President Vanover called Council to order on January 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

The governmental body and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. McNear provided the Invocation.

Mrs. McNear took roll call. Council Members Diehl, Emerson, Ghantous, Harlow, Hawkins, Shroyer, and Vanover were present.

The minutes of the January 4th, 2017 City Council meeting were considered. Mr. Hawkins made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Emerson seconded. Minutes were adopted as published with seven affirmative votes.

Committee and Official Reports

Civil Service Commission
Mr. Robert Coleman: Good evening Mayor Webster and members of Council. I would first like to say that Civil Service Commission feels that things are off to a very good start between the Civil Service Commission and the newest City of Springdale management representative, which is Mrs. Amanda Zimmerlin. We are looking forward to working with Mrs. Zimmerlin on upcoming Civil Service matters, and we also want to say that we are very appreciative of the former management representative, that being Mr. Jerry Thamann, for his efforts.

At our last meeting, we welcomed the newest member to the Civil Service Commission, which is Mrs. Cheryl Darby. Following Mrs. Darby being officially sworn in, the officers were elected, with myself being elected as Chairman; Mrs. Kathy Nienaber was elected as Vice Chairperson; and Mrs. Darby as Secretary.

Mrs. Zimmerlin took the time to update the Commission on the status of the Violations Bureau Clerk vacancy as well as the custodian vacancy for the municipal building vacancy. I must say we are optimistic and we anticipate the filling of both vacancies as the process moves forward.

Civil Service would also like to take the time to thank Mick Higgins for his efforts and service as the former Chairman of the Commission, and we certainly want to offer best wishes to Mick and his family.

That being said, I will close my report with the words that I was given. There was a lady whose name was Gladys Dunn, and as she extended her hand, I said, “I’m glad we’re “done” as well.”

Rules and Laws
Mr. Diehl - no report

Finance Committee
Mr. Diehl - no report

Planning Commission
Mrs. Harlow: I do have a report. We met on January 10th. All members were in attendance. Being the first of the year, we had our election of officers, and Mr. Don Darby was elected Chair; Mr. Dave. Okum Vice Chair; Mr. Richard Bauer was elected Secretary; and Mr. Joe Ramirez was elected the Liaison to the Board of Zoning Appeals from Planning Commission.

Under Old Business, we had Enson Mart at 11360 Princeton Pike. They were in for a minor revision to a PUD. They wanted to add two additional overhead garage doors to the back of their building, and after a lot of discussion, it was granted with a 7-0 vote.

Under New Business, we had the former Princeton Bowl at 11711 Princeton Pike, and this was a concept plan for redevelopment. What they are interested in doing is they are interested in taking the bowling alley and dividing into ten long spaces, and at the beginning of each space would be an office and restroom facilities and then behind the office and restroom would be a very large storage area. What they’re envisioning would be small businesses,
maybe like an electrical shop or a plumbing company, somebody that would need to have inventory to be stored, and they would then have the storage area to do that. There is a phase two to this development concept, and that would be an additional building that would have eight additional offices/ storage areas. A lot was talked about as far as the flood plain and Mr. Okum brought up that insurance for any tenant would have to certainly be looked at. So they left with a pretty hefty list of things that they need to check out before moving forward and bringing a concrete plan to Planning Commission.

The second item was the Cincinnati Center for Autism at 305 Cameron Road. They have been granted a conditional use permit for that location, and they are growing. They are doing a great service for our school system, and they need more room. What they are looking to do is to add some, I think three units, they would be pre-fabricated storage units that they are getting from a facility down off of I-75 and Towne Street, and they would put these on a foundation. This would be out on the Cameron Road side. We all had a lot of concerns with this. The one thing I wanted to know was, is it something that we typically do on a conditional use permit to allow an expansion of a building, and also were the neighbors advised that this Center for Autism was coming in, and did they have any opportunity for any input. After a whole lot of discussion, this was tabled and Mr. Taylor will send a letter out to the residents that would be impacted. We are having a meeting on January 31st at seven o'clock. This is a special meeting, not our normal monthly meeting, and we've told them if they can get everything together, to come back for that meeting if they're able to get everything that Planning had requested.

