

SPRINGVILLE NEWS

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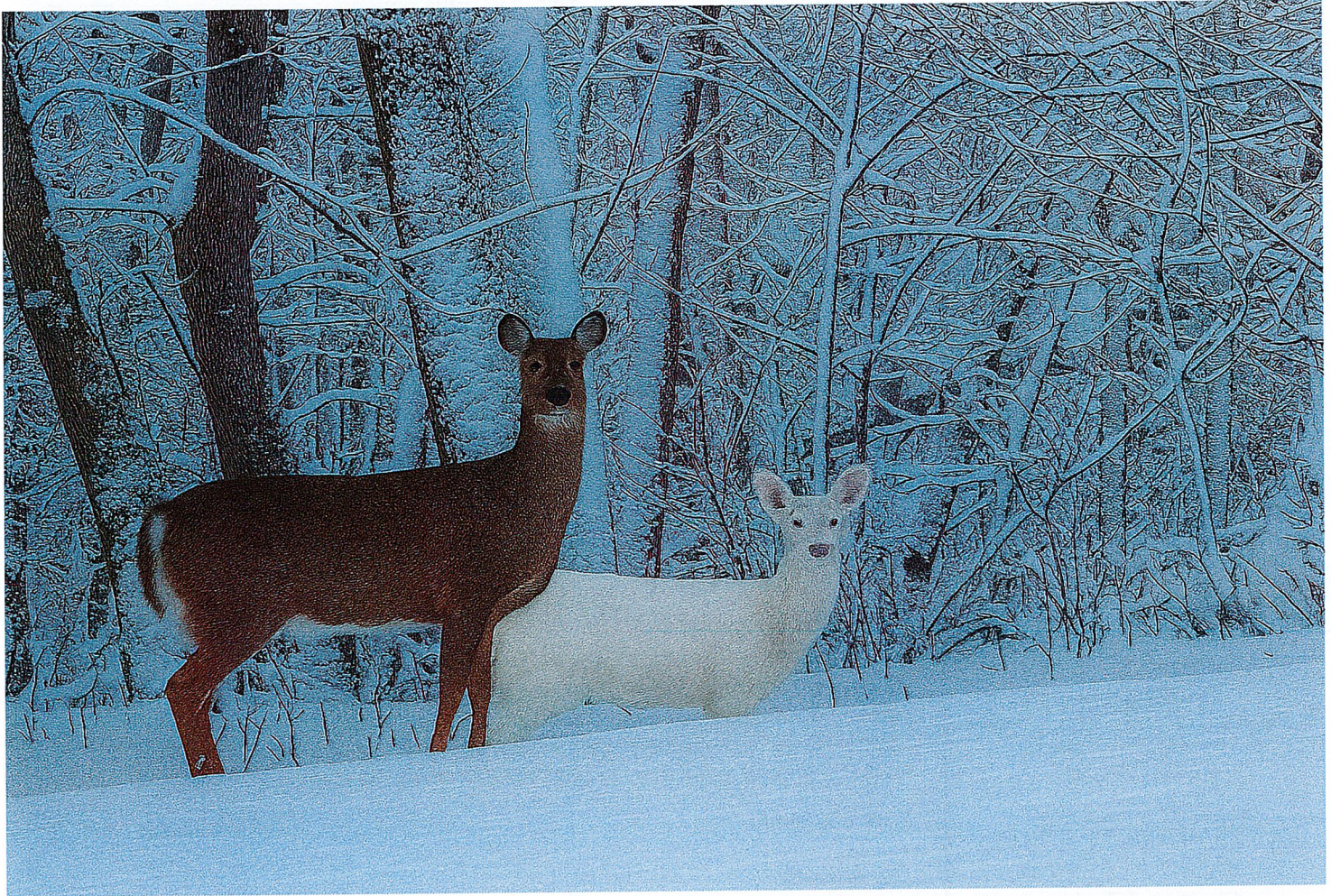


Photo sent in by Rex Dietz

American Legion Auxiliary

December 4 - 6:00 PM
Springville Legion

Legion Dinner/Mtg

December 11 - 6:30 PM
Springville Legion

Library Board

December 10 - 6:30 PM
Springville Memorial Library

P & Z Meeting

December 9 - 6:00 PM
City Hall

School Board

December 17 - 7:00 PM
Springville High School

Council Meeting

December 1 - 6:00 PM
December 15 - 6:00 PM
City Hall

Historical Society

December 9 - 6:30 PM

Parks

December 11 - 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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Nate Hinders

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Fire & Maint. Captain - Corbin

McCombs

EMS Training & Safety Officer - Austin

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Dee's Desk

"The joy of brightening other lives becomes for us the magic of the holidays."

— W. C. Jones



As we enter the holiday season, I'm reminded once again how fortunate we are to live in a community that celebrates in so many different ways. This time of year brings its own kind of magic to Springville—twinkling lights appearing on porches, families bundling up for local events, and the simple joy of seeing neighbors helping each other or simply sharing a smile or a wave. No matter what traditions you and your family observe—Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or simply the practice of slowing down and enjoying time with loved ones—the heart of this season is connection. It's a chance to reflect on the year behind us, celebrate the good, learn from the challenges, and look forward with hope to the year ahead. I'm always reminded that the strength of our community isn't just in our buildings, parks, or our events—it's in the people who show up for each other day after day, making our town feel like home in every season.

This season also gives me a chance to express my heartfelt appreciation for the people I've had the privilege to work alongside. I want to extend a sincere thank-you to Mayor Andersen and Council Member Bart Barner. Their years of service, steady leadership, and commitment to Springville have made a lasting impact on our community. It has truly been an honor to work with both of them in advancing projects, supporting residents, and helping shape the direction of our city.

As they step away from their roles, I hope they continue to find meaningful ways to stay involved. Their experience and passion for Springville are valuable assets, and I know our community will always welcome their continued engagement—whether through volunteer opportunities, special projects, or simply sharing their perspective when needed.

As we look ahead to a new year filled with possibility, I'm grateful for the trust you place in our office each day. Thank you for being an essential part of what makes Springville such a special place to call home. I wish each and every one of you a warm, safe, and joyful holiday season—no matter how you celebrate.

Your city clerk,

Dee Wagaman

Thank You, Mayor Andersen and Council Member Barner

The City of Springville extends its heartfelt appreciation to **Mayor Lyle Andersen** and **Council Member/Mayor Pro Tem Bart Barner** for their dedicated service to our community.

