

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
October 15, 2014  
6:00 p.m.

Council: Mary Nedrow, Mayor  
Vice Mayor Susan Silva  
Councilmember Richard Davis  
Councilmember Robert MacKenzie

Not present: Phelps Wilkins

Staff: Town Manager Steve West  
Town Clerk Val Cordova  
Police Chief Mike Nuttall  
Community Services Dir. Sharon Pinckard  
Community Development Dir. Chris Chiesl

Legal Counsel: Timothy Shaffery

Public: Kim Hamblin CPO/Director of Boys & Girls Club, Isabel Rollins CDBG/NACOG and Kevin Burk

Mayor Nedrow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present. Ms. Kim Hamblin was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Participation: None

4. Manager, Council and Staff Reports:

Manager West reported on behalf of Public Works Director Tim Rasmussen updating the council on the progress of the water and sewer line installation on Mason Drive giving kudos for the fantastic job the crew is doing. They are adding fire hydrants and valves while they're working on the lines and looping the lines to keep water fresh. He also noted that we are currently working on the sewer line auguring and it's going well. There are two trucks, the large one being the vacuum and the smaller one with the camera. They first run the camera through the line, clean it and reinsert the camera. After it's completed we will have an inventory of the issues in the lines.

Mayor Nedrow on behalf of the Peterson and Penrod family thanked the crew for their courtesy to the residents on Mason Drive.

Chief Nuttall reported they acquired their new vehicle from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety but are still waiting on the decals. He's working on last year's grant closeouts and has applied for a grant from State Farm for children's education in the amount of \$31, 000. They would like to purchase robots from Robotronics for the emergency vehicles and will use them for educational purposes. He and Manager West attended a meeting for dispatch services with Apache County.

Manager West explained that the meeting went nowhere. He informed them that the Town is not going to pay six figures for dispatching. No one wants to come up with a figure on where to start. They are possibly looking at a tier system starting with a lower amount and raising it over the next five years. The

county has said that they are will to take half the total cost even thought they don't believe that half is their responsibility. The ambulance service wasn't figured in and they discussed setting an amount of fifteen to twenty thousand dollars for the fire districts to pay.

Community Services Director Sharon Pinckard gave an update on the activities at the senior center. She said they have someone at the center everyone explaining the new Medicare plans. She explained that they will be doing the Angel tree different this year and they are going to try to make gifts and crafts for them this year. The Senior Association is recruiting new officers for their new election in December. They have also seen an increased need for utility services in the past 30 days. She also reported that they are getting regular meat donations from the Hunter's for Hunger once a week and distribute the meat between themselves and the two other food banks.

Community Development Director Chris Chiesl reported that she and Manager West had conference calls with the people working on the Main Street TE grant. They also meet briefly with Arizona Commerce Authority and will be submitting the 2<sup>nd</sup> round application in January for \$250,000 for a jobs creation related project. They have a scheduled conference call with the University of Arizona that will be tied in the SW Natural Resource Center. The Planning & Zoning Commission has started reviewing and updating Title 16 Subdivisions updating applications.

Director Chiesl then introduced Isabel Rollins with NACOG who will address the CDBG projects for consideration.

5. CDBG Public Hearing: Discussion and action regarding going into a public hearing to take comments on items for consideration in the upcoming CDBG projects.

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to go into a public hearing to take comments on the CDBG projects.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Susie Silva
		Richard Davis
		Robert MacKenzie

Ms. Isabel Rollins gave a brief introduction explaining that she works with all the cities and towns in Arizona with their CDBG grants process. She gave an overview of the grant and said the purpose of tonight's hearing is to get project ideas. She explained that projects must meeting one of three national objectives, 1) benefit 51% of low to moderate income persons 2) aid in the prevention or eliminate slum and blight or 3) solve an urgent health hazard. She also noted that Congress has designated certain other classes as automatically meeting the criteria such as older adults (senior center projects) adults with severe disabilities, homeless persons, abused children, battered spouses, persons who are illiterate. Any project that would serve any of these groups would automatically quality for funding.