Zoning text amendments will be referred to Council for approval, and I think you all got a copy of those from Anne McBride dated January 10th.

Mr. Diehl: Going back to the bowling alley, would there be overhead doors in that location?

Mrs. Harlow: Yes.

President Vanover: I guess one question on the Center for Autism. Are those like the modular classrooms that schools often employ?

Mrs. Harlow: Yes, they are.

President Vanover: That's kinda what I pictured.

Mrs. Harlow: And we're in situation where we want to work with the applicant because they are doing wonderful things. The gentleman stood there and told us of children that are able to now to speak with their parents, or communicate with their parents, that have never been able to do that before because they're at this Center. They're getting the individual therapy that they need. We talked also about maybe having the modules put on the back. Mr. Shroyer was there to speak for his mother because that would be a hindrance for her property. As I said, we gave them a lot of information to take back and look at. They are on a very tight time frame, and that was also a concern.

Mrs. Emerson: On the autism, are they planning on just using those trailers temporarily and then actually having an addition onto the school? Is that what we're looking at?

Mrs. Harlow: No, those would be what's put out there. It's my understanding, Mr. Hawkins could correct me if I'm wrong, but my understanding was those are going to be permanent and they would be put on a foundation and there would be a corridor connecting the classrooms to the main building.

Mrs. Emerson: Is that because it's cheaper?

Mrs. Harlow: They've been able to secure a very good deal on these classroom-type things. And you know, I understand that when you come on to Cameron Road, you have the cemetery there, and then you have a vacant piece of property that I believe Forest Park might own that little wedge of property there, and then we have some residents, maybe two of three residents that might be impacted. But my thinking on this is that it's also the gateway to that
neighborhood, and that’s where many of the people, the residents, come and go, and I don’t know that I would want something like that in our gateway or any other gateway in Springdale.

Mr. Hawkins: The trailers don’t necessarily look like just trailers sitting out there. If you look at Fairfield Freshman School or Middle School or Junior High or whatever it is over there where you just see literally trailers sitting out there, the impression of what they’ve presented is they’re going to build up around the outside of it so they’re not looking like trailers just sitting out there, so it looks like there’s an actual building and structure there. They’re supposed to come back with more detail with regard to how those additions would look. And then with regard to, as Mrs. Harlow indicated and Mr. Shroyer was present for the meeting, the issue on what’s going to have the least impact for the residents in terms of where this addition is placed, they’re supposed to come back with another rendering as well for showing us what it would look like if they placed it on the other side of the building too. So the hope is, with that additional information, with some more residents’ input, the Commission is going to have enough information to make the best decision.

Mrs. Harlow: And then the other issue was parking, as well, that if they put it on the parking side of the building, and from what we are told, there are already employees or people parking on the street at certain times during the day because it’s so busy there. So parking is going to be an issue if they take any parking spaces away from the lot in order to put the trailers on that side.

Mayor Webster: I mean I guess it’s strictly dollars and cents, is that the reason they don’t want to build onto the existing structure?

Mrs. Harlow: Yes.

Mr. Hawkins: They’re very limited, if I may Mr. President. They’re very limited in what they have funding-wise. And a lot of it I think they’re taking through donations and what have you, so it’s one of those things where they’re kind of pleading with the City. They’re very happy to be here; they’re very happy to partner and work with the City. They’re limited on what they can do and how they can expand, and they think that they can serve more children in a better way if they have the space. They’re turning folks away. They don’t want to do that. But it’s strictly money. They’re limited in what they can do, and even in some of the discussions about the timing for how things would take place, I think we were talking about tree replacement maybe, even that, they were like “We don’t have the money to do that right now.” It would have to be structured over some years. It’s a situation where they don’t have a lot of money with that organization.

