.

Library- the Library Budget Committee is ready to meet. Is there any Council recommendations? Percentages? City has not received any new budget numbers thus far.

Parks Department- has received a donation from the Presbyterian Church for the Safe Swings at Cox Lake Park. Thank you to the Presbyterian Church.

M/B Sindelar, 2nd/B Ralston to grant permission for the purchase of 4 City Parking Lot signs. Al Woods presented the need for these signs on Johns Street and the City parking lot between 256 Broadway and the Legion. All ayes, M/C. An update on the Waste Water Facility Plan with Joe Elsinger. Joe presented a hand out that displayed preliminary findings. These findings included city population growth, average gallons, storm water gallons, and maximum gallons that have been pumped to the lagoons. The plant has been maintained very well and is generally in compliance with the DNR. The lift station on the other hand is a "dry pit" system, dangerous to work on, and is not capable of handling our current wet weather flows. The DNR requires our pumping capacity to be almost double the current level. This all leads to the LMI survey and the need for a grant. We are in need of 162 more LMI surveys to be returned in before we can complete this grant. The city will be contacting those that did not return their survey. M/B Ralston, 2nd/B Sindelar to approve the Community Credit Card Application. This approval includes Authorized Officer as the Mayor, other card holders City Clerk, Maintenance Supervisor, Librarian, and library custodian. All Ayes, M/C. M/B Sindelar, 2nd/B Ralston to set the Franchise Fee percentage at 1% for both Black Hills, and Alliant Energy. This will set the process in motion, resolutions and ordinance change to come. All Ayes, M/C. This will not have any financial effect on our citizens, just your 1% LOST dollars will come 100% to our town.

Discussion on Handicap parking spot for 404 Broadway. This is tabled till more information is found on requirements. Todd to call Bob Tobin. M/B Hoyt, 2nd/B Sindelar to accept Resolutions #30A-2015 and #30B-2015, both Corporate Resolutions. Giving authorization to listed parties, for banking purposes. All ayes, M/C. M/B Merritt, 2nd/B Ralston to allow for a contest to create a new logo/slogan for the City of Springville. This will be in conjunction with new light banner purchases. All Ayes, M/C. Clerk presented some financial status for FY ending 2014-15. Would like to look at creating savings, money markets, or CD's to separate out some of the larger balances. Council asked for options from both banks. Municipal Leadership Academy begins December 5th, any councilman interest can attend. M/B Merritt, 2nd/B Hoyt to approve the use of new time sheets for public works. This will distribute wages more accurately. All Ayes, M/C. M/B Sindelar, 2nd/B Ralston to select MSA Professionals as our grant writer for the CDBG Grant. All Ayes, M/C. M/B Merritt, 2nd/B Sindelar to select MSA Professionals as out grant writer for the Sewer Improvement Grant. All Ayes, M/C.

Next meeting is Monday December 7, 2015. M/B Merritt, 2nd/B



December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Book Club 6:30 PM @ Library	2 Girl Scout 5855 4:45-5:45 CC LEGO-2:30 Library 	3 Story Time 10:30AM @ Library Knitters 1 PM @ Library	4	5
6 Crafternoon 1-4 @ Library (Adults Only)	7 CITY COUNCIL MTG. 6PM @ CH	8 SAHS MTG 6:30 PM	9 Craft -2:30 Library Library Board 6:30 @ Buresh Room 	10 Story Time 10:30AM @ Lib Knitters 1 PM @ Library Parks Board 6:00 @ CH	11	12
13 4-H MTG. 7PM @ CC	14	15 Water Pymts Due Water Meters Read Book Club 6:30 PM @ Library	16 LEGO-2:30 Library Girl Scout 5855 4:45-5:45 CC 	17 Story Time 10:30AM @ Lib Knitters 1 PM @ Library School Board Mtg 7PM @ HS	18 School Cents Triple Points Weekend	19
20 School Cents Triple Points Weekends	21 CITY COUNCIL MTG. 6PM @ CH Girl Scout 1969 6-7 @ CC	22 SANSI Board 7PM @ CC	23 Christmas Fun-2:30 Library 	24 City Office Closed Library Closed	25 Christmas City Office Closed Library Closed	26 Tree Walk Ends
27	28	29	30 LEGO-2:30 Library 	31 City Office Closed @ Noon Library Closed		

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Did you know that you can sign up to have your water bill deducted right from your bank account? It is easy to sign up, just request and fill out a form and include a voided check or a deposit slip. It is that easy. We can deduct it from your account on the 5th or the 13th of the month. Stop worrying about being late, let us take care of it.



Record Setting Fall Sports Season



The Orioles had an AWESOME fall season. The football team and the volleyball teams qualified for state!! The cross country boys' team won the Tri-Rivers Conference title for the first time in school history. They also had an individual State Qualifier! Way to go Orioles!!

Did you know that if you are 65 or over you can get a complementary activities pass? This will allow you to get in FREE to all of the home games, con-



certs and plays. This pass is NOT good for district games. If you have wanted to come and watch the kids you can get your complementary pass at the High School Office. If you have questions please contact Joe Martin at the High School.

December Fun National Days

- December 1 is National Pie Day
- December 2 is National Fritters Day
- December 3 is National Roof-Over-Your-Head Day
- December 4 is National Cookie Day
- December 5 is National Sacher Torte Day (unique type of chocolate cake)
- December 6 is National Microwave Oven Day
- December 7 is National Cotton Candy Day
- December 8 is National Brownie Day
- December 9 is National Pastry Day
- December 10 is National Human Rights Day
- December 11 is National Noodle Ring Day
- December 12 is National Ding-A-Ling Day
- December 13 is National Violin Day
- December 14 is National Bouillabaisse Day
- December 15 is National Lemon Cupcake Day
- December 16 is National Chocolate Covered Anything Day
- December 17 is National Maple Syrup Day
- December 18 is National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day
- December 19 is National Oatmeal Muffin Day
- December 20 is National Sangria Day
- December 21 is National Crossword Puzzle Day
- December 22 is National Date-Nut Bread Day
- December 23 is National Roots Day
- December 24 is National Egg Nog Day
- December 25 is National Pumpkin Pie Day
- December 26 is National Whiners Day
- December 27 is National Fruitcake Day
- December 28 is National Chocolate Day
- December 29 is National Pepper Pot Day
- December 30 is National Bacon Day
- December 31 is National Champagne Day



Word Search Puzzle

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Exuded	Manes	Smirk	
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WE WANT YOU

We WANT your contact info!!

We want to keep you more informed on what's happening in our community! An easy way to do that is through email! It is easy, just send us a quick message to cityofsp@netins.net. Along with your emails, we would love your current phone numbers. This would help us stay connected and give us another way to communicate important information to you!



It's NOT too LATE!
OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING
REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The City of Springville intends to apply for a Housing Fund Grant through the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA). If successful, grant funds will be available to assist homeowners in the City of Springville with the rehabilitation of their homes. This is a very competitive grant, so if you are interested, please contact City Hall at 319-854-6428. We will help you with the application. We are in need of preliminary applications. Thank you!

Have a fun and safe Holiday Season

