

City of Springdale Council

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President of Council Tom Vanover called Council to order on April 16, 2014 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. Present were Council members Diehl, Emerson, Harlow, Hawkins, Knox, Squires, and Vanover.

The minutes of April 2, 2014 were considered. Mrs. Harlow made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Emerson seconded. The minutes were approved with seven affirmative votes.

Committee and Official Reports

Civil Service Commission

Mr. Higgins: The Civil Service Commission met on April 3, 2014. All members of the Commission were present in addition to Mr. Thamann. The results of the February 22, 2014 Police Officer examination revealed that of 188 applicants that sat for the examination, 115 passed. The fitness test was scheduled for April 5th for the top 75 candidates. That did take place. No unfinished business. In new business, there was a number of correspondences from Mr. Thamann to the Commission. The first dated March 11, 2014, informing the Commission of the probationary appointment of Mr. Sam Fogle to the Tax Department. The second one dated March 26, 2014, informing the Commission of the permanent appointment of Mr. Logan McAvinchey to the position of Maintenance Worker, effective February 25, 2014. The final one dated March 28, 2014, informing the Commission of the permanent appointment of Mr. Fred Guthrie to the position of Maintenance Worker, effective December 14, 2013. The Commission also reviewed and approved the Report of Activities for the Calendar Year of 2013. The report is an annual requirement of the State Personnel Review Board. The next meeting is May 1, 2014.

Rules and Laws	Mr. Hawkins	- No Report
Finance Committee	Mr. Diehl	- No Report

Planning Commission

Mrs. Harlow: The Planning Commission met on Tuesday, April 8th. We had one item of business and that was a minor modification to the PUD plan for Harbor Freight and that was approved with a 7-0 vote.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Mr. Hawkins: The Board of Zoning Appeals met on April 15th. All seven members were present. We had one item of new business. The owner of 1205 Wainright Drive submitted an application to the Board requesting a variance to convert the garage to living and storage space. Said variance was from Section 153.105(B) indicating a single two-car garage and related parking area is required. The request was denied with a 0-7 vote.

Mr. Knox: The gentleman had done the work already before and put it up for rental and the Building Department discovered this so we really need to admonish people that they need permission to convert your garage.

Board of Health

Mr. Squires: The Board of Health met April 10th. All members were present. The Minutes from March 13th and the Minutes from the Special meeting on March 27th were both approved. Under Unfinished Business, it is to be noted that the Infectious Disease mobile van's last day in Springdale was the 31st of March. Under New Business, the Health Commissioner announced the 2014 6-Star Honor Award. This is the fifth year for this program. It seems like when you look at these, that Maple Knoll ran away with most of it because within Maple Knoll, you have Beecher Place, Bodman Pavilion, Breese Manor, Mainstreet Café, and Manor House restaurant. To obtain that, you have to have less than two critical violations during the routine Health Department inspections per year, in good standing with other City of Springdale agencies, have a valid food license for one full license year, no smoking violations and renew license by due date. That's important because a lot of our fine restaurants are deserving of this award but paperwork may not have been received on time. The other criteria were the educational requirement for food safety training. Often when you change personnel they don't get that requirement in. Other Springdale restaurants receiving the 6-Star Honor Award were

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Chick-Fil-A, Five Guys Burgers and Fries, Sterling House, and Sky Zone. There were twelve complaints for animal bites and food-borne illnesses. That's about average and they've all been dealt with.

Under the Nurse's Report, there's a Healthy Diabetes Workshop that began April 10th and will go through May 22nd. The Children's Health Fair is scheduled for May 9th at the Community Center. First group of third graders will arrive at 08:15 a.m. and you are welcome and encouraged to attend that. The Immunization Clinic is still active. It is to be noted that children are required to have one dose of Tdap vaccine prior to entering seventh grade. Hepatitis A, HPV, and Meningitis vaccine will also be offered for that. The mobile mammography van is due to visit Springdale Community Center Tuesday, October 21st from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Board of Health will be May 8th.

Public Utilities	Mrs. Emerson	-	no report
Public Relations	Mr. Hawkins	-	no report
Capital Improvements	Mrs. Emerson	-	no report
Public Welfare, Safety & Education	Mr. Diehl	-	no report

Housing Board

Mr. Squires: Housing Board will have its first meeting one week from today at 2:00 p.m. in the conference room adjacent to the Mayor's office.