Mayor Webster: Well I totally agree with Mrs. Harlow. I think it’s a gateway into that part of the City. I would not want to see some module stuck up there, and sure you can dress them up and they maybe look halfway decent, but a module is a module. And conversely, I would not want to see us in the back. I don’t want to see Mr. Shroyer’s mother and those residents to look at them, and also the parking. We’ve discussed, Derrick and I had this conversation within the last six weeks, I guess, about declaring all of Cameron Road no parking in there because there are some, you know, if you get people going both ways, especially if there’s an emergency vehicle or something, you could make a case for making that all no parking on both sides of the street. And I said let’s not do that just yet, but you know, if we let them put them in the back, then all of a sudden we take more parking spots, then that is going to drive more people out to the street, so you know, I’m not in favor of them going in the back for a couple reasons, and I sure don’t want to see them go out front or where they’re in full view of the people coming into that subdivision.

Mrs. Harlow: I was thinking about it later, and I mean I know that there’s a lot of space in Springdale, and I’m just kind of wondering if maybe the Center couldn’t for the time being borrow some space from another church, or somewhere public where they could have some classroom time, and then work on a better solution for their needs there. I just hate to see, like Mr. Hawkins said, they were pleading with us because they need to help more children and they do have a proven success rate. You hate to turn somebody away who’s helping a child communicate with their parents for the first time, but on the other hand, we have to protect our residents and I would just like to see some type of a solution found for their problem.
Mayor Webster: Having said what I said, I would just like to echo that comment that I think they’re a great asset to the community. They do wonderful work down there, and so I would encourage Planning Commission to work out something with them. I’m sure you can handle that, Mr. Hawkins, right?

Board of Zoning Appeals
Mrs. Ghantous: Board of Zoning Appeals met yesterday evening. We had one application. It was Anita Messer on Lawnview Avenue. Mrs. Messer was applying for a variance to have a shed seventeen feet from the property line and the rule is twenty feet. Based on the fact that she had a very irregular shaped lot, the Board of Zoning Appeals did vote to grant that variance to her. And that was the only application that we had yesterday.

Board of Health
Mrs. Emerson: The Board of Health met on January 12th. All were in attendance.

For Food Service Operations, Domino’s Pizza provided a plan review information for the proposal site at 11424 Springfield Pike, and that’s the old Dunkin’ Donuts or Happy Pizza. So they’re looking to move in there. J. Austin’s at Springdale Town Center closed on December 31st.

The Narcan report, the Springdale Fire Department did not receive any reports of opiate overdoses in December of 2016, so that’s awesome.

The Willows Work Group met January 10th, and the things that were on the docket were the playground and when that’s going to go in; the Chamberlain Park Spring Sports Camp, and that’s April of 2017; the Chamberlain Park Block Party, which is May 20th, 2017, and we’ll be keeping you updated as things occur; and the Prevention First Interactive Health/High Ground Ministries Call to Action Forum to promote opiate awareness is March 27th, and that’s at Higher Ground.

The Public Health Accreditation, they’re continuing to work on that, and for the completion of the Community Health Improvement Program.

The Nurse’s Report is the flu activity in the US has increased in all states and in Ohio, although it remains at a low level currently. The Latino Coalition of Southwest Ohio, there’s two community events titled “Know Your Rights”, and that will occur in February. The first will be held at the Healing Center on Sunday, February 5th from 11:30 to 2, and the second will be held on Thursday, February 9th from 6 to 8 pm at the Latino Ministry in Forest Park. Topics to be presented will be immigration and completing your tax forms. The Springfield Health Incentive Program, Jeanie and Jay Dennis from the Community Center put together a program. It’s a six-week long weight maintenance/loss program. It began December 12th, and it’s a voluntary program, and it is to help improve and maintain the health of the City employees. The Health Fair is going to occur again this year May 19th at the Springdale Community Center.