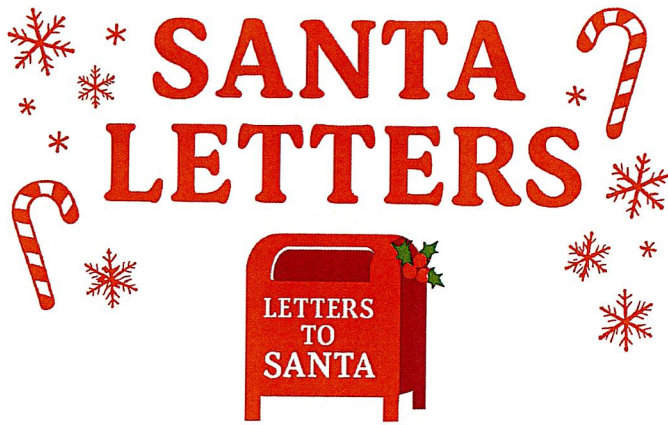
Mayor Andersen has faithfully served the citizens of Springville since **2017**, contributing his time both as a **City Council member** and as **Mayor**. His steady leadership, thoughtful decision-making, and commitment to Springville's progress have been deeply valued.

Council Member Bart Barner has served on the **City Council since 2020**, following previous service on the **Planning & Zoning Board**. His willingness to step into multiple roles—including Mayor Pro Tem—demonstrates his strong dedication to supporting our community and its long-term growth.

Springville is grateful for the time, energy, and care both Lyle and Bart have given to our residents. Please join us in thanking them for their years of commitment and service to our community.

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1   City Council Mtg 6PM City Hall	2	3	4  National Cookie Day Legion Auxiliary 6 PM @ Legion	5	6
7  National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8  	9 Historical Society 6:30 PM SAHS	10 Library Board 6:30 PM @ Library	11 6:30 PM @ Legion Dinner Mtg Parks Mtg 6 PM City Hall	12	13  National Cocoa Day
14	15    Water Bill Due City Council Mtg 6PM City Hall	16	17 School Board Mtg 7:00PM	18	19  National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day	20
21	22   National Cookie Exchange Day	23	24  Christmas Eve Office Closed	25  Christmas Day Office Closed	26  National Candy Cane Day Boxing Day	27
28	29  	30  National Bacon Day	31  New Years Eve Office Closed @ 12			



Santa's Mailbox is Coming to Springville!

The magical red mailbox will arrive at the City Clerk's Office, 304 Broadway St., during the last week of November. This special mailbox is the perfect place for kids to send their letters straight to the North Pole!

It's a busy season for Mr. & Mrs. Claus, the reindeer, and all the hardworking elves as they prepare to make the holidays merry and bright.

Santa will try to reply to as many letters as he can!

- Drop letters in the mailbox by **December 12th**
- Include each child's **name and address** so Santa knows where to send his reply



Merry Christmas from the City of Springville!

PRAIRE CHAPEL CHURCH LIVE NATIVITY

**SATURDAY, DEC 6TH FROM 5-7PM
FREE EVENT**

Follow the half mile of candle luminaries to your Bethlehem destination. Join the shepherds and sheep around a warm fire. Visit the Holy Family and animals in the stable. Drive thru or walk. Warm up with hot cocoa and cookies.

1817 Prairie Chapel Road, Marion.
Donations accepted for the local food pantry.



Griswold Christmas Lights Contest



Get your best Christmas lights and outside decorations up. SEDC is holding its Annual Griswold Christmas Lights Contest. They will be doing the judging on December 19th.

Win a prize and bragging rights!



We're collecting new toys, books and monetary donations on behalf of SANSI, in partnership with Toys for Tots now through

December 6th.

Visit our
Springville branch
to drop off a
donaton today!

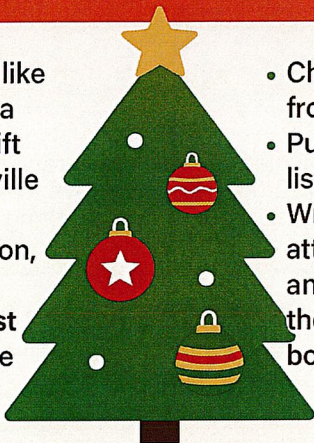


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319-854-7050 | www.mycsb.bank

SANSI CHRISTMAS

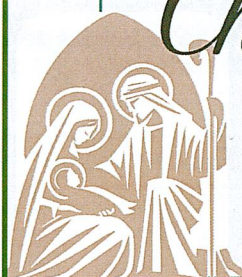
If you would like to purchase a Christmas gift for a Springville child this holiday season, beginning December 1st the Exchange State Bank and the

Springville Memorial Library will have a tree with tags and ideas for gifts.



- Choose a tag from the tree
- Purchase the listed item(s)
- Wrap the gift, attach the tag, and circle the item(s) you bought

Thank you for helping make the holidays brighter for local children!



YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR Christmas EVE SERVICE

24 DECEMBER, 2025 | AT 5 PM

SPRINGVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
169 BROADWAY ST. SPRINGVILLE, IA



Children's Christmas
Program Dec 14th 9am
Springville Methodist Church



Christmas Movie Trivia Sponsored by Springville Youth Softball Club

December 13th 7-9 PM

Bring some friends together and battle for a good cause at the **Springville American Legion**. There will be games, prizes, and fun- dressing up is encouraged. Teams can be made up of 2-8 players- you can choose your team now or find a team to join the night of. Admission is \$25/player for participating in trivia night. You may pay at the door or to guarantee your spot you can pay ahead of time by check to Springville Youth Softball and drop it off to Jaime Zaruba or Brittney Trumpold. Participants will be capped at 100 players.



Methodist Church
Senior Dining
December 31st from 11:30 - 12:30 PM the
Methodist Church will have senior dining.
Weather permitting.



Horses & Hot Chocolate

DECEMBER 13TH FROM 2 - 4PM

Fuzzy horses, warm cocoa, and holiday memories
await you at Greenbriar Riding Academy. Only \$10
per attendee — all ages welcome!

- ✦ Sip a cup of warm cocoa
- ✦ Stroll through our barn and meet the horses
- ✦ Take a ride around the arena
- ✦ Save up to 25% on gift certificates
- ✦ All attendees entered to win prizes every half hour



GREENBRIAR RIDING ACADEMY
8 1ST AVE, SPRINGVILLE, IOWA 52336

What's New in the Library?



