

CITY OF SPRINGVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 1, 2022

WORKSHOP:

The City Council of the City of Springville met in a workshop session on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at Springville City Hall. Mayor Dave Thomas presided and City Clerk Lynn Porter served as recording secretary.

Those members answering present to roll call were as follow:

District 1	Councilmember Herbert Toles
District 2	Councilmember David Vinson
District 3	Councilmember Wayne Tucker
District 4	Councilmember Katrina Hennings (arrived 5:35)
District 5	Councilmember Tim Walker
District 6	Councilmember Marshall Parker
District 7	Councilmember Sherry Reaves
Mayor	Dave Thomas

Absent: None

Others present in official capacity: Attorney James Hill

Councilmember Toles stated the new manager at EcoSouth will be at our next meeting to discuss the trash pickup issue.

Public Works Director Earl Peoples stated a flyer will go out with the water bills this week reminding the citizens of the size limitations on brush placed at the curb.

Councilmember Walker stated he felt we need to get everything cleaned up and start over.

Councilmember Hennings arrived.

Councilmember Parker stated he did not think we should leave here tonight without addressing this. We need to get it picked up and turn it over to legal.

Mr. Peoples stated he has talked to the new manager and he did not get the idea that they were planning to purchase a truck to pick up brush.

Mayor Thomas agreed with Councilmember Parker that we need to get the city cleaned up.

Councilmember Tucker stated people are complaining about paying for pickup and think the city should pick it up.

Councilmember Toles stated he talked to a man who cuts trees and he said he can pick it up, but he will only take the brush, not the washing machines, carpet, glass, and other stuff.

Mr. Peoples stated we have one area at the entrance to a development that has become a dump with brush, washing machines, carpet, and all kinds of stuff piled out there.

Attorney Hill stated brush pickup is a problem all over. No one wants to pick it up.

Mr. Peoples stated the going rate for brush pick up is anywhere from \$10 to \$15 per house.

Mr. Toles stated he is telling people not to put brush out since it is not being picked up.

Councilmember Vinson asked could we get a cost on a one-time pickup?

Councilmember Parker stated we need to bite the bullet and get it done. The problem will only get worse the longer we wait.

Mayor Thomas asked Attorney Hill if the Council could authorize the Mayor to sign a contract for up to "X" dollars, so we can address this without losing another two to three weeks.

Councilmember Walker asked if there was a funding amount that we are willing to pay.

Attorney Hill pointed out that depending on the amount, we may get into bid law issues.

Councilmember Reaves stated last meeting a statement was made that there was \$70,000 left in the police salary budget over what was needed to fund current employees. This was not an accurate statement. The surplus in salaries for the first six months is less than \$14,000, and there is no surplus in benefits.

Councilmember Walker stated the police report we were given last month was good. He asked could we get a similar report for building. Asa Sargent stated he would take care of this.

Councilmember Parker asked about having a streetlight installed on Chickasaw Street.

Councilmember Reaves commented on the Nature Preserve Manager job description saying she was not sure we needed this position at this time, but due to the departure of the zoning director, those funds could be used to fund this position. The description now says this is a part of parks and recreation, and these expenses will be a part of the park budget.

Councilmember Vinson stated he agreed and he also felt it should be under park and recreation.

Councilmember Hennings stated there are streams that need to be rerouted in the parks, and possibly this employee can help us with that.

Fire Chief Harvey stated the memorial for our firefighter who died three years ago will be dedicated on June 17 at 8:00 a.m. Memorial bricks are available as a cost of \$100 for a 4" X 8", \$250 for an 8" X 8", and \$500 for a 12" X 12" brick.

Mayor Thomas stated he was not ready on his Planning Board appointment. Our attorney has pointed out that any approval for work on the property across the street is premature until we close on the property.

The workshop was concluded.

MEETING

The City Council of the City of Springville met in a regular session on Monday, May 2, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Springville City Hall. Mayor Dave Thomas presided and City Clerk Lynn Porter served as recording secretary.

Those members answering present to roll call were as follow:

District 1	Councilmember Herbert Toles
District 2	Councilmember David Vinson
District 3	Councilmember Wayne Tucker
District 4	Councilmember Katrina Hennings
District 5	Councilmember Tim Walker
District 6	Councilmember Marshall Parker
District 7	Councilmember Sherry Reaves
Mayor	Dave Thomas

Absent: None

Others present in official capacity: Attorney
Attorney Charlie Waldrep

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order. Reverend Mike Ennis was called upon to give the invocation, followed by the pledge to the flag.

The minutes of the April 18, 2022 meeting were presented for approval. A typographical error in the authorization to hire two police officers was made, as was the spelling of Councilmember Reaves name. Councilmember Tucker moved the minutes be approved as corrected, seconded by Councilmember Toles, and the motion carried.

The agenda was presented for approval. Councilmember Vinson moved the agenda be approved, seconded by Councilmember Tucker, and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Michael Castleberry of Smokehouse Burgers and BBQ was recognized and presented his plans for a Small Business Block Party event to be held at his restaurant. He stated this will introduce our local business owners to the public.

Mayor Thomas stated he appreciated what Mr. Castleberry is doing for the community.

Attorney Hill cautioned him to make sure parking is taken care of and police and fire are notified.

Mr. Castleberry stated he plans to talk to the chiropractor about using his parking lot since his office will not be open on this day.

Mr. Kerry Gossett, 95 Pine Street, stated we need a plan for brush pickup. He stated he has three piles that he can't get picked up.

Councilmember Tucker stated we discussed this at our workshop and hope we can get everything picked up.

Mr. Donald Toole, Davis Lake Fire Department, addressed the Council about the yard sale ordinance passed last year. He stated Volunteer Fire Departments are exempt from licenses and permits. He stated the fire district holds two to three yard sales each year that are their largest fund raisers. He objected to the fact there is no exemption for volunteer fire departments.

Councilmember Hennings pointed out there is no charge for a yard sale permit. This was put into place so that the signs get picked up.

Mr. Toole stated he did not feel the fire department should have to apply since they are exempt from permits.

Attorney Hill stated he would be happy to look into it. This was to help keep the city well maintained.

Mr. Toole stated they will ask to be de-annexed if this cannot be worked out.

Attorney Hill stated this ordinance was passed in 2014 and no one has been charged. The goal was to eliminate on-going yard sales and to keep the city free of signs.

Councilmember Toles stated we wanted to control those who have a yard sale every week. He stated he has never heard a complaint about Davis Lake.

Attorney Hill stated he is happy to look at this.

Councilmember Reaves moved we approve creating the position of Nature Preserve manager at pay grade 16, seconded by Councilmember Hennings, and the vote was unanimous.

Fire Chief Harvey asked could we discuss the cost for improvements on the property across the street. He stated he would like to give some indication to Mr. Beasley and Mr. Hughes as to whether the city would be interested in working out moving the dirt from one area to the other. This would help them and us.

Mayor Thomas stated we can make no decision until we own the property.

Councilmen Tucker asked about drainage for the project. We must have a swale or some method to get the water from the site to the inlet. Will this be a ditch? Will it be a slope?

Mr. Peoples stated Mr. Beasley is supposed to submit something to the city to show what he will do with the water on his site.

Fire Chief Harvey asked, if we owned it, would this seem like something we might be interested in. He stated the upper portion of Mr. Beasley's property will be used for boat and RV storage and will be accessed from Highway 11.

Mayor Thomas stated we could tell you that we are interested, but we cannot commit to anything until we own the property.

Councilmember Tucker stated Dr. McCleney has asked that we connect our parking lot to his parking lot

Councilmember Tucker moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilmember Parker, and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Porter
City Clerk