President of Council Marjorie Harlow called Council to order on September 5th at 7:00 p.m.

The governmental body and those in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

Mrs. McNear took roll call. Present were Council members Diehl, Emerson, Hawkins, Knox, Squires, and Vanover. Mrs. Harlow was absent.

The minutes of were approved with five affirmative votes. Mr. Knox abstained.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. McNear read a letter dated August 30, 2012 addressed to the members of the Springdale City Council: “I am writing this letter today with a little constructive criticism on how the City of Springdale handles our responsibility of the Springdale Veteran’s Memorial. Our maintenance department does a great job on the grounds but are lacking on the upkeep of the flags being flown. Thursday, August 30th, I had to contact Jerry Thamann, Assistant City Administrator, who was very helpful to take care of the problem. One other time, last November, I had to contact Mr. Green about some flags being faded or torn. May I suggest the City Council to look at this problem and maybe a person could be appointed to do a weekly inspection of the conditions of all the flags and report problems. Our flags may be the United States, State of Ohio or each branch of the armed services. They are very important and we are the keepers. We must for the men and women who have given their lives for you and I and our great county. Thank you. Daniel J. Mastrullo”

Mrs. McNear said I did sign a purchase order this evening for replacement flags.

Mr. Vanover said he brought up a viable point and that’s something that does irritate me. What is the typical normal life span of those banners out there?

Mr. Parham replied we order flags typically twice a year. We’ll swap them out prior to the Memorial Day holiday and prior to Labor Day. In this particular situation, when we placed our order for the flags we were supplied with two different versions. Instead of putting up the two different types of flags, staff left the older flags up and placed the order in hopes of getting the proper ones returned. In fact, the flag company took responsibility for the mix up. We picked up the new flags last Friday so we would have a new set for Labor Day. We have a second new set on order. We always make sure we have an extra set available. I can’t speak to the one incident where Mr. Mastrullo indicated that he talked to Mr. Tim Green about the flags, but I know he did talk with Mr. Thamann. I talked with Mr. Thamann and also had a separate conversation with Mr. Agricola relative to what I had heard concerning the flags and what I have shared with you tonight.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE NO. 29-2012
AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO, TO AMEND SECTIONS 151.03 AND 151.04 OF THE CITY’S STORM WATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Knox made a motion to adopt and Mr. Hawkins seconded.

Ordinance 29-2012 passed with six affirmative votes.

Mayor Webster said one of our Board of Health members, Noreen Mocsny, has fallen on bad health. This happened last March and she had to miss the last couple of meetings before summer break. She has informed me that she will not be returning to the Board of Health. That explains why we have the resolution commending her for her dedication to the City. We’re sorry to see her not return but on the flip side I’m very happy to report that I have appointed Mr. Scott
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Garrison. His official name is Glenn but everyone knows him as Scott. He’s the local pharmacist in charge of the CVS pharmacy here in Springdale and he has agreed to serve on the Board of Health. He has been the pharmacist in charge of CVS since its opening in 2004. He’s been a pharmacist since 1983 when he graduated from Ohio State University. He has lived in the community since 1984 with his wife and two children and has volunteered to coach various sports throughout the year.

RESOLUTION R6-2012
CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT GARRISON, REPLACING NOREEN MOCSNY, AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Mr. Squires made a motion to adopt and Mrs. Emerson seconded.

Resolution R6-2012 passed with six affirmative votes.

RESOLUTION R7-2012
COMMENDING NOREEN MOSCNY FOR HER DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE

Mr. Squires made a motion to adopt and Mr. Hawkins seconded.

Mayor Webster said unfortunately Noreen has fallen ill and cannot return to the board. She will be sorely missed. She didn’t serve a long time on the board but she really made an outstanding impression on all of us. We put an “educational moment” on the agenda and she took great pride in sharing all of this information. She was well connected in the public health community and beaming with knowledge. We wish Noreen and her husband David all the best in the world.

Mr. Squires stated we are going to miss her. She was an absolute joy and we wish her a full recovery and the best life can offer her.