NEW MATERIALS

JUVENILE FICTION

The Humble Pie by Jory John

Dog Man: Big Jim Believes by Dav Pilkey
(Graphic)

YOUNG ADULT GRAPHIC

Absolutely Everything by Damian Alexander

Hacking Heartbreak by Kevin heronJones

Losing the Plot by Annaleise Byrd

My Green Style by Lea Beddia

Pangu's Shadow by Karen Bao

Scoop McLaren Waves of Mystery by Helen Castles

ADULT FICTION

A Particularly Nasty Case by Adam Case

The Proving Ground by Michael Connelly

Remain by Nicholas Sparks

The Intruder by Freida McFadden

Sheltering Rain by Jojo Moyes

The Girl from Devil's Lake by J. A. Jance

Please Don't Lie by Christina Baker Kline

The Hallmarked Man by Robert Galbraith

The Unraveling of Julia by Lisa Scottoline

Emma on Fire by James Patterson



REGULAR PROGRAMS

Knitters Dec 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 1:00

Story Time Dec 4, 11, and 18 at 10:30

Early Outs Dec 3 Decorate cookies & make holiday centerpiece, Dec 17 Movie and snacks 2:00 both days

Adult Beginning Crochet

Free class offered December 4, 11
and 18 at 6:00 p.m. Join us in front
of the fire place.



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

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

VISIT FROM SAINT NICOLAS



Jolly old St. Nicolas will visit the library on December 20th from noon until 2:00. He would love to see you and your little ones in front of our fireplace. Bring your camera—these photos become very precious as the years go by!

PORCH POTS DECEMBER 4, 5 AND 6

Fresh greenery and other decorative items will be provided for a planter/pot you bring in. This activity will be available during regular library hours on the dates listed above. Work on your own schedule and at your own pace to make a lovely decoration. Our patrons really enjoyed this craft last year.

TREE WALK

The library will once again host a tree walk thru the Christmas season. We hope your business, class, service organization or family will decorate a tree or wreath for the enjoyment of the Springville Community. The library has a few trees available for your use, but you are encouraged to provide your own. Please contact the library at 319-854-6444 with questions.



Christmas Shopper's Table

When you're in the library, check out our Shopper's Table. During December you'll find simple, reasonably priced gifts for those on your Christmas list. Sales benefit library activities for our patrons.

Chair Yoga

Chair Yoga is a gentle form of yoga that can be done while seated in a chair. It will be offered at the library during December at 1:00 p.m. December 6, 13, 20. These free classes will be held in the Buresh room.

Senior Meal and Activity

December 17 SANSI and the library will host the monthly Senior Meal and Activity. Meal starts at 11:00 a.m., and you need to sign up by Dec 14 to reserve your place. Call the library at 319-854-6444 or SANSI 319-854-6100 to reserve a spot for some festive fun.

UPCOMING EVENT!

ADULT BEGINNER CROCHET GROUP

THURS
EVENINGS
6-7 PM

DESIGNED
FOR ADULT
LEARNING!

NOVEMBER
13 AND 20
DECEMBER
4, 11, & 18
JANUARY
8, 15, 22, & 29

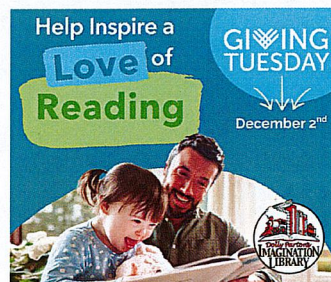
VISIT THE SPRINGVILLE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

#GivingTuesday is just days away! What can you do to make a BIG impact on this day dedicated to harnessing the power of good and giving back? Support the Imagination Library program here in Springville.

Springville is home to **45** incredible local program partners — the true heroes who place Dolly Parton's Imagination Library books into the hands and hearts of children from birth to age five. With your support, we can reach even more young learners with a new book every month!

If you want to help support early literacy on Giving Tuesday, December 2nd, reach out to Treva Davis 319-854-6950.



VOLUNTEER WITH VITA



Help your community - one tax return at a time

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, provides free tax preparation assistance to low-to-moderate income workers.



Make an impact in East Central Iowa

Last year, VITA volunteers prepared **2,025** tax returns bringing more than **\$2.8 million** back into our community.



Why you should volunteer

- **No experience needed** - IRS tax training will be provided in December & January
- **Flexible roles and shifts** - from tax preparer to greeter
- **Make a real impact** - help individuals and families through a difficult tax process



Volunteer roles available

- **Tax preparers** - prepare basic tax returns
- **Greeters** - welcome & prepare clients for appointments
- **Intake specialists** - meet with clients to review tax information



Commitment

3-4 hours a week from January to April

Learn more and sign up today:

uweci.org/volunteervita

Thank you to our
VITA Sponsors:



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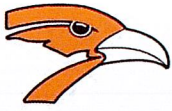
Springville Women's Auxiliary Delivers Big Support to Iowa Veterans Home

The Springville Women's Auxiliary once again demonstrated the incredible generosity of our community by collecting a full truckload of donations for the Iowa Veterans Home. Thanks to the kindness of local residents, the group gathered essential items and meaningful comforts to support the men and women who have served our country.

Mayor Andersen and his wife, Marilyn, personally delivered the donated items to the Iowa Veterans Home—an act that reflects Springville's spirit of service and appreciation for our veterans. Their visit helped ensure that every box, bag, and bundle made its way directly into the hands of those who will benefit most.

Thank you to the Women's Auxiliary and to everyone who donated. Your support truly makes a difference and reminds our veterans that Springville is thinking of them this holiday season.





ORIOLE NEWS



SPRINGVILLE
2025-2026

TICKET PRICES
CASHLESS VIA BOUND

SEASON PASSES
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$350
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP \$150

SINGLE GAME
VARSITY \$7.00/PERSON
JH/JV \$5.00/PERSON
SENIORS 65+ FREE

SENIOR CITIZENS
PASSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR EVENTS
CONTACT AD- JOE MARTIN

TICKET AVAILABLE AT
<https://www.gobound.com/ea/schools/springville/tickets>



Early Outs: Dec. 3rd, 17th & 23rd
No School for Winter Break:
Dec. 24th - Jan. 2nd



Congratulations to Oriole senior Rowan Jacobi on her commitment to continue her basketball career at the University of South Dakota! Congratulations Rowan!

Kindness Week

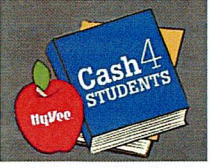


Elementary Student Council & Friends welcomed students to school Thursday morning with music, smiles, high fives, and hugs!!

