

**AGENDA**  
**SPRINGFIELD CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday, April 1, 2008  
7:00 p.m.  
Springfield City Hall  
170 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

*(A copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Laws  
is posted in the entry to the meeting room.)*

**ROUTINE BUSINESS**

- ?? Pledge of Allegiance
- ?? Announcement on Open Meetings Act
- ?? Roll call

**REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Approve Minutes of the March 18, 2008 Council Meeting
2. Approve Treasurer's Report
3. Approve Claims & Payroll
4. Department Reports
5. **Tabled March 4, 2008.** Discuss possible annexation of SID 211 – John Trecek, City Fiscal Agent with Ameritas Investment Corp.; Chris Curzon, SID 211 Attorney; John Winter, SID 211 Accountant; Sherry Nolte, SID 211 Member
6. Discuss the substantial completion status of the Park Drive Project and decide whether or not to accept the project in its current state and proceed accordingly
7. Approve **Resolution 2008-8** to set the hearing date for special assessments on the Park Drive Project – John Trecek, City Fiscal Agent with Ameritas Investment Corp.
8. Discuss the financing of and decide how to pay for the Park Drive Project
9. **Tabled March 18, 2008.** Review new estimate from Odeys Inc. for City Park ball field improvements and determine how to proceed. Approve the Agreement between the City of Springfield, SYAA and Odeys Inc. for City Park ball field improvements and approve **Resolution 2008-5** – Mike Kalin, Treasurer of the SYAA
10. Discuss raising money to build an addition onto the Springfield Library – Dorothy Foged, President of the Springfield Library Foundation, and Connie Manzer, Library Director
11. Discuss discrepancies with new sewer rate calculations for apartment buildings – David Kildow
12. **Tabled March 18, 2008.** Discuss the water bill issue for the Springfield Car Wash

13. Approve the Scope of Services Agreement with JEO Consulting Group for professional services rendered towards the Downtown Master Plan and approve **Resolution 2008-9**
14. Approve the Entry and Testing Agreement with Alltel and approve **Resolution 2008-10**
15. **Tabled March 18, 2008.** Discuss whether or not to purchase or rent a portable generator
16. Discuss progress at the Springfield Creek Trails and Recreation Area/New Park and lighting the flagpole
17. Discuss the Local Government Miscellaneous Expenditure Act and establish a uniform policy
18. **Tabled March 18, 2008.** Discuss proposed agreement terms between the City of Springfield and the Sarpy County Agricultural Society regarding the Sarpy County Fairgrounds Lease
19. Allen “Louie” Post – Annual Review and Proposed Merit Increase
20. Executive Session
21. Executive Session Action
22. Motion to Adjourn

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall on April 1, 2008. Present were Mayor Dorothy Richards; Council Members: Eric Hayes, Sandie Shotkoski, Diane Sullivan, Roy Swenson. Absent: None. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting in three public places, one of the designated methods of giving notice. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to the Mayor and all Council Members and a copy of their receipt of notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. The Mayor publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

Agenda Item 1. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Shotkoski, to approve the Minutes of the March 18, 2008, regular Council Meeting. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

The City Clerk reported a balance on hand of \$463,272.76 in cash assets; Prestige Treasury - \$252,009.38; Prestige Keno Lottery - \$132,755.17; Prestige Keno Progressive Jackpot - \$50,269.54; Water Deposit Savings - \$4,120.64; Refundable Deposits Savings - \$1,184.02; Water Tower Savings - \$72,688.72; Prestige Water Bond - \$159,105.05; Sewer Restricted - \$49,141.17; Money Market Library Bricks - \$6,788.32; Government Securities – \$166,813.06; Time Certificates as follows: Bond - \$70,640.13; Tower - \$52,854.49; Water - \$113,043.33; Park - \$11,339.29; Library Bricks - \$19,572.04.