Public Works	Mr. Squires	-	no report
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Mrs. Harlow: OKI met on April 10th and we went through the regular President's report, Executive Director's report and Finance report. The only thing that came out of that Thursday meeting was that we were told the federal Highway Trust Fund; this is the fund that your gasoline taxes are paid into, this fund will be bankrupt by July 2014. This is the fund that has in the past has financed a lot of the big road and bridge projects across the country. Projects are being pulled back in a lot of states. This plays into the Brent Spence Bridge; this is one of the projects that has been submitted to the Highway Trust Fund for funding. Every project gets ranked and prioritized. They have no idea where this stands right now. There are a couple other addendums to this is that the Kentucky legislation got through one round where it was voted on and then it had a toll provision on it. On a second round of legislation, an anti-toll provision was added to the bill. This was on a Thursday and they told us they expected Governor Beshear to veto the anti-toll because he believes it's going to have to have toll as well. There are a couple of other things that play into this bridge report. Kentucky did authorize \$61M for the next two years for continued groundwork and research and structural charges. Then the final thing is Kentucky will be getting a new governor next year because Governor Beshear's on term limits and it's a possibility, depending on now the election goes, that Ohio might have a new governor. So that's all going to play into what happens with the bridge project as well. I left that meeting not knowing any more about the bridge than I walked in. I think there are a lot of players that have to get to the table before this can really happen.

Mr. Vanover: Obviously people are still buying gasoline and at the rate that the price is, there's money got to be going in there, why is this fund almost bankrupt?

Mrs. Harlow: They did not have an answer to that.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Webster: Just to piggyback on shortage of funds in the Federal Road Fund, the State of Ohio is going to have a constitutional amendment, Issue 1, on the ballot May 6th; this is to authorize the state to issue capital improvement bonds, \$175M for each of the next five years. We've been a benefactor of this thing; there's one expiring and we've taken advantage of these funds so I certainly would urge everyone to support this. This is not a tax increase; it's a general obligation bond, which is paid back out of the General Fund of the State of Ohio and we know they should have a lot of money since they took all of ours. Don, do you have a couple of examples of how we've made use of this in the past?

Mr. Shveg zda: The one that is still being designed is the West Kemper Road Rehabilitation; that's got \$515,000 of OPWC money involved in it. Ashmore/ Woodvale, which we were a little surprised we got money for that; we received almost \$132,000 and

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other ones are Merchant Street, the resurfacing there; Century Boulevard and all of the three phases of Kemper Road that took place basically from Chesterdale to Sweeney Place were partially funded with OPWC dollars.

Mayor Webster: So we urge everyone to support that. Jeff Forbes tells me that even some communities have passed a Resolution in support of this but I think it's a little late for us to do that since this will be our last meeting before the election. Please support Issue 1.

Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Mrs. McNear: I have the quarterly report for the finances ending Q1. Q1-2014 revenue is based on a budget of \$15.471 million. We have taken in \$4.035 million by the end of the quarter; that's 26% of our anticipated revenue. Major sources of income are earnings tax, \$3.287 million; real estate tax, \$225,000; local government funds, \$57,000 and Paramedic Services \$124,000, for a total of \$3.7 million, rounded off. That's about 92% of the revenue for the quarter. Our ending General Fund balance is \$3.938 million. On the Expenditure side, we have a net budget of \$17.361 million. For March, we expended \$4.373 million, which is 25% of the anticipated expense.

