



Village of Spring Lake

Council Work Session Minutes

September 10, 2018

7:00 p.m.

**102 West Savidge Street (Upstairs Conference Room)
Spring Lake, MI 49456**

President **Powers** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Seventh Amendment to Restated Contract & Wastewater Treatment & Collection System 2018 Improvements Contract

Council needs to approve the Seventh Amendment to the Restated Contract and the Wastewater Treatment & Collection System 2018 Improvements Contract (bonding) for the Sewer Authority for the Village to move forward on the sewer project. This item will be placed on the consent agenda for September 17, 2018.

2. Water Ordinance Amendment

Staff recommended two minor changes to the Water Ordinance to clarify who pays for repairs between the main and the structure. Council asked that this item be placed on the agenda for consideration at the October meeting.

3. Infrastructure Funding Options (Marv Hinga)

This is an ongoing discussion that Council will have until such time they have determined how to pay for extensive infrastructure needs within the Village.

4. Budget Amendments (Marv Hinga)

Prior to the work session, the Finance Committee reviewed proposed budget amendments and recommended the budget amendments be placed on the consent agenda on September 17, 2018.

5. You Make the Difference Award – Brian Grabinski

Back in February 2017 Village Manager **Burns** reached out to Brian Grabinski regarding the sign that hung on the front of Village Hall that was crafted by his father. It was in desperate need of some attention and it was important to be respectful of the original craftsmanship. Needless to say, Brian offered to restore the sign. It took 2 summers and lots of emails, but it finally happened. Brian and his mom delivered the sign to the Village a couple

of weeks ago. When asked for an invoice, Brian replied, "I can't accept payment for this. I was happy to do it." It would be appropriate to recognize Brian for his work and contribution to the Village.

6. Short-term Rental Ordinance

Attorney Ron Bultje has been working on a preliminary draft of a short-term rental (STR) ordinance for Council to review. Several members of the public offered their opinions regarding specific details on the proposed ordinance. Ron cautioned Council not to take a deep dive into the ordinance as that is the Planning Commission's purview. He recommended sending it to the PC for their review at which time they will hold public hearings and make a recommendation to Council.

7. Communications

- Complaint - Pickleball
- Letter – 110 W. Exchange
- Letter – 120 N. Lake
- Letter – 406 E. Savidge
- Letter – 510 River
- Library Calendar

8. Minutes

Minutes of the August 13, 2018 work session and August 20, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed with no recommended changes. Council placed this item on the consent agenda for September 17, 2018.

9. Public Comment

Marianne Martinus & Robert Mersereau spoke to Council regarding short-term rentals.

Darcy Dye shared that the Green Home Institute at the US Green Build Council was working locally with architects and contractors to promote sustainable building and LEED certification and that Fire Chief Sipe has seen to it that our Fire Station was Silver LEED certified. Dye asked that as the Ordinances were worked on to be amended to match the new Master Plan, could wording be included to promote sustainability and LEED certification. Dye asked if there had thought on the infrastructure required for the intensive downtown development so that the roads did not have to

be dug up a second time. Dye shared that there would be a lecture at the library on September 18th promoting native planting.

10. Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mark Powers, Village President

Chris Burns, Village Manager