Agenda Item 2. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Swenson, to accept the Treasurer’s Report. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 3. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Shotkoski, to approve claims due and payable as presented. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

<b>Line Description</b>	<b>Debit Amount</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>General</b>		
Supplies	8.03	Hometown Market
Prof Svcs-Engineer	1,102.50	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.
Prof Svcs-Planning	3,500.00	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.
Lodging	57.64	Kathleen Fauver
Mileage	178.77	Kathleen Fauver
Laundry	51.00	Walkers Uniform Rental
Chemicals	59.97	Menards
Electricity	496.98	OPPD
Prof Svcs-Building Inspector	166.50	Sarpy County Building Inspector
Animal Control	309.56	Sarpy County Fiscal Administrator
Law Contract	5,152.31	Sarpy County Treasurer
Prof Svcs-Legal	2,160.73	Seidler & Seidler, P.C.
R&M Bldg	19.78	Stander & Stander Ace Hardware
Supplies	51.48	Stander & Stander Ace Hardware
Publication Costs	136.49	Suburban Newspapers, Inc.
Health Insurance	273.95	Time Insurance Company
Office Equip	153.97	US Bank
Telephone	94.33	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,973.99</b>	
<b>Library</b>		
Chemicals	59.97	Menards
Natural Gas	139.93	Metropolitan Utilities District
Electricity	186.02	OPPD
Health Insurance	477.60	Time Insurance Company
IP Address	9.99	Charter Communications
Janitorial	140.00	Marcie Schmieder
R&M Building	489.80	Omaha Door & Window Company
Telephone	32.08	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,535.39</b>	
<b>Library Restricted</b>		
Books/Videos/Maps	9.99	Doubleday Book Club
Prof Svcs-Tech Support	709.00	Follett Software Company
Books/Videos/Maps	67.61	GE Money Bank/Amazon
Subscriptions	19.95	Home Companion
Library Supplies	46.10	Hometown Market
Books/Videos/Maps	12.81	Mystery Guild
Library Supplies	249.65	Nancy Davis
Books/Videos/Maps	46.61	Thomson Gale
Library Supplies	52.30	Upstart
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,214.02</b>	
<b>Park</b>		
Waste Disposal	40.67	Papillion Sanitation
Fuel	70.87	Conoco
Supplies	57.74	Menards
Chemicals	179.90	Menards
Electricity	120.84	OPPD
<b>Total</b>	<b>470.02</b>	
<b>Comm Bldg</b>		
Waste Disposal	40.67	Papillion Sanitation

Supplies	10.23	Hometown Market
Laundry	38.60	Walkers Uniform Rental
Chemicals	59.96	Menards
Natural Gas	454.36	Metropolitan Utilities District
Electricity	127.65	OPPD
Supplies	102.96	Stander & Stander Ace Hardware
<b>Total</b>	<b>834.43</b>	
<b>Water</b>		
Testing	58.00	NEPublic Health Environmental Lab
Fuel	138.11	Conoco
Digger's Hotline	3.68	Great Plains One-Call Service, Inc.
Prof Svcs-Engineer	1,005.00	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.
Uniform Allowance	37.60	Walkers Uniform Rental
Meter Upgrades	10,555.08	Municipal Supply
Electricity	806.57	OPPD
Supplies	71.80	Stander & Stander Ace Hardware
Health Insurance	754.17	Time Insurance Company
Supplies	71.97	USA BlueBook
Telephone	125.74	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,627.72</b>	
<b>Sewer</b>		
Fuel	138.11	Conoco
Supplies	1.19	Conoco
R&M Equip	172.84	Inland Truck Parts & Service
Supplies	530.80	ITT
Prof Svcs-Engineer	1,700.00	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.
Uniform Allowance	37.60	Walkers Uniform Rental
Testing	38.90	Midwest Laboratories
R&M Equip	77.95	Mill Creek Auto Parts
Electricity	1,762.10	OPPD
R&M Equip	49.09	Precision Industries
Sewer Study	344.23	Sarpy County Treasurer
Health Insurance	1,730.24	Time Insurance Company
R&M Vehicle	330.00	Ty's Outdoor Power & Service
Supplies	71.97	USA BlueBook
R&M Equip	691.32	Utilities Service Group
R&M Equip	30.10	Utility Equipment Company
Telephone	48.46	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,754.90</b>	
<b>Street</b>		
Asphalt & Concrete	657.00	Asphalt & Concrete Materials Co.
R&M Vehicle	15.00	B & B Garage
R&M Equip	5.00	B & B Garage
Tools & Misc Equip	1,015.53	Barco Municipal Products, Inc.
Supplies-Safety/Medical	119.40	Big State Industrial Supply
Fuel	224.97	Conoco
Supplies	11.50	Fastenal Company
R&M Vehicle	421.68	Lutz Repair Services
Uniform Allowance	37.60	Walkers Uniform Rental
Supplies	33.11	Menards
Natural Gas	300.59	Metropolitan Utilities District
Electricity	2,461.43	OPPD