The next item that I have is based on the annual report that all elected officials must file for financial statement, which was due April 15, 2014, or so I thought. I happened to be out on the website a couple of days ago and noticed that the Ohio Ethics Commission extended that for 30 days. So if you haven't filed you're not going to get fined; you have an additional 30 days. Also I hope that some of you took advantage of that online filing because I found it to be a much easier process than using the paper.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Thamann: I do have a few items this evening. First, at the last Council meeting, Mr. Rokiski from 829 Crescentville addressed Council regarding a drainage issue that he was having on his property. The Building Department I think gets this complaint every time we have this wet weather season. Mr. McErlane is here tonight, not for this reason, but if he wants to interject, please do so. Mr. Parham and I went out to the property after our last Council meeting along with Brian Ward from the Building Department to address the issue with Mr. Rokiski. One of the major problems is the contour of the land. Everything is draining from the west toward his property and then on the south side there are two or three properties that the backyards are all draining into his property as well. The Building Department did not find any violations with the next door neighbor at 811 Crescentville but they did tell me that they're going to encourage the property owner, for their own benefit, if the back downspout drain is clogged up, to go ahead and get that fixed and run it to the top of the driveway to get it to run down the driveway to the street; that will help his foundation as well and, maybe, if that is creating the problem for Mr. Rokiski, it will resolve the issue but we're not sure of that. They're still monitoring it; we'll keep an eye on it and see what happens. Mr. Rokiski is saying that it bubbles up out of the downspout drain but we have not recognized that yet.

Last Friday the Springdale Public Works attended a recognition award for the National Arbor Day Foundation. They received their 22nd annual award for Tree City USA in Ohio. The program was held up in Tipp City, Ohio and it was attended by Mr. Agricola as well as Mr. Mike Huxsoll from our Public Works Department. This year's Arbor Day ceremonies will take place Friday, April 25th. We're going to have two of them this year. We've always had the one at Springdale Elementary, but we're also going to do a second one at Heritage Hill Elementary. That will be April 25th at Springdale Elementary at 1 p.m., followed by the ceremony at Heritage Hill at 2:30 p.m. The Parks and Recreation Department as well as the Public Works Department is putting this program together. They will be planting a tree both at Springdale Elementary and Heritage Hill.

The Springdale Youth Boosters have their Opening Day parade May 3rd; starts at 09:00 a.m. This has been a long-standing tradition in the community. They're asking if you'd like to participate, please do so and arrive at Value City parking lot no later than 08:45 a.m. They're trying to find out how many will be participating so they can request convertibles from Jake Sweeney for the parade. They're asking that you RSVP as soon as you can if you're interested in participating in their parade. That was from Megan Sullivan-Wisecup who was here at our last meeting as well to talk about it.

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Mr. Thamann (continued): After the last Council meeting, I sent out a notice regarding an opportunity to take a tour of the Rumpke Material Recovery facility. I've heard from both the Mayor and Mr. Hawkins. I'm trying to set a deadline; I know the date is way out, May 22nd, but if you're interested please let me know as soon as you can because I have to confirm the date so they will hold it for us at Rumpke. I need to contact their Program Manager for the tour; she said the earlier the better, so I'm trying to get that RSVP in. We've also opened it up to our Department Directors and there are a couple of them that are interested as well. Again, that's Thursday, May 22nd, at 1:00 p.m.

The last thing I have is from Mr. Parham. He said get something on the web page as well as Facebook page regarding the notice that he received Thursday evening from DP&L that our electric aggregation contract was going to terminate and that letters were going out to residents. People started getting them either Saturday or Monday. We started receiving calls this week regarding it and from what Mrs. Charles has told me, the majority of the calls that are coming in are just seeking information. We told them we do have something on the web page. What we basically put on the web page was a summary of the letter and then a little more expansive information, what Mr. Parham talked about at the last meeting regarding that you have to opt out. There's the waiting period. I'll just go through it for you - DP&L said they won't extend our contract. It's going to terminate in May when your meter reading date occurs. There are potentially 31 different days for your termination of your agreement. They did mail the letters out. They are also informing you that you will be returning to Duke Energy. This is one of the things we were trying to avoid but unfortunately we can't so there's going to be a fall back period to Duke at least for one month. We're hoping that's all the longer it will be.

We've received information from Eagle Energy, our consultant, that they put out Requests For Proposals to various suppliers to get new prices. We found out DP&L came in as the highest bidder at this point. Last time they were the lowest. In order to experience any savings, what we have to do is go ahead and select a new provider and that hasn't occurred yet. They're trying to iron out those details as well as the cost. Once we pick a supplier, then we have to submit their name to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) for approval, not only the company but also the price they're agreeing to. Then the Public Utilities Commission has ten days to respond. After that ten-day period and it's approved by the PUCO, the new supplier then will send letters out to all the customers saying if you want to participate in our program, do nothing, but you have 21 days to opt out. Remember this is an opt-out program. After that 21 days is over, then Duke Energy, who you're going to fall back to, is required, by the regulations, to send another notice out, giving you another seven days for an opportunity to opt out of the program. This drags on for a while, so we put this out; we told the residents we know this is complicated; we know it's confusing, but as we get more information about the best available rates that we have for our residents, we will keep them updated in the process but we also understand we have to follow the PUCO regulations. Any questions?