Capital Improvements
Mrs. Emerson - no report

O-K-I
Mr. Shroyer: OKI met last week. Mrs. Harlow was nice enough to travel downtown with me and provide some orientation for my first meeting, and I appreciate that. The majority of the meeting was election officers, beginning of a new year. There was a presentation by a representative from SORTA regarding Metro and their future of their operation, and they have the same issues that everybody has and that it cost, funding. The vast majority of their budget is personnel costs like ours and everybody else’s, to the point that they believe they are behind in their ability to make capital purchases, replace buses, do those type of things. So they’re constantly on the lookout for funding opportunities. The one challenge that they did point out that they see in the near and distant future is movement of folks in areas like ours. Apparently Northern Kentucky, Eastern Indiana, Butler County, those systems are growing in growing areas, growing in their ability to move people, and Metro is experiencing some issues in getting
those people from the river the north, from Butler County through Springdale and outlying areas and down into the county or wherever those folks need to be. And they believe that there is a considerable work force out there that could be taken advantage of by businesses in the Hamilton County area, as well as a workforce in Hamilton County that could service Northern Kentucky, some of those areas, but they can’t get there. So that’s one of their challenges at this point is funds being what they are, can they expand routes? They can’t afford to replace buses that they have now, let alone add buses, but they realize that those are the issues and they realize that is probably their largest upcoming challenge is there’s a workforce out there. There are people that either need to get from Hamilton County to surrounding areas, or need to get from surrounding areas to Hamilton County, and the edges of Hamilton County area becoming the bottleneck. They can get downtown. They can get to Butler County. They can get into Northern Kentucky. They can’t get from Butler County through the edges of Hamilton County, or the opposite direction. It was kind of an interesting presentation, and that was the majority of their meeting.

Mayor’s Report
Mayor Webster: I’d like to give Council a final update on our 2016 SOS Adopt a Family project. This year we were able to service seventy-eight families; two hundred seven kids were helped in those families. We started off back in November with a coat and hat drive. We had seventy-seven kids that we supplied with coats, hats, and gloves, in partnership with Princeton Closet. They picked up about half the tab on that. Next we had twenty-one families served turkey dinners through Cavalry Church. We had eleven kids that were invited to shop with a cop, or shop with a community helper. We changed the name of it. All kids were invited to show up and approximately $100 worth of gift cards each. They had a party sponsored by Chick-fil-a afterwards. The program was primarily funded by Target. We had seventy-eight families that were sponsored or adopted by numerous businesses, employees, residents of Springdale, and SOS. They received gifts from their adoptive families and in addition received a ham and bag or bags of canned goods. This food included hams donated by Smithfield Foods and also SOS. I think we bought forty-four hams, as I recall. Canned foods were collected from business communities and throughout the residential community, and also by area churches. Overall, roughly a hundred generous Springdale residents, employees, and/or businesses participated in the program in some way, shape, or form. We did have a few hams left over; those were donated to the Mental Health Association of America and they were used for holiday dinners for the less-fortunate residents. We bought forty-four hams, as I recall. Canned foods were collected from business communities and throughout the residential community, and also by area churches. Overall, roughly a hundred generous Springdale residents, employees, and/or businesses participated in the program in some way, shape, or form. We did have a few hams left over; those were donated to the Mental Health Association of America and they were used for holiday dinners for the less-fortunate residents. We had several teams that participated along with cheerleaders, and it was an outstanding event. I got some nice thank you notes from the families, and so I think it’s wonderful that we take the time out to recognize the efforts. Some of these people have, it goes back maybe forty years since they coached and helped build fields in this City and everything else. Some of them were really founding fathers of the recreation programs that we enjoy today.

Secondly, I’d like to report, I think at last Council meeting I reported that we were going to have the Hall of Fame Induction on the 6th of January, which did take place, and we had eight coaches that were inducted. Fortunately we had about fifty family members show up to support their departed loved ones, and we had several elected officials show up there. Also I’d like to thank you guys for your attendance. We had eleven teams that participated along with cheerleaders, and it was an outstanding event. I got some nice thank you notes from the families, and so I think it’s wonderful that we take the time out to recognize the efforts. Some of these people have, it goes back maybe forty years since they coached and helped build fields in this City and everything else. Some of them were really founding fathers of the recreation programs that we enjoy today.

