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. Public Works Report
7. Police Department Report
8. Committee Reports
9. Public Discussion (Public discussion shall be limited to three minutes per speaker)
10. 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)
11. Unfinished Business
12. New Business
   A. November 7, 2017 Village Board Regular Meeting Minutes
   B. Consideration of a wall sign at 2450 Route 12 for Wild Crab Boil
   C. Consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Buildings, of the Village Code relative to the architectural review of accessory buildings or structures
13. Other Business
14. Adjournment

Posted: November 16, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE OF SPRING GROVE
NOVEMBER 21, 2017

Council Chambers, Spring Grove, Illinois, November 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 Jim Anhalt, Jeff Letzter, Pat Mazzanti, Bob McMahon and Lloyd Simonson - 6. Absent: Trustee Randy Vinyard - 1. Also present for the Village were: Tom Sanders, Chief of Police/Executive Assistant; Matt Wittum, Public Works Supervisor; Bob Walczak, Building and Zoning Officer; Sgt. Jason Hintz, Police Department; Mike Gajewski, Planning and Zoning Chairman; and Sandi Rusher, Village Clerk.

President’s Report. The Board’s input was sought on seeking grant opportunities for the revitalization of the downtown area. After some discussion, the Architectural Review Commission will prioritize items for the revitalization.

Clerk’s Report. The annual Tree Lighting Festival will be held on December 2.


Public Works Report. It was the consensus of the Board, at the recommendation of the Public Works Committee, to sell the back up 5-yard dump truck because the repairs could exceed its resale value and replace one of the two small truck salt spreaders that are not working. Supervisor Wittum was directed to get a price on the other salt spreader and work with the Public Works Committee to see if more than one is warranted.

Police Department Report. There were no questions asked of Chief Sanders.

Executive Assistant Sanders has sat in numerous meetings with potential businesses and once the need for a zoning hearing is mentioned people tend to get worried because of the time and expense involved. He suggested using a zoning hearing officer in lieu of the full commission for minor zoning issues to streamline the process. The Board voiced support for this process noting criteria needs to be established to determine when a zoning hearing officer would be permissible. PZC Chairman Gajewski also supported the streamlined process and establishment of criteria but expressed concern with bypassing the public’s input. Trustees Letzter and Mazzanti will review the Table of Permitted Uses in the Zoning Ordinance with Chairman Gajewski and staff to determine if some of the uses are made too burdensome because a special use permit is required.

Committee Reports. None.
Public Discussion. President Eisenberg then opened the meeting up for discussion by the public.

Cabot Ashwill, representing LifeSpring Community Church, sought the Board’s input on building a church and community center on the 21-acre commercial parcel located on the northwest corner of Route 173 and Siedschlag Road. The church has been looking for land within the community and believes this is a viable location. The Board voiced no objections as this would be a good location for what they are proposing and water and sewer are not available so the chance of a retail business being developed at this time is not likely. Mr. Ashwill was directed to work with staff with the zoning and development of the property.

Brian Golwitzer, resident of 9423 Bellaire Lane, expressed his concern for the displeasing look and number of junk vehicles on the farm on Winn Road. President Eisenberg explained the farm is not within the village’s corporate limits and can operate as a matter of right in the county. He suggested Mr. Golwitzer contact county board members and the health department regarding his concerns as the village has already done.

Drew Knobloch, of the Paddock Estates Subdivision, spoke of his attendance at the McHenry County Water Forum that discussed ground water contamination from salt usage and quarries and excavation pits licensed to accept “clean construction-demolition debris” as landfill. He made the Board aware that Thelen Sand & Gravel was one of eight locations in McHenry County identified by the IEPA that produced levels exceeding allowable toxins limit. It was explained landfill area is in the Village of Fox Lake and that Mr. Knobloch should contact the IEPA to see what is being done to correct the issue.

Consent Agenda. None.

Unfinished Business. None

New Business.
November 7, 2017 Village Board Regular Meeting Minutes. Trustee Simonson moved, seconded by Trustee Mazzanti to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Anhalt, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Simonson - 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of a wall sign at 2450 Route 12 for Wild Crab Boil. Trustee McMahon reported ARC unanimously recommended the approval of the one wall sign for the Wild Crab Boil with white letters outlined in blue, and an orange and brown crab logo, not to exceed 39 sq. ft. with final approval of a new sign submittal to be made by Chairperson McMahon and Inspector Walczak. Trustee McMahon moved, seconded by Trustee Letzter to accept ARC’s recommendation and approve the wall sign. Roll call vote: Ayes: Anhalt, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Simonson - 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Buildings, of the Village Code relative to the architectural review of accessory buildings or structures. The ordinance amends the aesthetic review of accessory building to include the ARC Chairperson and staff along with the Building Inspector. It also adds language that if an applicant is denied or cancels a meeting before ARC within 48 hours of the meeting date, they will be required to submit another $200 non-refundable application fee with any subsequent application. Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Simonson to approve the ordinance as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Anhalt, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Simonson - 5. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Other Business. The Board welcomed Dirty Rides, Inc., a new business that builds custom hot rods, classic cars and motorcycles, that is relocating from Johnsburg to 1803 Holian Drive.

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 Simonson 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: Anhalt, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Simonson - 5. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board adjourned into closed session at 6:47 p.m.

Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Simonson to reconvene from closed session. Roll call vote: Ayes: Anhalt, Letzter, Mazzanti, McMahon and Simonson - 5. Nays: None. Motion carried. The Board reconvened at 6:57 p.m. with all members present as the original roll call.

There being no further business, Trustee Mazzanti moved, seconded by Trustee Simonson to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]

Sandi Rusher, Village Clerk