

CITY OF SPRINGVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 17, 2023

WORKSHOP:

The City Council of the City of Springville met in a workshop session on Monday, April 17, 2023 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 follows:

District 1	Councilmember Herbert Toles
District 2	Councilmember David Vinson
District 3	Councilmember Austin Phillips
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 Jim Hill

Park and Recreation Director Rick Hopkins requested support for an application for a Coosa Valley Resource Conservation and Development Grant for our Farmer's Market. He stated he would like to open this again. This is a reimbursement grant from \$5,000 to \$10,000, so the City would have to expend the funds and then be reimbursed.

Mayor Thomas asked did he plan to reopen the Farmer's Market with or without the grant and was told yes.

Councilmember Reaves asked if there was a difference in the current location and Big Springs Park where it was moved and was told that parking is a problem at the Farmer's Market location, but there are plans to add parking.

Mr. Hopkins stated over the weekend three vehicles were broken into at the ballpark on Camp Road. It happened at Big Springs Park a month ago. He stated he spoke to one company that quoted more than \$21,000 and to Asa Sargent about installing additional cameras. Asa is willing to do the installation after hours or on weekends so that it does not affect his workload, but this would require overtime as we cannot contract with a city employee. This involves both electrical work and IT work, that Asa is qualified to perform. This would require up to twenty

hours outside of regular hours. He stated he has six cameras and will need four more for a total of ten to be installed.

Fire Chief Richard Harvey stated someone unplugged the dehumidifier at the VFW shelter, and mold has grown. All Pro Fire has given us a quote to decontaminate and detail clean the facility for \$500.00. The shelter has been decommissioned until this work can be done.

Councilmember Toles stated he was told we have sold a fire truck. He stated he felt we need to put this money into an account to go toward the purchase of the fire truck that has been ordered.

Councilmember Phillips stated the Springville Fire Calls for Service report gives most of the information the Council requested, but we would also like to know the manpower and how long they are out of service on these calls.

Attorney James Hill pointed out the new ambulance contract expressly states that Springville does not plan to enter into private ambulance service.

Councilmember Walker asked are we going to register as ALS or BLS, and was told we are already licensed for most of that as non-transport. We will need oxygen and a suction unit. We will have to license as ALS.

Councilmember Reaves asked Chief Harvey if we will provide an ambulance for mutual aid, and was told only for us, Argo, and Davis Lake. He stated he has discussed with their Chiefs that we are not their backup plan. Chief Harvey stated waiting with a patient will not be an issue as we will only transport critical patients.

Councilmember Reaves asked if he has personnel day and night to do this, and Chief Harvey responded that we will not leave the city unprotected. We can invoke mutual aid.

Councilmember Reaves asked if they could provide a call list each month and was told yes. She asked fellow council members to please call our County Commissioners to ask them to address this problem.

Chief Harvey stated this is not a permanent fix.

Attorney Hill stated the lease is for twelve months, but the city can be released from its terms with thirty days' notice.

No further business coming before the body the workshop meeting was concluded.

## MEETING

The City Council of the City of Springville met in a regular session on Monday, April 17, 2023 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 Austin Phillips
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 James Hill

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 3, 2023 meeting were presented for approval. Councilmember Reaves moved they be approved, seconded by Councilmember Toles, and the motion carried.

The minutes of the special meeting held April 12, 2023 were presented. Councilmember Toles moved they be approved, seconded by Councilmember Vinson and the vote was unanimous.

The agenda was presented for approval. Approval for up to 20 hours of overtime for Asa Sargent to install cameras in the parks, to be paid from the parks salary budget was added. An item to approve application for the Coosa Valley RCD grant was added. Councilmember Vinson moved the agenda be approved as amended, seconded by Councilmember Reaves, and the vote was unanimous.

Ms. Glenda Tucker and Macki Brown, members of the Reeves Grove Historic Landmark Committee will hold a Veteran's appreciation event in May and asked for personal and financial support. This will include 125 veterans from Springville, Ashville, and Ragland, and will be held at a church in an unincorporated area between these communities. Discussion followed on the city's restrictions on participation in this type of event. Several members offered personal financial support.

The Avenu revenue collection contracts were presented. Attorney Hill recommended that Business Licenses be brought in house. The cost of State sales tax collection at 1.95% is comparable to Avenu's costs of 1.90%. There is no cost for auditing with the State.

Councilmember Parker moved these contracts not be renewed, seconded by Councilmember Walker, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Toles moved the amended ambulance resolution be approved, seconded by Councilmember Parker, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Reaves moved the mold remediation contract for the VFW shelter with All Pro Fire for \$500.00 be approved, seconded by Councilmember Toles and the vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Hennings moved approval be given to apply for the Coosa Valley RCD grant up to \$10,000, seconded by Councilmember Vinson, and the vote was unanimous.

Councilmember Reaves moved four additional cameras for the parks be purchased at a cost of approximately \$500, and up to twenty hours of overtime be approved for Asa Sargent to be paid from the park budget for installation, seconded by Councilmember Hennings, and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Thomas offered his congratulations to the Springville High School Tiger Band on their participation in the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D.C. He also asked the Council to think about what assistance the city might be able to extend to the Rock School building.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Porter  
City Clerk