Village of Spring Grove – Village Board
Regular Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. President’s Report
4. Clerk’s Report
5. Engineering Report
6. Building Report
7. Public Works Report
8. Police Department Report
9. Committee Reports
   A. Safety Committee
      1. Approval of the February 14, 2017 Safety Committee Minutes
10. Public Discussion (Public discussion shall be limited to three minutes per speaker)
11. Consent Agenda (items listed on the Consent Agenda will be approved by a single vote of the
    Board unless a member of the Board requests that a separate vote be taken on any item)
   A. February 7, 2017 Village Board Regular Meeting Minutes
   B. February 7, 2017 Village Board Executive Session Meeting Minutes
   C. Ordinance approving an agreement for engineering services with HR Green, Inc.
12. Unfinished Business
13. New Business
   A. Discuss the temporary suspension of municipal donations and impact fees
   B. Discuss the proposed downtown parking lot
14. Closed Session – Section 2(c)(6) of the Open Meetings Act the setting of a price for sale of
    property owned by the village
15. Other Business
16. Adjournment

Posted: February 17, 2017 at 3:00 pm
MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF SPRING GROVE
FEBRUARY 21, 2017

Council Chambers, Spring Grove, Illinois, February 21, 2017; a Regular Meeting of the Village Board was held this date at 6:00 p.m., at the Municipal Centre, 7401 Meyer Road; President Eisenberg presiding.

Roll Call. Roll call showed the following Board members present: President Mark Eisenberg; Trustees Jeff Letzter, Pat Mazzanti, Bob McMahon, Lloyd Simonson and Randy Vinyard - 6. Absent: Trustee Jim Anhalt - 1. Also present for the Village were: Sandi Rusher, Village Clerk; Scott Puma, Village Attorney; Steve Bicking, Village Engineer; Tom Sanders, Chief of Police/Executive Assistant; Matt Wittum, Public Works Supervisor; Trent Turner, Building and Zoning Officer; and Sergeants Jason Hintz and Stanley St. Clair, Police Department.

President’s Report. No report.

Clerk’s Report. No report.

Engineering Report. It was clarified that the additional funding for the Winn Road Bike Path that was submitted last year was not approved but the funding for the paving that was recently submitted is pending approval.

Building and Zoning Report. No new residential home permits have been issued this month.

Public Works Report. An update on the department’s monthly activities was provided.

Police Department Report. No report.

Committee Reports.
Safety. Trustee Mazzanti reported the committee met to discuss police staffing levels and the police department budget.

Approval of the February 14, 2017 Safety Minutes. Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Simonson to approve the minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mazzanti and Simonson - 2. Nays: None. Absent: Anhalt – 1. Motion carried.

Public Discussion. President Eisenberg then opened the meeting up for discussion by the public.

Rich Seil, resident of Hunters Lane, questioned why the entrance to the Springdale Trails Park is closed off and when the cell tower that is to be located in the park to be built. It is because the park is closed for winter and construction on the cell tower is expected to begin this spring.
Paul Hain, resident of 9109 Carmel Court and acting Richmond Township Supervisor, introduced himself as a candidate for this position in April 2017.

Joe Lecinski, resident of 10808 Red Hawk Court, requested a reduction in the speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph in The Preserve subdivision because drivers are causing property damage due to the curvature of the road. He noted the offenders are residents of the neighborhood. It was explained the speed limit is set by state statute and an engineering study needs to be done to see if a reduction is warranted.

Rich Quinn, resident in the Forest Ridge Subdivision, stated his concerns mirror those of Mr. Lecinski except the offenders are not from the neighborhood but using the neighborhood as a short cut to avoid using Route 173.

Brendal Wicinski, resident of 9303 Elizabeth Lane, stated there are several homes in the Wilmot Farms subdivision that are experiencing issues with their wells causing some of them to put in new wells with depths over 900 ft. She questioned if this could be a result of the quarry operations in the area and if residents should be made aware of this issue. It was explained the man-made lakes on the Richardson Property are groundwater fed and are not the cause of the issue. The McHenry County Health Department, the governing agency, is aware of the issues and explained to staff that there are different aquifers that run through the area and there are multiple wells in Wilmot Farms that are deeper than others.

Vince Desecki, resident of 9006 Bentley Lane, has a good working well at the moment but is concerned how the well issues could negatively affect home values. He questioned if an environmental impact study was done when the mining began. A hydrogeology study was done and it was determined that there would be no impact on the wells in the area. As part of the IEPA permit, monitoring wells were installed and the village will request the results from them.

Bill Falat, resident of 702 Suzanne Court, had the same concerns as the others residents in the Wilmot Farms subdivision.


A. February 7, 2017 Village Board Regular Meeting Minutes
B. February 7, 2017 Village Board Executive Session Meeting Minutes
C. Ordinance approving an agreement for engineering services with HR Green, Inc.

Trustee Simonson moved, seconded by Trustee Mazzanti to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Ayes: Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon, Simonson and Vinyard – 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business. None
New Business.
Discuss the temporary suspension of municipal donations and impact fees. Twelve new home permits have been issued since the moratorium began in July 2015, a majority of which were built because of the moratorium. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to continue the moratorium as services have not been impacted as a result. President Eisenberg will share this with the impact fee recipients and inquire when the Village of Richmond’s moratorium expires.

Discuss the proposed downtown parking lot. The village purchased the property at 8009 Blivin Street and had the home torn down so that it can be used for a future parking lot for the downtown area. The 0.67 acre lot can accommodate 57 stalls including 3 handicapped spaces. The cost to develop the parking lot is estimated to be $241,000. The village has no intent of developing the land into a parking lot at this time and will inquire if the Stateline Comets is interested in moving the detached garage to Thelen Park for storage.

Closed Session – Section 2(c)(6) of the Open Meetings Act the setting of a price for sale of property owned by the village. Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Letzter to convene into closed session under Section 2(c)(6) of the Open Meetings Act for the discussion of the setting of a price for sale of property owned by the village. Roll call vote: Ayes: Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon, Simonson and Vinyard – 5. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board adjourned into closed session at 7:04 p.m.

Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Simonson to reconvene from closed session. Roll call vote: Ayes: Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon, Simonson and Vinyard – 5. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reconvened at 7:35 p.m. with all members present as the original roll call.

Other Business. A business is looking for 10 acres off of Route 12 for a transfer station and would pay to extend water to the property. After some discussion, the Board requested more information on the project.

There being no further business, Trustee Letzter moved, seconded by Trustee Vinyard to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Sandi Rusher, Village Clerk