Mayor Webster: Thank you Jerry, that was an excellent report on the Aggregation. We are very unhappy with the situation with DP&L. I guess I'm even more unhappy with our consultant because it's not like any of this stuff should have snuck up on anybody. They knew these dates were out there and they should have been out for bids earlier. We should have been able to give our residents some warning that this was coming. When they first told us this was going to happen, I asked Derrick to go back to them and see if they can't go to DP&L and get a 30-day extension, to give us time to get our letters in order and get the people notified. They did that and DP&L said okay. Derrick called and said we've got good news; we got a 30-day extension from DP&L. Then within two days, Derrick gets a phone call saying the letters are going out, cancelling it. They just pulled the rug right out from under us. All I can say is to the residents of Springdale is we are working on a new program and we will have a new Aggregation Program but you're going to get, not only this cancellation notice, but also get a letter from us, get a letter from the new provider, maybe an opt out notice; you're going to get all kinds of communications. Just hang in there, and believe me, it's a pain in the neck but it is worth it. I'll give you an example: Derrick lives in Forest Park as all of you know. Forest Park does not have an aggregation program. So I asked him, take your usage, apply the Springdale rates and compare that to your Forest Park bill. It was a savings of \$1100 for eleven months, if Forest Park had the same program that Springdale has in place. It is a pain in the neck but it is worth it, so just go along with the program. Your bills are going to continue to come from Duke, your services are going to come from Duke, the meter reading's going to come from Duke; it's

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PRESENTATION – Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services

Mr. Thamann: This evening we have Dianne Sunderman, she said her name is Dianne but call her Di, from the Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities organization here to talk about the upcoming levy on the ballot for May 6.

Di Sunderman: Good evening; I am Di Sunderman and I want to thank you all for the opportunity to speak here tonight. I am a long-time resident of Springdale and I'm also representing the Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities levy, which is Issue 3 on May 6. Because I work for HCDDS as a Benefits Representative, I have personally witnessed many opportunities for the people I serve and I wanted the Council and the audience to know how much this levy provides to the citizens of our community. These opportunities help make our citizens with different abilities become a greater part of our city. I am also involved in many community partner projects which help the people we serve become engaged and more involved where they live. Some of these projects have been the Fall Ball, the Spring Fling, Learning for Life classes; I have mentored many individuals at the Starfire Council, organized Red's game outings, and we've often participated in the Opening Day parade. Over the last 40 years, thousands of adults and children have been served by HCDDS. We were formerly known as MRDD and that was removed several years ago. We offer full ranges of educational programs, vocational services, and residential assistance, all of which help target the specialized needs of all those who we serve. In my area of work, we are able to assist many people by helping them obtain government benefits, which allow them to lead independent and goal-minded lives within their community. The levy this year is a renewal, which means this does not increase your taxes, it all remains the same. The levy does account for 71% of our agency's funding. This year our slogan is Living, Learning, and Working in our Community. This encompasses the ideals of our agency. Through the work of HCDDS and many of our community partners, the children and adults in our community with development disabilities are able to achieve what is important to them and lead more self-sufficient and fulfilling lives, which in turn then gives back to your personal community. So please I'm just here to ask you to tell your neighbors and your friends and family to remember to vote in the May 6th election, which Issue 1 is also important to our community; but for my purposes, please vote for Issue 3. I'm welcome to take any questions if there's anything I can answer.

Mayor Webster: Is this the first renewal that you folks have sought under your new name?

Di Sunderman: Yes. The last ballot we were on was in 2009 and that was a slight increase and we were under the name of MRDD. As a matter of fact what we had to do at the time was put our name two different ways on the ballot so people would know we weren't Hamilton County Dental Services, which a lot of people mistook DDS for Dental Services. This will be the first time we will be on there as DDS, and it will not say MRDD; it will just say Developmental Disabilities Services levy.