Finally, I’d like to report that we have had to, on our Tax Review Board, remember you guys had to adopt the Uniform Code last December or January, the Mayor has to appoint one member on that Tax Review Board, and so I appointed Mrs. Barbara Slaughter, unfortunately her and Don have had to move out of the City into some smaller accommodations, so you do have to be a resident of Springdale to serve on that board, so she had to tender her resignation, so I’m very pleased to announce that I’ve appointed Mr. Mike Heitz to that committee. Just a brief background of biographic data from Mr. Heitz, he volunteers and has for some time for the AARP tax preparation service that’s offered free of charge in Springdale and Sharonville to resident seniors. He’s been a resident since 1973, homeowner since 1974.
He and his wife Gail have raised their three boys here in Springdale within the Princeton School system. He retired from MSD after 34 years as a registered professional engineer, and his wife Gail is retired after 35 years of teaching at Lakota School District, so Mike’s always been a very, been a contributor to the City, and he’s very happy to step forward and take on this responsibility.

Mrs. McNear: A comment about the pep rally and the induction ceremony – it was very, very nice, well organized, well attended. You can tell that the families were very touched that their loved ones were inducted, but the thing that was the most amazing to me was that those children sat there for an hour and a half, and they were so well behaved. It wasn’t until maybe the last few minutes when the very, very young ones started to get a little crazy, and okay, my husband too. But the kids were so well behaved, and I just want to thank everybody that was involved because it was a very, very nice evening.

Mayor Webster: If I may just add, it was a great event, like I said, and I’d like to thank the Rec Center and the staff down there, and also Mrs. Wisecup and the SYB folks for helping to put that on. So it was a good event. We’ll do it again next year. Hopefully we won’t have eight inductees.

Mr. Hawkins: I was going to say, just piggybacking on what’s been mentioned with regard to the most amazing thing is how the kids hung in there, I think the second most amazing thing is how Meghan Sullivan-Wisecup, despite being greatly sick with respiratory issues, was able to get through all of the speeches and everything and survive through that as her voice was failing.

Clerk of Council/Finance Director
Mrs. McNear: I have a General Fund update through December 31st, 2016. For receipts: for Net Receipts of $16.54 million, we received $18.627 million. That’s 111%. The five major General Fund resources of that amount were earnings tax, real estate taxes, paramedic services, local government funds, and Mayor’s court. That was a total of $17.449 million, or 94% of our income. The December of 2015, we had $16.256, which is 94%, so same percentage but much different result. The expenditures through December 31st – net expenditures $16.708 million. We spent $16.520 million, or 95% of the anticipated budget. And the general fund summary ending balance on December 31st was $4.048 million.

I also wanted to remind all elected officials that it is that time of year to prepare your 2016 financial disclosure statements. I have heard that one person has already filed; high five to that person. These are due Monday, May 15th. If you need help, Mrs. Harlow may be able to tell you since she’s the one that completed her documents already. You do not want to be late. You will be fined, so please make sure that you get those documents filed. And as always, I will continue to remind everyone every meeting until everybody has either filed or we run out of time.

Administrator’s Report Mr. Parham - no report
Law Director’s Report Mr. Forbes - no report

Engineers Report
Mr. Shvegzda: Just a couple additional items from last month. On the State Route 4 Urban Paving Project, the limits of that are from Cameron to the I-275 eastbound off ramp, the plans have been submitted to ODOT, final plans. ODOT’s schedule for the project is bid opening May 25th, award of the contract June 5th, and then construction to begin sometime in August with completion scheduled sometime in November. The preliminary construction cost estimate that ODOT has prepared is $915,000 and at this point in time, it’s split between ODOT and the City at 50%, $475,000. The preliminary agreement has been approved by Council. There will be a final agreement that will be coming before Council sometime in April, and that will have the final estimate for the project.

The Community Center walk path repair and resurfacing is scheduled to be advertised January 16th with the bid opening February 9th, award of contract March 1st Council Meeting, construction will begin spring and be completed by August of this year.

Spruce Up Springdale
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Mrs. Harlow: Spruce Up Springdale had a meeting on Thursday, January 5th, and if you recall that evening it was very, very nasty, snowy, cold, and we had sixteen people in attendance, so we were really thrilled with that. Mr. Shroyer and Mrs. Ghantous were also in attendance.