Supplies	94.54	Stander & Stander Ace Hardware
Publication Costs	8.74	Suburban Newspapers, Inc.
Health Insurance	933.16	Time Insurance Company
Sand & Gravel	1,453.77	Westover Rock & Sand, Inc.
Fuel	55.63	Fleet Services/Sinclair
Telephone	47.74	Nebraska Technology & Telecommunication
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,896.39</b>	
<b>Payroll</b>	<b>17,850.76</b>	

Agenda Item 4. Hayes requested that city employees check to make sure that all of the lights shining on the flag at Buffalo Park are working. Shotkoski reported that city employee, Larry Nolte, will be disposing of the old and rusty playground equipment currently being stored at the wastewater treatment plant. No Department Report from Sullivan. No Department Report from Swenson.

Agenda Item 5. John Trecek, City Fiscal Agent with Ameritas Investment Corp., reviewed his report analysis of SID 211. He noted that this report was prepared prior to the receipt of April property taxes. He pointed out that the SID had issued more warrants in the past year than the previous year in order to make some major street repairs. The warrants issued were about \$13,000. Current valuations and bonded indebtedness for both the city and SID were reviewed. Trecek reported that if SID 211 was annexed the additional money received from highway allocation would cover normal and routine maintenance. He also noted that water revenues were anticipated to decrease by \$8,500. Trecek estimated that annexation would decrease the total levy by \$0.051176, which would subsequently result in a slight decrease in property taxes. He noted that the SID currently has a substantial amount of money in their bond fund, which should be used to help pay for the bonds. John Winter, SID 211 Accountant, provided the Council with the current projected net cash and tax receipts. Motion by Hayes, seconded by Shotkoski, to start annexation proceedings for SID 211. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 6. Council discussed the potential outcomes of accepting the substantial completion status of Street Improvement District No. 2007-1, Sanitary Sewer Extension District No. 2007-1 and Water Extension District 2007-1 and proceeding accordingly. On January 25, 2008, the City received a letter from Olsson Associates certifying that the project reached substantial completion on January 14, 2008. Before final completion can be reached, seeding at the site still needs to be completed. The City withheld payment from L. G. Roloff Construction for the cost of seeding the site. Seidler reviewed the positives and negatives of accepting the project as substantially complete. He noted that if the City accepts the project status as substantially complete and proceeds with levying the special assessments, and the seeding ends up costing more than what was withheld from payment, the City would be liable for the extra cost and not be able to assess the additional amount to the property owner. Randy Sump reported that MUD has not put in their gas lines yet, but plans to do so in about two weeks. He said that seeding should wait until MUD is finished, so as not to tear up newly planted seed. He also noted that Charter Communications still needs to run their lines, but he suggested not waiting for them to do so because they did not know when they would run their lines. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Hayes, to accept Olsson Associates' certification of substantial completion dated January 14, 2008, for Street Improvement District No. 2007-1, Sanitary Sewer Extension District No. 2007-1 and Water Extension District 2007-1. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 7. Sump commented that he did not agree with the preliminary overhead cost figures. He requested that the numbers be discussed prior to the hearing date. Trecek noted that the City and Sump should attempt to agree on the numbers prior to the hearing. He said that if they cannot agree on the figures by the hearing date then the City Council sitting as a Board of Equalization would render a final decision.

Kathleen Fauver, City Clerk, presented to the Council the final certificates of the special engineer on the completion of the construction of paving, sewer and water improvements within Street Improvement District No. 2007-1, Sanitary Sewer Extension District No. 2007-1 and Water Extension District 2007-1 of the City, showing the total costs of work and material furnished, which certificates have been filed in the Clerk's office.