She noted that in the next few months there will be a second public hearing to rank the projects by January 31<sup>st</sup> and submit a letter of intent to the Department of Housing with the applications due by April. The grant award will be in the fall of next year. Ms. Rollins advised the council that any project they want to have considered has to be brought up in this public hearing. Ms. Rollins noted that the Town as a whole at 42% does not quality for low to moderate income which eliminates certain projects. She opened the floor for projects to be considered.

The following projects were suggested for consideration:

- ❖ Walk in freezer or projects at the senior center.
- ❖ ADA Restroom at the park behind town hall and ADA access to the park as a combined project.
- ❖ Double chip seal on Garcia Street under slum and blight designation.

Ms. Rollins explained that we would either have to do an income survey around that area or create a redevelopment (slum/blight) area and show that there is infrastructure that's in bad shape. Have a public hearing and send out letters to the residents and pass a resolution and this could quality this area.

- ❖ ADA openers for town hall and the airport and the senior center
- ❖ ADA safety walkway from Navopache Electric on the east side Papago Street to the senior center
- ❖ With that project we would like to include a retaining wall for potential flood mitigation at the senior housing.

Vice Mayor Silva inquired about putting in an ADA bathroom in the town hall.

Ms. Rollins explained that unless there is an existing restroom it wouldn't qualify as an ADA project.

Director Pinckard suggested basis counseling for the seniors be added to the list.

- ❖ Counseling for the seniors.

Ms. Rollins said this would be an eligible project but the condition that goes with this type of project. It would either have to be a new project or be paying for increasing an existing counseling. They would fund the program for a year but the Town would have to fund it for another year.

There would no other project suggestions.

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to adjourn the public hearing and reconvene the regular meeting.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Susie Silva
		Richard Davis
		Robert MacKenzie

#### 6. Consent Items:

- a. Consider approval and ratification of the accounts payable for the month of September, 2014.

Richard Davis/Robert MacKenzie motion to adopt consent item 5a as presented.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Susie Silva
		Richard Davis
		Robert MacKenzie

#### 7. Old Business:       None

8. Boys & Girls Club Update: Hear an update from Kim Hamblin CPO/Director of the Boys & Girls Club.

Boys & Girls Club Director Kim Hamblin addressed the council giving an update on the membership increase and added activities since her last report. Ms. Hamblin distributed the monthly newsletter and talked about some of the activities over the summer including the success of the mentoring program. She said they added a new gymnastic and tumbling program, and will be adding a basketball program which she feels will also increase their numbers.

Ms. Hamblin thanked the council for the Town's support saying that none of this would be possible without it. She invited everyone to stop by the Club and they would have a youth guide and walk them around that tell them about the club.

9. Resolution 2014-R012. Discussion and action regarding adopting Resolution 2014-R012 adopting the 2015-2025 Town of Springerville General Plan.

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R012 adopting the 2015-2025 General Plan for the Town of Springerville.

Discussion:

Councilmember MacKenzie told Chris that she did an excellent job with the General Plan.

Manager West also gave Chris kudos's for the excellent job of pulling the general plan together.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow Susie Silva Richard Davis Robert MacKenzie
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10. Resolution 2014-R013 Discussion and action regarding adopting Resolution 2014-R013 declaring October 19-25, 2014, Arizona Cities & Towns Week.

Richard Davis/Robert MacKenzie motion to adopt Resolution 2014-R015 declaring October 19-25, 2014 Arizona Cities & Towns Week.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow Susie Silva Richard Davis Robert MacKenzie
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11. USDA/RBEG: Discussion and action regarding final approval of the SW Natural Resource Training Feasibility Study.

Robert MacKenzie/Richard Davis motion to approve the SW Natural Resource training Feasibility Study.

Discussion: None

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow Susie Silva Richard Davis Robert MacKenzie
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Manager West noted there's a lot of good information in the feasibility study. He said this is another document that Chris has been working on for a long time and if we can get some of these resources and phase them in it would be a great facility. This includes the wildlife rescue and veterinary training center, agriculture and fire training and dispatch center among other things.

12. Adjournment:

Mary Nedrow/Richard Davis motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Mary Nedrow
		Susie Silva
		Richard Davis
		Robert MacKenzie

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Mary Nedrow, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

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Town Clerk