Middle School & High School Student Senate members and staff helped students put together a schoolwide kindness chain!



Hy-Vee Cash 4 Students Program



Help support our local schools just by saving your Hy-Vee receipts! The **Cash 4 Students** program allows area schools to earn **\$1 for every \$200** in receipts collected. Funds can be used for classroom supplies, equipment, events, or special projects.

How to participate:

Save your Hy-Vee receipts (excluding money orders) from any of the **13 Cedar Rapids and Marion Hy-Vee locations**, including purchases from grocery, pharmacy, wine & spirits, Market Grille, catering, and fuel.

Receipts can be dropped off at:

City Hall, Springville Co-op Telephone Company, Exchange State Bank, Citizens State Bank, or the Springville Memorial Library.

A simple way to make a big impact—thank you for supporting our students!

HOMETOWN HEROES

Knoxville Fire Chief Cal Wyman Receives Crisis Canines Foundation Leadership Award.

Posted By: Clayton Sampson, October 23, 2025, Today's Local News

Knoxville Fire Chief Cal Wyman has received a Crisis Canines Founding Leadership Award.



The award was received, and Wyman was recognized at the Crisis Canines of the Midlands Fall graduation at DMACC in Newton. Wyman was instrumental in bringing Crisis Canines to first responders in our local communities after the idea was presented by former Knoxville Firefighter Justin Smith who is the co-founder of the organization. Since then, Crisis Canines has been widely successful, and they have partnered with many agencies in Iowa to bring in the highly trained dogs to first responders after first starting in Knoxville.

Crisis Canines of the Midlands (CCM) provides highly trained and certified crisis response canine teams to support first responders and communities navigating the aftermath of critical incidents, trauma, and disaster. These canines undergo significant training to be able to assist in crisis situations and the organization is continuing to try and gain exposure in our local community.

A speech given at the ceremony by Crisis Canines President Steve Ashing stated, "Chief Calvin Wyman today is about you. This entire program—Crisis Canines—started as an idea in the heart of one of your firefighters, Justin Smith. When Justin came to you with a vision of pairing trained canines with first responders to bring comfort in crisis, you didn't hesitate. You said, 'Let's do it.'"

"You gave Justin the green light to train in Ohio, the support to build something new, and most importantly—you gave him your trust. That decision has rippled outward. What began in Knoxville is now impacting communities across Iowa and now the nation. Our dogs have walked beside survivors, comforted grieving families, and stood with our brothers and sisters in uniform through their toughest moments. That's the power of what you helped start.

You never asked for credit—but today, we're giving it to you, because leadership like yours deserves recognition."

Marion County has four trained crisis canines currently and has two more coming.

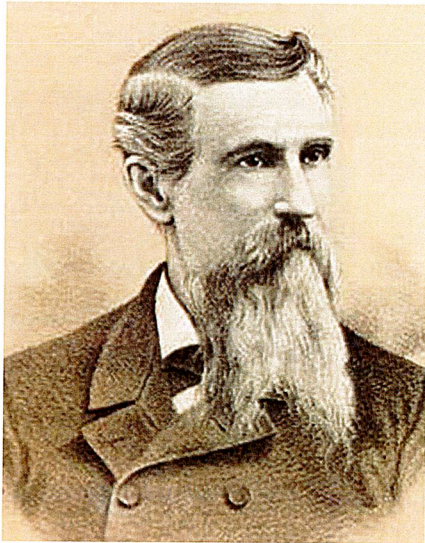
Cal is the son of Janet Evans of Springville and Doug Wyman of Marion. Cal graduated from Springville High School and started his fire fighting career right here at Springville Fire & Rescue.



Springville CSD is so fortunate every year to be joined by members from the Springville American Legion Post 331 for our Veterans Day assembly!

A STROLL THROUGH THE HIS

129 years ago, Joseph S. Butler recalled pioneer days



**Joseph S. Butler
(1821-1898)**

Early in 1840, Joseph Samuel Butler came to the future site of Springville when he was 18. He arrived from Racine County, Wis., with his father, Isaac; stepmother, Susan; and several siblings and half siblings. The Butlers were the second family to settle in Brown

Township. (Nathan

and Tamar Brown, with three young adult children, were the first.)

About 56 years later, as founder and president of the Exchange Bank in Springville, Butler spoke at the August 1896 Linn County Old Settlers Reunion in Marion. He was then 75. Following are excerpts from his speech.

“The pioneers who came to Linn County (Iowa) and stood the brunt of the hardships, the exposure, and privations of frontier life, found this country to be a wilderness – a vast, unbroken pasture field, with frequent groves and streams, and an abundance of wild fruit and game.

“Highways and bridges there were none. It was . . . inhabited by roving bands of Indians, wild animals, and the dreaded Mossager rattlesnake. Occasionally a pioneer cabin was to be found in the edge of the timber, for better protection from storms in winter.

“Their cabins were built of round logs, the outside cracks daubed with clay to keep out the cold

. . . Many times greased paper served in place of glass for windows. Some of these cabins when completed did not have a nail, spike, bolt, or piece of glass in their entire construction, the work being done with an ax, saw, drawknife, and auger. Often it was many miles to the nearest neighbor.

“The early pioneers usually brought all their worldly possessions with them . . . an ox team, a wagon, a cow or two, and many times without a dollar in money, but with a good rifle and a faithful dog, and added to that he possessed a brave heart, a determined will to defend himself and his family and his property . . .

“These pioneers were brave people, generous to a fault, and when a stranger visited their cabins, he always found the latch string out and was always welcome to the best they had. They were generally an industrious people, honest in their dealings, and usually paid their debts promptly when due.

“They were very conservative in their mode of living and of doing business, seldom buying anything on time unless it was a necessity. Their credit was their only capital with which they could do business, and they were generally very careful not to abuse it.”