After consideration thereof, Council Member Sullivan offered the following Resolution 2008-8 and moved its adoption. Council Member Shotkoski seconded the motion for its passage and adoption and after consideration thereof, the roll was called on the passage and adoption of said resolution and the following Council Members voted AYE: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. The following voted NAY: None. A majority of all members elected to the Council having voted in favor of the passage and adoption of said resolution, the same was by the City declared, passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

**RESOLUTION  
2008-8**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, NEBRASKA:

1. The Council shall meet at Springfield City Hall, 170 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, in said City on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of sitting as a Board of Equalization and levying special assessments on the lots and parcels of land abutting on or adjacent to the streets, avenues and alleys in connection with Street Improvement District No. 2007-1 and the lots and parcels of land adjacent to the streets, avenues and alleys in which mains have been placed in Sanitary Sewer Extension District No. 2007-1 and Water Extension District No. 2007-1. Notice of the time of holding such meeting and the purpose for which it is held shall be published in the Papillion Times, a legal newspaper published in Sarpy County and of general circulation in said City, at least four weeks (five consecutive weekly publications) before the date of said hearing or in lieu thereof personal service may be had on persons owning or occupying property to be assessed. All actions taken by the City Clerk with respect to the publication of such notice is hereby ratified. The Clerk is directed to cause said notice to be mailed to owners of property subject to assessment as provided by statute.

2. The special engineer is directed to prepare and file in the office of the Clerk prior to the first publication of the Notice of the said hearing on special assessments a map of the property benefited by the improvements constructed in connection with Street Improvement District No. 2007-1, Sanitary Sewer Extension District No. 2007-1 and Water Extension District No. 2007-1 and a tentative schedule of the assessments, which shall be open to the public.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2008.

Ayes \_\_\_\_\_

Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

SEAL

Attest:

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City Clerk

Agenda Item 8. Trecek indicated that discussing the financing for Street Improvement District No. 2007-1, Sanitary Sewer Extension District No. 2007-1 and Water Extension District 2007-1 was a little premature and that the City should wait until the special assessments were paid to discuss financing. Payment of special assessments would affect the amount borrowed. No action was taken. The Council will discuss this item at a future date.

Agenda Item 9. Mike Kalin, Treasurer of the SYAA, provided a new estimate in the sum of \$19,502.44 from Odeys Inc. for City Park ball field improvements. Kalin pointed out that Odeys waived the mobilization fee from the previous estimate, since they would be doing work at the elementary school ball field as well. Kalin noted that the new estimate was a firm bid and would not require any change orders. Motion by Shotkoski, seconded by Sullivan, to authorize Mayor Dorothy Richards, on behalf of the City of Springfield, to enter into an Agreement with the Springfield Youth Athletic Association (SYAA) and Odeys Inc. for City Park ball field improvements. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Council Member Sullivan introduced Resolution 2008-5 and moved its adoption.

**RESOLUTION  
2008-5**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield, Nebraska, a Municipal Corporation; Springfield Youth Athletic Association, a Nebraska Non-Profit Corporation; and Odeys, Inc., a construction contractor, wish to enter into an agreement for the purpose of resurfacing the baseball field at Springfield City Park; and

WHEREAS, Odeys, Inc. has submitted to the Springfield Youth Athletic Association estimate no. 2171, dated January 3, 2008, in the sum of \$19,502.44 for the cost of resurfacing the Springfield City Park baseball field; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Youth Athletic Association agrees to pay a portion of the cost associated with the resurfacing as defined in the agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Springfield, Nebraska that the Mayor is authorized to enter into the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Introduced and Passed April 1, 2008.

Ayes \_\_\_\_\_

Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Approved:

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

SEAL

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Council Member Shotkoski seconded the motion and upon roll call on the passage and adoption of said Resolution the following voted AYE: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. The following voted NAY: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared said Resolution passed and adopted.

Kalin also informed the Council that the SYAA would like to put up a new fence at the City Park ball field at the SYAA's cost. He said that they would like to put up a 6' chain link fence down each baseline for 50'. They are also researching putting up an outfield fence. The new fence would totally enclose the entire ball field. Two gates are planned as entrances for city lawn mowers. Kalin inquired as to the building permit process. Mayor Richards stated that since the improvements were on City owned property the SYAA would not need to obtain a building permit. She did request that drawings of the fence be provided for Council review. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Swenson, to approve the SYAA's installation of a 6' chain link fence down each baseline for 50' at the City Park ball field. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 10. Dorothy Foged, President of the Springfield Library Foundation, informed the Council that the Springfield Library Foundation plans to kickoff a fundraising campaign to generate money for a new addition to the Springfield Library. She said that their goal was to raise \$200,000 in the next five years. Connie Manzer, Springfield Library Director, reported that the new addition would provide a new computer area and a quiet reading area, expand the teen/children book section and add one staff desk. With a new addition, the library could also add a public area to allow people to make photocopies and use the laminator. Some of the Foundation's concerns with a new addition include the increase in employee wages, utilities and property insurance. The library department would subsequently need to request and receive adequate funds in the budget. Manzer also noted that an additional employee would need to be hired. Foged said that the addition would be put on the south side of the building with additional parking added to the east. The building was originally designed for the addition, including the utility stubs. Manzer reported that there has been an increase in the number of library visits and computer use in the last year. The circulation of books has also increased by 48% (February 2007-February 2008). Lynn Erhart, Library Board Member, asked if the library will gain or lose financially when SID 211 is annexed. Mayor Richards informed her that the library will lose the card fee from families outside of the city limits when SID 211 is annexed. Hayes suggested that the library prepare a list of SID 211 cardholders to determine how much fee revenue will decrease. Mayor Richards and Shirley Buskirk, Library Board Member, discussed the origination of the \$25 outside of city limits fee. Mayor Richards requested that all of the figures be provided for budget discussions in July.