Forestdale Church was in attendance, and they are interested in partnering with us, most likely for volunteers. We’ve been working on a flier that hope to get out. We want to get it out through Mr. Joe Torre’s organization down at the police department, as well as down at the Community Center, get something back out on Facebook to announce our next meeting of Thursday, February 2nd at 7 p.m. Also we would like to set up a meeting with Mr. Parham to see what type of funding we can come up with for advertising for this project.

Communications - none

Communications from the Audience

Mrs. Sullivan-Wisecup: Since I love to talk with no voice at all, I’ve come back to you guys today. Two weeks later, I still have no voice. I’m Meghan Sullivan-Wisecup from Springdale Youth Boosters. I wanted to come up and thank everyone who came out to our first winter pep rally. It was very, very well attended. We had four teams that were not there. Three had games, so they have a pass; the other one had decided not to participate, and that’s fine because the ones that did participate had a great time. I have to echo what everyone said. Those kids were magnificent considering they sat through eight inductees and then the introduction of two hundred youth athletes. It was a very, very great night, very well attended. I was very, very pleased. As always, I am always pleased by what the Rec Commission does with acknowledging our coaches that have passed and the memorial. This year especially we had a lot of what we consider our pioneers in our youth sports program, people who went out and dragged fields and lined them so that we could have games back in the infancy of our sports program, all the way to a young father who passed away and still has teenage kids. We had quite the span of people who have passed, and it was amazing to have them recognized and the outpouring of love from their families. We had at least fifty people there. We put out forty chairs, and we had to keep adding and keep adding and keep adding, and I loved that. I loved that it was that well attended by those families and the families of the athletes that play for our community. Our winter sports program is our biggest program, and I’m hoping that some of those children that played basketball and volleyball and cheerleading then turned around and signed up for our spring sports which are right now, which is t-ball, softball, baseball, and soccer. So we’re hoping that through having these things in winter, it brings the awareness of sign up now and you guys can play in our spring sports, will bring more sports to our community as well. So again, thank you so much for coming out for those of you that came out. It meant a lot to SYB and to the City.

Mayor Webster: Mrs. Wisecup, do you have anything coming up in the future that we might be interested in?

Mrs. Sullivan-Wisecup: Yes, I do actually. The last Saturday of February, like every year, we have our Cinema Horse Races. It is our biggest fundraiser that we have for Springdale Youth Boosters. This year the price is eight dollars to come in, and you get three drink tickets and you can bet all night long on the ten races that we have. Our last race is a loser race, which throughout the night, if you lose, you put your name on the back of your losing ticket, you put it in the bucket right by where my husband is because he does all the computer stuff. On that last race, we pick names. If we pick your name, you’re a horse. If your horse wins, you get a cash prize. Your friends and family members can either bet on you or against you, depends on how the night’s going. Hopefully it’s a lot of fun. We have raffle prizes, split the pot. It’s a great night. We have blackjack and Texas Hold ‘Em going on as well. Money wheel, we have a lot of things going on and it’s a fun night for anyone twenty-one and over. Bring friends. It really is great. If you buy your tickets ahead of time, you can reserve a table, so that way if you’re coming with like, if you already know ten or twenty people of your family are coming with you, reserve a table. You all sit together. That way you don’t have to worry about, if somebody is not going to get a seat with you. It’s our best attended
event. It brings us, it’s our biggest fundraiser, and we want to continue to make it bigger and bigger every year. We want it to be back where it was before, where it was standing room only and if you didn’t buy tickets ahead, you weren’t going to come. So that’s what we want to get it back to.

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance No. 4-2017
REPEALING SECTIONS 38.60 AND 38.61 OF THE SPRINGDALE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND ADOPTING SECTIONS 32.30 AND 32.31 OF THE SPRINGDALE CODIFIED ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO AMEND AND RECODIFY THE SPRINGDALE EXECUTIVE RE-EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Harlow moved to adopt; Mr. Hawkins seconded the motion.

