

AGENDA FOR COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 19, 2005
7:00 pm

1. Approve Minutes
2. Citizen Communication
3. Department Reports/CA Report
4. Proclamation – National Auctioneer’s Day, April 16, 2005
5. Proclamation – Municipal Clerks Week, May 1 through May 7, 2005
6. Library Plant Sale Street Banner – April 30, 2005
7. 265 N. 4th Street – Fire Department Burn, Waive Demolition Fees – Dave Kildow
8. Resolution 2005-5 Call Bonds – John Trecek
9. Ord. 673 - Issue Refunding Bonds – John Trecek
10. Council Volunteers for Clean-Up Day
11. Executive Session – Negotiation
12. Executive Session Action

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 o’clock PM at City Hall on April 19, 2005. Present were Mayor Larry Goldman; Council Members: Diane Sullivan, Eric Hayes, Greg Latham, Bruce Thayer. Absent: None. Notice of the Council meeting was given in advance by posting notice in three public places, one of the designated methods of giving notice. Notice of the 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. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Agenda Item 1. Motion by Thayer, seconded by Sullivan, the minutes of the April 5, 2005, regular Council Meeting be approved as presented. AYES: Latham, Sullivan, Thayer, Hayes. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 2. Shirley Buskirk, 305 S. 3rd, had questions and concerns on the open meeting laws as it pertains to the citizen communication agenda item, and whether Council was addressing previous concerns. Sandie Shotkoski, 485 S. 3rd, had questions and concerns on council statements made to the Omaha World Herald, and the continued employment of the current city administrator. Jane Jensen, 710 Main Street, had questions and concerns on the current fireworks ordinance and policies. JoAnn Dover, 480 Elm, had questions and concerns on utility usage costs. Glenn Adair, 385 Elm, had questions and concerns on finance practices, utility usage costs, and clarification of city administrator versus city manager form of government. Dorothy Richards, 360 Elm, offered financial clarification. Virginia Buskirk, 140 Elm, had questions and concerns on employment practices. JoAnn Latham, 285 N. 4th Street, had questions and concerns on utility usage costs. Carol Barnes, 487 Elm, had questions and concerns on snow removal. Mike Dill, 406 N. 3rd, had questions and concerns on employment practices.

Agenda Item 3. The City Administrator gave department reports.

Agenda Item 4. Goldman read the proclamation proclaiming April 16 as National Auctioneer's Day. Motion by Latham, seconded by Hayes, to approve the document proclaiming April 16 as National Auctioneer's Day. AYES: Thayer, Latham, Sullivan, Hayes. NAYS: None.

Randy Fleming, Great Plains Realty-Auction Company at 222 Main Street, presented Council a check for \$500 to be used toward a future "Welcome to Springfield" sign.

Agenda Item 5. Goldman read the proclamation proclaiming May 1 through May 7 as Municipal Clerks Week. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Hayes, to approve the document proclaiming May 1 through May 7 as Municipal Clerks Week. AYES: Thayer, Latham, Sullivan, Hayes. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 6. Motion by Thayer, seconded by Sullivan, to allow the Library to hang a Library Plant Sale Street Banner across Main Street using existing hanging brackets. AYES: Thayer, Latham, Sullivan, Hayes. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 7. Dave Kildow was present to request the waiving of demolition fees for 265 N. 4th Street. Motion by Thayer, seconded by Latham, to waive the demolition fees for 265 N. 4th Street. AYES: Thayer, Latham, Sullivan, Hayes. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 8. John Trecek, Ameritas Investments, explained that Ordinance 673 and Resolution 2005-5 would replace existing "Sanitary & Storm Sewer" bonds with refunding bonds by calling the outstanding bonds. This would result in a \$40,759 savings during the remaining life of the bonds. The maturity date would stay the same, and the City would have a 5-year option. Motion by Thayer, seconded by Latham, to approve Resolution 2005-5 calling certain sanitary and storm sewer bonds. AYES: Sullivan, Hayes, Latham, Thayer. NAYS: None.

Agenda Item 9. Councilman Latham introduced Ordinance No. 673.

Latham moved that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. Councilman Thayer seconded the motion to suspend the rules and upon roll call vote on the motion the following Council Members voted YEA: Thayer, Sullivan, Latham, Hayes. The following voted NAY: None. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three-fourths of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance.

Said ordinance was then read by title and thereafter Councilman Latham moved for final passage of the ordinance, which motion was seconded by Councilman Thayer. The Mayor then stated the question "Shall Ordinance No. 673 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members voted YEA: Hayes, Sullivan, Thayer, Latham. The following voted NAY: None. The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted and the Mayor in the presence of the Council signed and approved the ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto and ordered the Ordinance be published as provided therein. Said ordinance is entitled: An Ordinance authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds of the City of Springfield, Nebraska, in the principal amount of \$460,000; prescribing the form of said bonds; providing for a sinking fund and for the levy and collection of taxes to pay said bonds; providing for the sale of the bonds; authorizing the delivery of the bonds to the purchaser; providing for the disposition of the bond proceeds and ordering the ordinance published in pamphlet form. A true, correct and complete copy of said ordinances is available in pamphlet form in the Clerk's office.

Agenda Item 10. The council members volunteered to assist citizens during the May 14 Springfield Cleanup Day during the following time periods.

- 10 AM to 11 AM – Larry Goldman
- 11 AM to Noon – Diane Sullivan
- Noon to 1 PM – Eric Hayes
- 1 PM to 2 PM – Greg Latham
- 2 PM to 3 PM – Bruce Thayer

Agenda Item 11. Motion by Thayer, seconded by Latham, to enter executive session for the purpose of negotiation. AYES: Latham, Sullivan, Thayer, Hayes. NAYS: None. Entered at 8:40 PM. Session ended at 9:30 PM.

Agenda Item 12. There was no executive session action.

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Thayer, to adjourn. AYES: Thayer, Sullivan, Hayes, Latham. NAYS: None. Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTICE OF MEETING

The undersigned members of the governing body of the City of Springfield, Nebraska, hereby acknowledges receipt of advance notice of meeting and the agenda for such meeting held at 7:00 o'clock P.M. on April 19, 2005.

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