Joseph Butler, one of Springville's earliest pioneers, died Dec. 31, 1898. He was survived by his wife, Maria Reneau Butler; one son, Charles Frederick “Fred” Butler; and one granddaughter, Margaret Josephine Butler (later Mrs. Emmons). Margaret became the mother of Joseph Butler Emmons, the fourth and last member of the line to be president of the bank

By Karen Taylor

TORY OF SPRINGVILLE, IOWA



Fred Taylor, 104, was grand marshal of the 2025 Veterans Day parade in San Diego, Calif. This photo was taken in the staging area before the parade began. A 1943 photo of Fred is displayed on the car

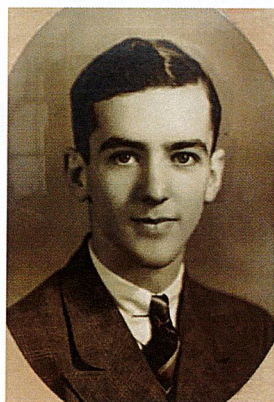


Fred Taylor at 99 flew this World War II biplane, courtesy of Dream Flights, from Gillespie Field in El Cajon, Calif. He served in the Army Air Corps. This photo was taken in February 2021.

Springville native, 104, is parade grand marshal

Fredric "Fred" Taylor, who was born in Springville, turned 104 Nov. 13, 2025, at his home in La Mesa, Calif. Two days earlier, he was honored to serve as grand marshal of the San Diego Veterans Day parade. La Mesa is a San Diego suburb.

Taylor, born in 1921, was the eighth of nine children. He is a 1939 graduate of Springville High School. As a Reservist, he was called up for World War II service in February of his senior year at Cornell College. (He still received his bachelor or music degree, however.)



Fred Taylor, 1939

He was in the Army Air Corps, and received flight training at Pine Bluff, Ark.; Independence, Kan.; Eagle Pass and Galveston, Texas; and Colorado Springs. Then he was sent to Fano, Italy, where he received his draft notice from Uncle Sam! He still chuckles about that clerical error.

Fred is a retired instrumental music instructor and school band director. Since 1958, he has lived in his own home, now sharing it with daughter Linda, a retired university professor; and Gracie, a black Lab. Fred's parents lived to 95 and 93, his paternal grandfather to 100, and one of his sisters to 104. The Springville home in which he grew up is currently owned by Jon and Treva Davis on North Avenue.



Springville City Election Results

Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent City/School election. Your vote helps shape the future of our community, and we appreciate the strong turnout from Springville residents.

We are pleased to announce that **Daryl Pearson** has been elected as **Springville's next Mayor**, with his term beginning **January 1, 2025**. Daryl has been an active member of the community for many years, and we look forward to his leadership.

Joining the council table will be **Drew Mollenhauer**, who will begin his first term as a City Council member. We are excited to welcome Drew and the fresh perspective he will bring.

We would also like to congratulate **Treva Davis** and **Cindy Kilburg**, who were re-elected and will continue serving our community on the City Council. Their experience and dedication are invaluable to the ongoing work of the City.

Thank you to all candidates for their willingness to serve, and thank you again to everyone who took the time to vote. Together, we continue to build a strong and vibrant Springville.



Planning & Zoning Board Vacancies

Springville is looking for community-minded residents to serve on the Planning & Zoning Board!

This board plays an important role in shaping the future of our community. Members review and make recommendations to the City Council on zoning ordinances, land use requests, and development plans—helping ensure growth is thoughtful and consistent with the City's long-term vision.



Why Serve?

- ✓ Contribute to the future of Springville
- ✓ Help guide responsible development
- ✓ Share your ideas and community perspective

🕒 **Term Length:** 5 years

📅 **Meetings:** 2nd Tuesday of each month

If you are interested in serving, please contact City Hall for more information or to apply.

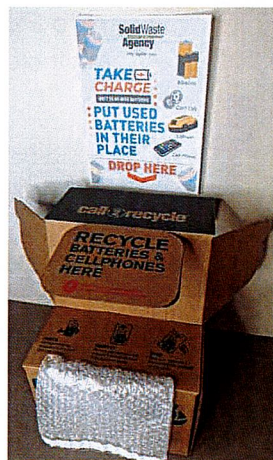


The Solid Waste Agency is working with Springville by providing battery recycling drop-off boxes located at City Hall, 304 Broadway St.

Many people don't realize just how dangerous it is to toss used batteries—especially **lithium-ion batteries**—into regular household garbage. When batteries end up in a garbage truck or at the landfill, they can easily be crushed, punctured, or damaged. Even a small amount of pressure can cause a battery to short-circuit and overheat.

When that happens, the battery can **spark, ignite, and start a fire**. These fires are extremely difficult to put out because batteries can continue to burn even without oxygen, spreading flames through piles of waste. Across the country, waste facilities have seen a sharp increase in fires directly linked to improperly disposed batteries.

To help keep everyone safe, please **do not place any type of battery in your trash or recycling tote**.



TAKE & CHARGE

WHAT TO DO WITH BATTERIES

HOW TO RECYCLE

1. PLACE **ALL** BATTERIES IN A BOX OR BAG
2. DROP OFF AT COLLECTION SITE

Batteries should **NEVER** be placed in your recycling bin or household trash.

COLLECT ALL BATTERIES FOR RECYCLING

AA, AAA, C, D AND 9-VOLT BATTERIES

These household batteries may be labeled alkaline or rechargeable.

LITHIUM BATTERIES

Lithium batteries can still spark a fire even if they cannot power their equipment.

Built-in batteries?

If the batteries cannot be removed, bring in the entire product for proper disposal.

SMALL, SEALED, LEAD-ACID BATTERIES

These batteries can be recharged by a household outlet. They contain hazardous chemicals that could harm family and pets or contaminate land and waterways if disposed of improperly.

Found in battery-powered scooters, remote control cars and many other toys and products.



Community Youth Group

7th-12th grades

JOIN US DEC 15TH FOR A SPECIAL *Christmas* ACTIVITY!

YOUTH GROUP MEETS MONDAYS AT SPRINGVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
6:15-7:30pm - Questions? Call Krysta 319-310-6302

Future *Gospel & Glow* event planned for February!



FREE Supper served 6:15-6:45pm



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Remembering Bill Bernau and His Lasting Impact on Springville



The Springville community extends its heartfelt condolences to the family of **William Robert "Bill" Bernau**, who passed away on October 30, 2025, at the age of 94. Bill leaves behind an extraordinary legacy—not only across Iowa, but right here in Springville.

Bill's lifelong dedication to community banking helped shape the financial foundation of many small towns throughout our state. After beginning his law career and marrying the love of his life, Kay, Bill discovered his true calling in banking. In 1966, he purchased his first bank in Crawfordsville, later establishing **Country Bancorporation**, through which he acquired several local banks, including our own in Springville. His belief was simple but powerful: **every Iowa town is made stronger when it has a strong local bank.** Bill championed this philosophy throughout his career, even serving as Iowa's Superintendent of Banking during the challenging years of the Farm Crisis.