Agenda Item 11. Council reviewed a worksheet prepared by David Kildow, which showed how the new sewer rates for apartment buildings were calculated and how the rates should have been calculated.

Fauver informed the Council that the new rates were calculated incorrectly and should be recalculated. Council agreed to recalculate the new sewer rates for apartment buildings.

Agenda Item 12. Sandie Shotkoski stated on the record that she has a personal interest in this agenda item and, therefore, was removed from the discussion. Swenson provided the Council with information from the City's water billing program on the Springfield Car Wash's account, as well as a worksheet he prepared showing usage. Swenson pointed out that from April 2007 to May 2007 there was an error in the meter reading. He also commented that he spoke with a customer service representative from Summit/DataTech, the water billing program company, regarding this matter. Swenson figured that the Springfield Car Wash was billed twice for 68,000 gallons of water and, therefore, should receive a credit on their account. The credit amount was determined by multiplying \$1.80 (cost per 1,000 gallons) by 68 (68,000 gallons of water). Motion by Swenson, seconded by Hayes, to give the Springfield Car Wash, 102 Main Street, water billing account number 1008002, a credit in the amount of \$122.40 for overcharged water bills. AYES: Hayes, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None. ABSTAIN: Shotkoski.

Agenda Item 13. Council reviewed the Downtown Master Plan Scope of Services Agreement with JEO Consulting Group, Inc. and discussed the financing and timing of the project. Swenson commented that he would like to visit some of the area downtowns that JEO has assisted in remodeling. Motion by Hayes, seconded by Swenson, to table agenda item 13 until the May 6, 2008, City Council meeting. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 14. Alltel has not provided a written response to the City regarding the Entry and Testing Agreement. Council agreed to leave this agenda item off of future agendas until Alltel provides further information.

Agenda Item 15. Council continued discussions on whether or not to purchase or rent a portable generator. Council agreed to obtain bids and agreement terms from area companies for the rental of a portable generator in case of an emergency or other need. Hayes estimated that the money budgeted for the purchase of a portable generator could be better used to purchase a new skid loader with attached jack hammer. This equipment could be used for street repairs and many other projects. Council requested that city employee, Larry Nolte, check into the cost and terms of rental agreements with area companies.

Agenda Item 16. Sullivan informed the Council that past Park Board members wanted to make sure that donated items for the new park, such as the benches, kiosk, millstone and flagpole, get placed in the new park. Mayor Richards suggested asking OPPD if they could put in lighting for the flagpole at the same time they put in new street lights on Platteview Road by the trailhead and Springfield Creek. Shirley Buskirk commented that the millstone had been stored in Jean Gottsch's old barn, but she was not sure whether or not it was still there since the property was sold to new owners. Hayes said that he would ask the new owners about the millstone. Council discussed running water lines down to the new park.

Agenda Item 17. Council discussed the Local Government Miscellaneous Expenditure Act and decided not to establish a uniform policy.

