

CITY OF SPRINGVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JUNE 6, 2022

WORKSHOP:

The City Council of the City of Springville met in a workshop session on Monday, June 6, 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 5	Councilmember Tim Walker
District 6	Councilmember Marshall Parker
District 7	Councilmember Sherry Reaves
Mayor	Dave Thomas

Absent: District 4 Councilmember Katrina Hennings

Others present in official capacity: Attorney Jim Hill

Park Director Rick Hopkins updated the Council on what is being done in the sports complex. He showed drone footage of the new multi-purpose fields and new walking paths. Future plans include lighting for these fields and a sidewalk connection with the shopping center parking lot and paving the parking lot. Mr. Hopkins stated we have spent about \$30,000 on this project to date for approximately \$200,000 worth of work due to donated work and materials.

He announced our new nature preserve manager Doug Morrison will start on July 1. Budget funds remaining in the former Planning and Zoning department budget will be used to fund this position.

Councilman Vinson stated we had three good candidates. Doug has a passion for this preserve and has served on our park board.

Mr. Hopkins stated the entrance sign was funded by a grant in 2018. Macnalley Land Design is preparing the design and will later design the signage throughout the preserve. We have hit some sensitive areas in our trail layout that will require some shifting to get out of these areas. Mr. Morrison stated this is to avoid some sensitive plants.

Councilmember Walker asked does this contract cover construction of the sign or just design and was told design.

Mayor Thomas stated citizens may contribute to Big Canoe Creek Partners Foundation.

Mayor Thomas stated we have received information about a one-time bonus payment for retirees in lieu of a cost-of-living increase authorized by the Legislature. If we choose to approve it, the cost would be \$8,068.

City Clerk Lynn Porter stated City Attorney James Hill send a draft procurement policy late this afternoon. This policy is a grant requirement for a grant Chief Harvey is preparing for the police department. She pointed out that some of the language is different than the current policy established by the Council several months ago. We will either need to change how we do things or amend the resolution to reflect our practice. The Council indicated that they were comfortable with our current practices.

The workshop was concluded.

MEETING

The City Council of the City of Springville met in a regular session on Monday, June 6, 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
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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 May 16, 2022 regular meeting and the May 20, 2022 special meeting were presented for approval. Councilmember Toles moved they be approved, seconded by Councilmember Reaves, and the motion carried.

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

Chief Walton recognized Officer Steve Wilson and Sgt. Maggie Milazzo for their recent actions in response to a suicidal individual,

Councilmember Reaves moved we hire Doug Morrison as Nature Preserve Manager, seconded by Councilmember Tucker, and the motion carried.

Councilmember Vinson moved the contract with Macnalley Land Design for design of the entrance sign be approved at a cost of \$5,200, seconded by Councilmember Reaves, and the vote was unanimous.

Public Works Director Earl Peoples stated we started a sewer rehab project in 2019. The estimated cost of the four phases of this project was \$2 million. We recently bid phase one with a low bid of \$1.5 million. The high bid was over \$3 million. Our engineer has recommended these bids be rejected due to costs. Unfortunately, we cannot just say we will not do the project. This is something that must be done to stay within ADEM guidelines.

Attorney Jim Hill stated ADEM money is available from ARPA funds.

Mr. Peoples stated we have applied for \$10 million of this funding for this project and a sewer plant. We had applied for a \$1.5 million EDA grant last year that was not approved.

Councilmember Parker moved the phase one sewer bids be rejected, seconded by Councilmember Tucker and the motion carried.

To close out and received reimbursement for our Land and Water Conservation Grant, they are requiring that a clause be added to the park deed that the land will be restricted to park uses. We are expecting a \$175,000 reimbursement on this project. Councilmember Reaves moved this amendment be made to the deed, seconded by Councilmember Toles, and the motion carried.

Councilmember Vinson stated the developers of MacDonald Farm and Sweetwater have allowed areas to become overgrown. He stated he has received many complaints, and we need to take action to abate these nuisances.

Zoning clerk Stefanie O'Donnell stated the properties have been posted after a formal complaint made on May 16 in McDonald Farm. We did not have a formal complaint in Sweetwater until last week. Certified letters were sent, and we have talked with the developer in MacDonald Farm.

Councilmember Walker asked was there anything we can do other than take the property through a tax lien? He said we do not want to acquire these detention pond areas and assume maintenance.

Attorney Hill stated he would research this but felt sure we can place a lien.

Mayor Thomas asked if this created any type of city liability and was told the city has a right to abate a public nuisance.

Mayor Thomas stated our memorial dedication for a firefighter will be done on Thursday, June 16 at 9:00 a.m. He announced Court Clerk Lauri Jones has announced her retirement on September 1. He thanked her for her years of dedication to Springville. He announced Springville Night Out on June 18 from noon till 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Thomas stated debris collection is not yet caught up. We need a plan.

Mr. Joe Burrell, CEO EchoSouth stated they are increasing the frequency of pickup to one per week at the prescribed rate of two cubic yards per household. This excludes appliances. What is left are spots that have become dumping areas. Some places have entire trees on the curb. He proposed the use of a roll off truck and asked the city to post "No Dumping" signs. They will clean this up one time. They will support and sponsor a clean up once or twice a year, placing a roll off at a location selected by the city. Once cleaned up, debris will be picked up with the garbage on the specified day.

Councilmember Parker stated some small piles have been there for months.

Councilmember Toles stated there have been mattresses out in his area since before this contract.

Councilmember Tucker stated there have been brush piles in his yard for months that have grown from garden cart size to now approximately ten yards. Some of the debris now, was not generated by him and his wife, but has been added by others.

Mr. Burrell stated we have a new manager. Formerly there has been a lack of management. We are working to get things cleaned up. He asked if they could coordinate with the city to identify problem areas, and for assistance in loading debris from the dump areas.

Mayor Thomas asked a time frame and Councilmember Reaves asked can it be done in two weeks.

Mr. Burrell stated he would give Kevin the resources to get this done.

Mr. Kerry Gossett, 95 Pine Street, stated he has had a large pile since January. No one told him about the size of materials. Formerly everything has been picked up.

Mayor Thomas stated items that do not meet the size requirements will be tagged and the homeowner will be responsible for removal. We will take care of what is out there.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Porter
City Clerk