Resolution R7-2012 passed with six affirmative votes.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Parham said at the August 15 meeting, the City committed to have IGS serve as our alternative supplier for the Natural Gas Aggregation program. At that time, we decided we would attempt to go with a variable pricing structure as opposed to locking in a fixed rate over a twelve or twenty-four month period. It has been really interesting. Once you get going into this natural gas process, you will find it is entirely different from the electric program. With the electric program, you look in a fixed rate over a period of time. That fixed rate is based upon what rate Duke Energy has provided. Once that is identified, the other suppliers come in and offer you a rate based on Duke’s number and hopefully, will provide you with a savings. But natural gas is really and truly market driven. Our consultant, Eagle Energy, in conjunction with IGS was able to lock in a rate of 4.23 ccfs (the measurement for gas) on August 27. That rate will be effective for the month of November. The Duke Energy rate on the date we locked in our number was 4.73. The reason we are looking in for November is the fact that the program has to go through a number of administrative processes. The ‘Opt Out letter’ was sent out by IGS on August 31. Each of you has probably received a copy of the letter by now. You have twenty-one days from the postmark date of that letter to opt-out, if you wish to not participate in the program. If you want to participate in the program, you do nothing. If you want to opt-out, you should complete the bottom section of the letter and send it back. You will then remain with Duke Energy for Natural Gas. If you choose to do nothing and continue in the program, Duke Energy will send you a second letter to confirm that you have chosen to participate in the City’s Natural Gas Aggregate program. This time, you have seven days to opt-out. If you do nothing after those seven days, then the program will proceed. The first reading of your meter following that seven day period is when the program should take effect. Eagle and IGS are projecting that will occur around November. When we begin to consider our December rate, Duke Energy is required to provide PUCO with their rate around the tenth of each month. We then must notify Duke
by the fifteenth of each month. We can lock in after we see what Duke provides or if we find a better rate prior to the tenth, the City can lock in at that rate. Essentially, it’s IGS that is watching the market. They report back to Eagle Energy and Eagle contacts us when the two of them have found an acceptable rate. We then tell them to go ahead and lock in at that rate and for the next month we are set. If we see that the market begins to rise and the rates begin to rise, then we may want to lock in at that rate and experience the savings until the contract expires in 2014. I just wanted the general public to know the letters are out there and the process continues to move forward.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Webster said KT Russell has relocated out of the City and as of September 4th I have appointed Doug Stahlgren to the Parks and Recreation Commission. He attended his first meeting last evening and we’re very happy to have Doug. He and his wife, Debbie, have been very active over the years with the swim team and they have also coached soccer as their kids were growing up. I’d also like to request a resolution for KT Russell for her service to the community.

Mrs. McNear said you have a copy of liquor license request for O’Charley’s.

Mayor Webster asked is the change for Sunday morning sales?

Mr. Knox said it is a name change and Mr. Forbes said it is a transfer of ownership, entity name.

There were no objections.

MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Planning Commission - Sep 11
Board of Health - Sep 13
Board of Zoning Appeals - Sep 18
Finance Committee (Comm. Center debt) - Sep 19

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE - none

UPDATE ON LEGISLATION STILL IN DEVELOPMENT

File for LTIP and/or SCIP funds - Sep 19
Disposal of property - Sep 19
Amending Section 153.562,708 and 710 - Sep 19
Accepting Amounts and Rates - Oct 3
Redefining SR 4 corridor district boundaries - Oct 3
“Call” existing bonds on Comm Center debt - Oct 17

RECAP OF LEGISLATIVE ITEMS REQUESTED

Resolution for KT Russell - Sep 19

Mr. Parham said if you would look at item number 7 on the Pending Legislation Report, concerning the Zoning Map and Redefining the SR 4 Corridor District boundaries. At the Planning Commission meeting, there was discussion relative to clarifying the boundaries of the district. There was also discussion of adopting the Rt. 4 Corridor map and making it as an overlay on the Zoning Map. However, there was no discussion relative to the text amendment that needs to take place if the amendment is adopted. Because there was no discussion at the Planning Commission meeting, the Planning Commission has scheduled this issue for their meeting on September 11. You see by the report that the public hearing is set for October 3 with the first reading on September 19. We think it is proper to push the public hearing back to the October 17 meeting. We still have time to properly advertise and hold the public hearing at the October 17th meeting with the first reading taking place on October 3. That will give us enough time for Planning Commission to address the text amendment and make a recommendation to Council and the public hearing will be set for October 17.
Mr. Parham said there are several other requests for legislation found on the report. One is the request to allow the disposal of City property. We have approximately ten police vehicles that are no longer being used. A number of those vehicles are old marked and unmarked vehicles. We also have two motorcycles that are included in the estimated ten vehicles. Finally, the electric police car or GEM will be included in this process. We would like to look at using E-Bay or some system very similar to attempt to sell these vehicles. If we are unsuccessful, we will take them to the auto auction.

Mr. Parham said the final piece of legislation is one to authorize me to submit an application for SCIP funding for our proposed 2013 capital improvement projects.

Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:

Marjorie Harlow, President of Council

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