Agenda Item 18. Council reviewed a letter dated March 25, 2008, that Bill Seidler, City Attorney, received from Patrick Sullivan, Sarpy County Agricultural Society Attorney, in which the Sarpy County Agricultural Society proposed purchasing the fairgrounds property owned by the City for \$35,000. Shotkoski and D. Sullivan both commented that they did not agree with this transaction. Seidler pointed out that the City would need to follow land auction procedures in order to sell the property. Mayor Richards reported to the Council about the discussion she and Seidler had with Patrick Sullivan and a few members of the Ag Society at a meeting on March 25, prior to receipt of the letter. Mayor Richards commented that it was her understanding at the end of the meeting that Patrick Sullivan was going to draft

a new proposal for the City Council to review, which proposal was to include the trading of City owned property at the fairgrounds and at the maintenance shop for the entire lot to the west of the Community Building currently owned by the Ag Society. The terms were also going to include the Ag Society providing for the following: a lease option for the maintenance shop, an easement for the Springfield Trail, one-half of the cost of the walking bridge cross Springfield Creek after receiving funds from the NRD, and landscaping work. Larry Timm, Sarpy County Agricultural Society Vice-President, Scott Heitman, Sarpy County Agricultural Society Secretary, and Rich Jansen, Sarpy County Agricultural Society President, were present to discuss Sarpy County Agricultural Society opinions and ideas regarding agreement terms. Kevin Keyes, Springfield Rural Fire Protection District President, informed the Council of the fire department's desire to locate the new fire hall on the lot to the west of the Community Building. Timm commented that the Ag Society has received a bid from the fire department for the lot to the west of the Community Building, but the Ag Society has not approved it yet. Timm also noted that the Ag Society would like to see the new fire hall on that lot and that the location would provide them with good access. Mayor Richards stated that she did not want to see a fire hall on Main Street. Hayes said that he would agree to trade the lot to the west of the Community Building with the fire department for their current lot on the corner of Spruce and 1<sup>st</sup> Streets. Keyes noted that the fire hall would look presentable and he described the possible layout of the new building if it were to be built on the lot to the west of the Community Building. Discussed parking around the new fire hall. Keyes also commented that the fire department has already approved a builder, but they have put the project on hold tentatively until a final decision is made on where they can build. He said that the department is ready to go with their project and they would like to see it done as soon as possible.

Motion by Shotkoski, seconded by Swenson, to accept the following to resolve the Fair Board and City fairground property lease: City will give the Fair Board all pieces of property owned by the City that is located on the fairgrounds. The City will give the Fair Board the property owned by the City at 1<sup>st</sup> and Spruce Streets (present city maintenance shop). The Fair Board will give the City the property located at 1<sup>st</sup> and Main Streets (1<sup>st</sup> Street to Railroad Street and Main Street to Cedar Street). The terms to the agreement as follows: The City may occupy the 1<sup>st</sup> and Spruce Streets property for five years to relocate maintenance shop. The Fair Board is to remove and clean up the old sewer site equipment at 1<sup>st</sup> and Spruce Streets. The Fair Board may use the 1<sup>st</sup> and Main Streets property for parking purposes until the City has another use for the property. The Fair Board and City will split all costs connected with a walking bridge across the creek on the Main Street Bridge after receiving NRD assistance. The Fair Board is to allow the bike trail to cross their property to connect south to north end at no cost to the City. The Fair Board will do some landscaping along Main Street on the south and north side from the bridge to Railroad Street. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Prior to voting aye, Hayes wanted to know how the other Council members' felt about the fire department owning the lot next to the Community Building. Sullivan commented that she was in support of it. Mayor Richards wanted to make sure that if the fire department was built on that property that the City would have input on what type of building would be built. Hayes then asked the present members of the Sarpy County Agricultural Society if they would be okay with Shotkoski's motion. Timm stated that he thought the group would be supportive. Timm stressed that the Ag Society did not want to see the new fire hall built on the current property, but be built on the lot next to the Community Building.

Seidler is to prepare a draft of the newly proposed terms and provide it to Mayor Richards and the Council to review prior to submittal to the Ag Society's attorney. Jansen requested that the City provide the newly proposed agreement to the Ag Society by April 14 in order for the Ag Society to hold a special meeting to review the agreement.

Hayes requested that the fire department be placed on the April 15 agenda for land trade discussions.

Agenda Item 19. Motion by Swenson, seconded by Sullivan, to table agenda item 19 until Allen “Louie” Post returns to work from medical leave. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 20. There was no executive session.

Agenda Item 21. There was no executive session action.

Agenda Item 22. Motion by Swenson, seconded by Hayes, to adjourn. AYES: Hayes, Shotkoski, Sullivan, Swenson. NAYS: None. Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Springfield, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on April 1, 2008; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Kathleen R. Fauver  
City Clerk

(SEAL)