Bill's story is one of service, leadership, and deep commitment to community. His vision and values continue to benefit Springville today, and his contributions will long be remembered by the many people and communities whose lives he touched.

Our thoughts are with the Bernau family, Country Bancorporation, and all who knew and admired Bill.

Winter Weather & Snow Emergency Reminders



Snow season is just around the corner, and we want everyone to be prepared! When the City declares a **snow emergency**, we will immediately share the information on **KCRG, KGAN, the City of Springville Facebook page**, and our **city website**. You can also sign up to receive a text through our texting service.

During a snow emergency, **all vehicles must be moved off the streets and out of public parking areas**. This allows our Public Works team to clear the roads safely and efficiently.

Please also be considerate of your neighbors—avoid parking in front of their properties during snow removal operations so crews can fully clear the street from edge to edge.

Snow Removal Rules to Remember

Under **City Code 135.12**, it is **unlawful** to dump, blow, shovel, or throw snow into the street. Snow must remain on your own property and may not be pushed onto neighboring private or public property. Keeping snow where it belongs helps maintain safe roadways and prevents issues for nearby residents.



Fire Hydrant & Sidewalk Safety



If you have a **fire hydrant** near your home, please take a few moments to keep it clear of snow. In an emergency, every second counts, and accessible hydrants help protect the entire neighborhood.

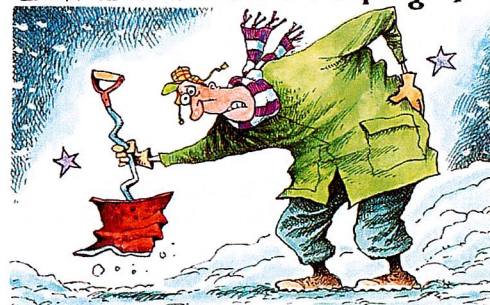
We also appreciate your prompt attention to clearing sidewalks. Safe walkways ensure everyone in the community can travel safely throughout the winter months.

Snow Shoveling Safety: Make Winter Work a Little Less... Work!

Winter is coming, and so is that yearly workout we didn't ask for—**snow shoveling**! Keep things safe (and maybe even a little fun) with these simple tips:

- **Warm up before you “plow.”** Treat shoveling like a mini workout. A quick stretch helps wake up those muscles before you battle the snowbanks.
- **Push, don't heave.** Pretend your shovel is a mini snowplow—pushing snow is easier on your back *and* makes you look like a pro.
- **Lift like a superhero.** Bend your knees, keep your back straight, and lift small amounts. (Capes optional but encouraged.)
- **Dress like a cozy marshmallow.** Layers are your friend! Gloves, hat, boots—bundle up so you stay toasty while taking on the cold.
- **Watch out for sneaky ice.** Snow loves to hide ice underneath. Step carefully and sprinkle some salt or sand to keep your footing.
- **Hydrate (yes, even in winter!).** Cold weather is tricky—you still need water, even if you don't feel thirsty.
- **Take breaks.** Shoveling is not a race. Sip some cocoa, admire your progress, and then jump back in.
- **Know when to tag in help.** Heavy, wet snow? Not feeling 100%? It's okay to call for backup. Winter teamwork makes the dream work!

How this winter is shaping up...



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Stay safe, stay warm, and may your shoveling be light and your cocoa be hot!

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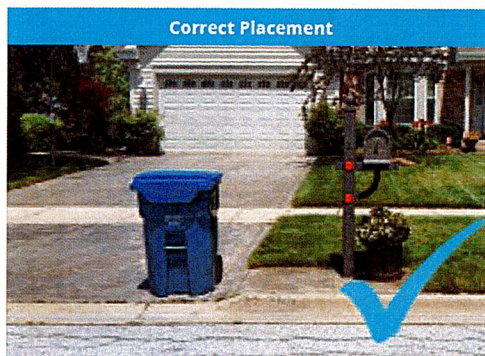
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A Message From Republic Services®

The City of Springville has partnered with Republic Services for city-wide recycling and waste collection. While not all-inclusive, this guide is designed to provide you with information on the services.

- Recycling collection will occur every other Monday. Homes located on the north side of 2nd Ave and north will be serviced on 'A' week. Homes located on the south of 2nd Ave and south will be serviced on 'B' week.
- **All material must fit in the carts** provided. Material placed outside the carts will not be collected.
- Larger 95-gallon carts are available for a one-time charge of \$40.
- If more carts are needed, they are available by contacting City Hall (for an additional monthly charge).
- If you have questions about your service, please contact Republic Services at **877-692-9729**.



Cart Placement

Please place carts at least 3 feet away from obstructions, such as mailboxes, trees, utility poles, parked cars, other carts or other objects.



Bulk Waste Collection

Included in this service is a collection for your bulk items. Bulk is acceptable waste or recycling items too large to fit into a standard residential container. **Customers can place one bulk item out per month.** This service is provided at no charge. You **must schedule** a pick up through your account at RepublicServices.com/Account or use the Republic Services app. For bulk collection, we ask that the residents contact us to be placed on the list prior to the collection day.

Note: Some bulk items, like appliances, tires or mattresses may require a charge. Residents can call or request the service through their online account.

Acceptable Bulk Waste Items:

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| • Picture frames | • Area rugs/pillows |
| • Sectionals (one full) | • Lawn tools |
| • Microwaves | • Grills |
| • Couches/Sleeper sofas | • Baby swings |
| • Rockers/recliners | • Playpens |
| • Coffee/end tables | • Car seats |
| • Kitchen tables | • Fans |
| • Bed frames/baby beds (cribs) | • Dishes |
| • Walking mowers (fuel must be drained) | • Clothing |
| • Bicycles/Tricycles/Outdoor toys | • Vacuum cleaners |
| • Dressers, shelving, cabinets, etc. | • Pillows |

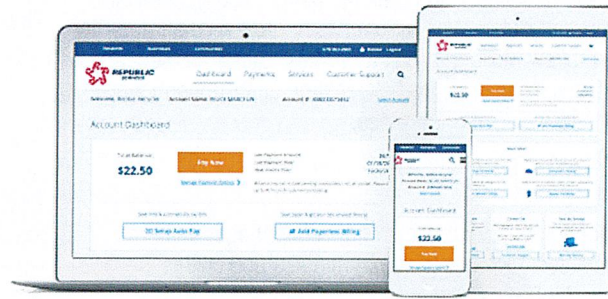
Unacceptable Bulk Waste Items:

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| • Major appliances | • Car batteries |
| • Air conditioners | • Liquid waste of any kind |
| • Dehumidifiers | • Household hazardous waste |
| • Water heaters/softeners | • Medical waste |
| • Windows | • Yard waste |
| • Plate glass | • Solid steel posts |
| • Riding lawn mowers | • Heavy gauge steel |
| • Tires | • Electronic items (cell phones, radios, etc.) |
| • Demolition/remodeling/construction debris | • Carpeting |
| • Cement, rocks, bricks | • Car parts |

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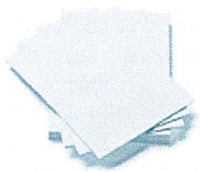
- ✓ Schedule a pickup
- ✓ Report a missed pickup
- ✓ Find new products and services
- ✓ Rate your service
- ✓ Repair a cart
- ✓ Know when your truck is on the way with Track My Truck
- ✓ And more



Recycling

Residents are encouraged to reduce their waste by taking advantage of the recycling program. You do not need to separate your recycling; it can all be mixed together. Please rinse all cans and bottles, and flatten all boxes.

What can always be placed in your recycling cart:



Paper

- Newspaper
- Chipboard
- Office paper
- Phone books
- Magazines



Plastic

- Plastic bottles & containers coded # 1 – #7
- HDPE plastics



Metal

- Aluminum
- Aluminum cans
- Tin & steel cans



Cardboard

- Cardboard
- Boxboard
- Cereal boxes
- Shoe boxes
- Soda & beer carrying cases

What can never be placed in your recycling cart:



- Disposable diapers
- Ribbons, foil & wrapping paper
- Tissues & paper towels
- Plastic-coated or food-soiled paper
- Empty motor oil & antifreeze containers
- Candy wrappers & chip bags
- Polystyrene foam
- Polystyrene foam packing peanuts & bubble wrap (reuse or take out of containers)
- Prescription vials
- Mirrors, window glass, ceramic dishes, incandescent & halogen bulbs, fluorescent tubes/bulbs
- Paint containers & aerosol containers that are not empty
- Sharp or greasy metal
- Vacuum cleaner bags
- Cigarette butts
- Pet waste
- CDs & CD cases
- **No plastic bags**

City Council Regular Meeting

November 3, 2025

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Jeff Baych, Treva Davis, Karla Blakely, Cindy Kilburg, and Bart Barner. City staff present: Public Works Supervisor Todd Wyman and City Clerk Dee Wagaman. Drew Mollenhauer, Larry Riley, Steve Kalmes, Shelli Brady, Mike Brady, Daryl Pearson, David Gloeckner, Jim Koppenhaver, and Jennifer Wyman were also in attendance.

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

Kilburg made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items; October 20, 2025, minutes, October 27, 2025 minutes and claims, seconded by Davis. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following reports were presented: Sheriff's Report, MSA's monthly report, Maintenance Report, Clerk Report, and July/August Treasurer's reports. Mayor commented that the garbage/recycling pick up went well. No other comments.

Mayor Andersen invited citizens with input to speak. Jim Koppenhaver commented on the new trash haulers. He was able to meet and speak with both drivers that were in town. They were both very knowledgeable and courteous. There being no further public comments, Mayor Andersen moved to business.

Mayor Andersen opened the public hearing to consider amending the parking regulations on 4th St. S at 6:12 p.m. There were no comments for or against the proposed changes. There were also no comments received in the office. Baych made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:13 p.m., seconded by Kilburg. RCV: AYES: Blakely, Davis, Barner, Baych, Kilburg. NAYS: None. **PUBLIC HEARING closed.** Blakely made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 11-2025, seconded by Barner. RCV: AYES: Baych, Blakely, Davis, Barner, Kilburg. NAYS: None. **FIRST READING approved.** Baych made a motion to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 11-2025, seconded by Barner. RCV: AYES: Kilburg, Baych, Blakely, Barner, Davis. NAYS: None. **2ND & 3RD READINGS waived.** Blakely made a motion to adopt Ordinance 11-2025, seconded by Davis. RCV: AYES: Baych, Kilburg, Blakely, Barner, Davis. NAYS: None. **ORDINANCE 11-2025 adopted.**

The council discussed the purchase of city property for the Hwy 151 project. A public hearing needs to be set so they can hear from the community. Barner made a motion to approve Resolution 44-2025 to set a public hearing for Monday, November 17th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the sale of real property and conveyance of real estate interest, seconded by Blakely. RCV: AYES: Kilburg, Baych, Davis, Blakely, Barner. NAYS: None. **RESOLUTION 44-2025 adopted.**

The council discussed the new garbage/recycling rates. Republic Services set their prices, and we pass the cost to the residents. Because it is billed on the water bill, it needs to be amended by Ordinance. Blakely made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 13-2025, seconded by Kilburg. RCV: AYES: Barner, Baych, Davis, Blakely, Kilburg. NAYS: None. **FIRST READING approved.** Kilburg made a motion to waive the second and third readings of Ordinance 13-2025, seconded by Baych. RCV: AYES: Barner, Davis, Kilburg, Blakely, Baych. NAYS: None. **2ND & 3RD READINGS waived.** Blakely made a motion to adopt Ordinance 13-2025, seconded by Davis. RCV: AYES: Baych, Barner, Kilburg, Blakely, Davis. NAYS: None. **ORDINANCE 13-2025 adopted.**

There was a lengthy discussion with the council and Larry Riley, David Gloeckner, Shelli Brady and Steve Kalmes. The council would like to research further a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the residents to continue to mow and use the 100' ROW. The residents would like a better

explanation of why a lease would not work. The MOU would be a less formal agreement with no exchange of money and would be less permanent. The residents are willing to give the council time to get some language together and present this option.

There was a lengthy discussion with the council and the attendees of the meeting about parking on Circle Drive. The visibility issues seem to be coming from the cars parking directly at the top left portion of the Drive. If the council makes that area no parking, the adjacent neighbors would like it enforced equally. They discussed changing the yield sign to a stop sign. Some think speed is causing an issue as well. A 3-way stop was suggested to make everyone stop at the entrance/exit of the Circle. The council feels that this topic is going to take some more time to think about ways to solve this issue.

The council has agreed to put yield signs on Mill Ave at the intersection of 8th St. There is some confusion as to what type of sign and the location it can be placed. The council has given Mayor Andersen and Todd Wyman to come up with the solution and install the appropriate signage.