Mr. Parham: Council, I think in the previous meeting we may have given you and the public an indication of what we’re attempting to do here. Essentially right now the program has a cap of five years to participate in the program. What we are requesting is that we eliminate the cap, that and we evaluate the individuals on an annual basis. If we think that we’re still receiving value from that director then we will retain that director. At some point if we decide that we’re no longer receiving that value, then we would go through to proceed with the change to that position. In addition, what we did not explain previously is the process of repealing the current section where the policy is located. Unfortunately American Legal Publishing placed it under Section 38 as opposed to Section 32 of the City’s Code where all of our other employment policies are identified. So we are also trying to also re-establish where the policy is located within the City’s Code. With the attachment we just simply included a single page that is not a part of the exhibit, but we wanted to just demonstrate for you where the changes were being made. Essentially it is eliminating the word “two” and the number “2” within parenthesis. We are also adding the word “additional” into Section J of the document.

The Ordinance passed with a vote of 7-0.

Ordinance No. 5-2017
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED $8,300,000 OF BONDS BY THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Diehl motioned to adopt; Mrs. Emerson seconded.

Mrs. McNear: Nobody wants to say anything when we spend $8.3 million? Mr. Parham, I know you have something to say about it.

Mr. Parham: I really don’t have anything to say other than if you have specific questions, our Bond Counsel Brenda Wehmer is here this evening and she can address any of those questions. As we’ve talked about before, this is the legislation that authorizes us to proceed with issuing the bonds and borrowing the $8.3 million in order to proceed with our road improvement project schedule.

Mr. Diehl: I’d just like to say, Mrs. McNear, good job.

The Ordinance passed with a vote of 7-0.

Mrs. McNear: Mr. Diehl, I do have to tell you, I did break a sweat on this one.

President Vanover: I was reading along with you, and I was tired.

Old Business

None.

Mr. Diehl: Before we move on, can we go back to the Engineer’s report? For the outdoor walking track, you have a completion date of 2018. Is that correct?
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Mr. Shvegzda: That is incorrect; it is this year.

New Business

Mr. Parham: Earlier tonight Mrs. Harlow discussed and shared with you about the proposed text amendments. We need to schedule the Public Hearing as we outlined in the Pending Legislation Report. If you’re agreeable, the first reading could be held at our next meeting on February 1st with the Public Hearing then being scheduled for the February 15th meeting. Because of the amendments that we made to the Zoning Code last March, we do not need to wait thirty days; instead we simply have to wait only fifteen days.

Meetings and Announcements

Mrs. Zimmerlin: I just want to give a reminder that spring registration for sports is under way for baseball, t-ball, girls’ softball, and spring soccer, and you can contact the Community Center for details, and that AARP is offering their free income tax help program this year beginning on January 27th, and that you need to contact the Community Center for an appointment as well.

Mr. Hawkins: As Mrs. Harlow indicated before, Planning Commission is having a special meeting on January 31st at 7 p.m. in these chambers.

Communications from the Audience

- none.

Update on Legislation Still in Development

Mr. Hawkins: As we review our Internal Memorandum, item number one was addressed with Ordinance number 4-2017, an Ordinance repealing Section 38.60 and Section 38.61 of the Springdale Codified Ordinances and adopting Sections 32.30 and 32.31 of the Springdale Codified Ordinances in order to amend and recodify the Springdale executive reemployment program, also known as SERP, and declaring an emergency. That passed with a 7-0 vote. We had number two which was addressed with Ordinance number 5-2017, an Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed $8,300,000 of bonds by the City of Springdale Ohio for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing street improvements in the City of Springdale and declaring an emergency. That passed with a 7-0 vote. All other matters were forthcoming.

Recap of Legislative Items Requested for Next Council Meeting

Mr. Hawkins: We have a request for an Ordinance amending various sections of the codified ordinances of the City of Springdale for a first reading.
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Adjournment

Mr. Hawkins moved to adjourn. Mrs. Emerson seconded the motion and Council adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:
Tom Vanover, President of Council

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