The council was presented with a quote from Besler Construction to fix the sidewalk squares that the city needs to fix and the handicap ramp at the southwest corner of Broadway St. and 1st Ave. Wyman does not know why this came to be a council issue, this is the normal sidewalk repairs. Being a nonissue the topic was dropped.

Wagaman presented the council with the FY25 Street Finance Report. This report is due to the state annually to show them what is being done with our Road Use Tax Funds and to also show how much other money and where it comes from that support our streets. Blakely made a motion to approve Resolution 45-2025 to approve the FY25 SFR, seconded by Kilburg. RCV: AYES: Davis, Kilburg, Baych, Blakely, Barner. NAYS: None. **RESOLUTION 45-2025 adopted.**

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, November 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There being no further discussion, Kilburg moved to adjourn at 7:06 p.m., seconded by Davis. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Council Regular Meeting

November 17, 2025

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Andersen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present: Bart Barner, Jeff Baych, Treva Davis, Karla Blakely, and Cindy Kilburg. City staff present: Public Works Supervisor Todd Wyman and City Clerk Dee Wagaman. Drew Mollenhauer, Daryl Pearson, Jim Koppenhaver, Kelly DeVore, and Steve Kalmes were also in attendance.

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

Barner made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items; November 3, 2025, minutes and claims, seconded by Baych. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following reports were presented: Sheriff's Report – the council was glad to see some traffic stops, even if they are only warnings. They were also concerned about how many stalking/harassment calls were made. Library Report - Kelly DeVore talked with the council about the new program at the library called VITA. This is a program that will help file taxes for people who have \$69,000 or less annual income. Residents will be able to come and get free tax help and get them filed. These are for simple taxes, not farm or business taxes. More information will go out in the monthly newsletter. The maintenance report and treasurer's report were reviewed. Monthly financials are still not available as the office is in between two billing systems, and the revenue is not transferring over correctly. The clerk's

Report was also reviewed. There were a few additions to the clerk report - the annual notice for the Lead & Copper went out to residents or businesses. There are more deadlines on the horizon that will need to be worked through. Wagaman also updated the council on an event that the Springville Wrestling Program is putting on for community health. They are doing their own Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning. This will be a 5K that is free to the public. They are just hoping to promote health in our community. Mayor and council had no comments.

Mayor Andersen invited citizens with input to speak. There being no public comments, Mayor Andersen moved to business.

Council person Davis read the oath of office. She was newly elected to fill the seat of the vacancy. Her term is effective immediately. All others will start their term on January 1, 2026.

Mayor Andersen opened the public hearing to consider the sale of real property and conveyance of real estate interest for the IDOT overpass project at 6:28 p.m. Mayor explained that this property is being sold to the IDOT for the overpass project. There really is not any option to deny the sale. The only fight that can be made is the purchase price. The city has appraisal reports for the property that the IDOT is purchasing. There were no public comments for or against the sale of property. The office had no correspondence. Baych made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:31 p.m., seconded by Davis. RCV: AYES: Barner, Kilburg, Baych, Davis, Blakely. NAYS: None. **PUBLIC HEARING closed.** Kilburg made a motion to approve Resolution 46-2025 to sell real property and conveyance of real estate interest to the IDOT, seconded by Barner. RCV: AYES: Blakely, Barner, Davis, Baych, Kilburg. NAYS: None. **RESOLUTION 46-2025 adopted.**

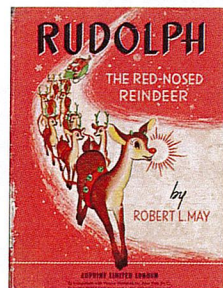
Mayor Andersen talked with the council about appointing a new law firm since Mark Parmenter is retiring December 31, 2025. Mayor Andersen, Baych, Davis and Wagaman met with Holly Corkery and Maddie Huntzinger with Lynch Dallas. Davis explained that she was impressed with this law firm because they are young and have lawyers that specialize in so many areas. They are also the largest municipal law firm. Barner made a motion to approve Resolution 47-2025 appointing Lynch Dallas Legal as Assistant City Attorney effective immediately, and as City Attorney effective January 1, 2026, and to approve contract with Lynch Dallas Legal, seconded by Davis. RCV: AYES: Barner, Blakely, Kilburg, Baych, Davis. NAYS: None. **RESOLUTION 47-2025 adopted.**

Wagaman talked to the council/public through the timeline and the mis steps of approving the Cox Lake Park playground. She learned of the mistake when she had an open records request. As soon as the error was found, Iowa League of Cities and the city attorney were notified. They recommended putting it on an agenda and it could be discussed at the same time you were ready to decide on the funding source. Pearson shared his concern with Wagaman's Agenda Statement verbiage about the timing of getting it on the agenda, so it wasn't used during the election. Baych made a motion to approve the purchase of the Cox Lake playground, seconded by Barner. All ayes. Motion carried. The council discussed the funding source, and they liked having the funding come from LOST funds. Baych felt that the residents could see that their Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) is being used as intended. Barner made a motion to approve Resolution 48-2025 to use LOST funds to pay for the playground equipment, with the exception if donations are received, they will be used to pay LOST back, seconded by Davis. RCV: AYES: Kilburg, Baych, Blakely, Barner, Davis. NAYS: None. **RESOLUTION 48-2025 adopted.**

Baych made a motion to approve Resolution 49-2025 to close the streets on November 29, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for the Parade of Lights, seconded by Kilburg. RCV: AYES: Blakely, Baych, Kilburg, Davis, Barner. NAYS: None. **RESOLUTION 49-2025 adopted.**

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, December 1, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. City Hall.

There being no further discussion, Barner moved to adjourn at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Baych. All ayes. Motion carried.



In 1939, Robert L. May was asked to come up with a story for the popular department store Montgomery Ward's annual Christmas giveaway book. Rudolph the Red-nose Reindeer was born! Over 2.5 million copies were distributed that year.



Springville American Legion is hosting a blood drive
Dec 22nd from 4:00 pm - 6:15 pm. Visit
www.bloodcenter.org to sign up!

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Please watch for snow emergencies. The City will get it on KCRG, KGAN and Facebook. These snow emergencies are intended to get all vehicles off the city streets so the snow plows can get the roads cleared of snow quickly.



CITY NEWS BRIEFS

- City Hall will be closed December 24th, 25th and closing at noon on the 31st.
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