Mayor Webster: But it is the same organization?

Di Sunderman: It's the same agency. We've been here about 40 years. Currently the county serves about 10,000 individuals with known disabilities. This ranges anywhere from our toddlers in the Help Me Grow program to a couple of schools for those that have severe disabilities and can not be included but we also do 50 satellite classrooms within the county. We serve 700 adults in our workshop centers and thousands of peoples with jobs in the community that also receive services, either in a residential setting so they can live on their own or in the homes with their parents and they receive services there so they can remain with family.

Mr. Diehl: Two quick things – one, you have my vote. More important, I just want to say thanks for all the really great things you guys do.

Di Sunderman: Thank you. It's through the support of all of our community partners such as Springdale and other areas that we're able to continue to provide such a wonderful co-working relationship so we also thank all of you for the support you have given over the years.

Mr. Hawkins: You indicated the levy makes up 71%, so does the balance of that come from the budget from the County Commissioners?

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Di Sunderman: No. Jenny Dexter is our media representative. She can break it down more. 71% comes from the levy, which is based on property tax of people who live in Hamilton County. Currently if your home is \$100,000, your taxes this year are \$118 for the year. The rest of our funding comes from state, federal; there is some money from the County Commissioners; we do have to approach the County Commissioners when we do a levy but it's not just from Hamilton County. We use the name Hamilton County because over the history of time, every Board of MRDD was then recognized by its' county of residents. Hamilton County is the third largest agency in the state, next to Cuyahoga, and of course, Franklin County, which is in Columbus. The bulk of our money comes from the levy, so the levy is very important, but we do get some assistance, although over the last several years, as everyone has learned, that assistance has dwindled, due to budget cuts state-wide and federal. It's important that we're able to renew the levy this year, to maintain our standard that we've been able to offer the people we serve.

Mr. Hawkins: That leads to the next question; I wanted to make sure that everybody understood that, I'm assuming you guys have had some cuts in funding with regard to whatever you did get from the County Commissioners.

Di Sunderman: Yes, we have, and again, I'll refer to my cheat sheet, but I can do it also from memory, we've had to do in the last three years a \$20 million budget from our agency. We've done so by eliminating positions, staff has not received raises in over three years. We've had to eliminate some programs but nothing vital to health and safety or living standards. We've done some other things where we've collaborated and combined. We've established a state rate for provider services as opposed to a fluctuating rate. We did do some early buyout incentives for retirees. So we have done a lot of work in the last three years to really break down what we need and what we need to give people good, healthy lives. The other thing we had to do was the State grants waivers and I won't go into a lot of technical terms about that but what it is, the State will provide part of the money; then the Hamilton County DD Services provides the rest. For example, an Independent Options Waiver is a 60/40 – the state pays 60; we pay 40. We've also had to go into a sort of mandated service where people who are coming in now have to become waiver-eligible so that we can commit to them the 40% but we can't commit 100% of the services paid. Families are always welcome to pay the other 60% but for many of the people with severe disabilities, the expenses are quite high. So we're also going into a program where we are including the waiver program from the state. Right now there aren't any; we have a waiting list again but we were able to refinance a lot of people on that program and able to economize our budget in that way. We're utilizing as many resources that are out there. We also just depend on the generosity of our voters and community members in general with your support all the way around.

Mr. Vanover: I just want to say I know, I haven't seen Hamilton County, but my father, after he retired, went on with Butler County; I know that he thoroughly enjoyed the activity and spoke highly of the program. You've got mine.

Di Sunderman: I will say that CARF, which is an accreditation firm that every county has to go through on a five-year plan, we have met and exceeded all of their expectations in the last 20 years, every five-year period. We are doing a really good job; I think it shows by the people who are in our communities. More of them are living in residential settings; they're taking on jobs in our communities, and they're participating in social activities. Thank you again for your time; vote for Issue 3.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE - none

PROCLAMATION – Building Safety Month

Mayor Webster: The first Proclamation I'd like to present this evening reads as such:

Whereas, the City of Springdale's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of safety, energy efficiency, and resilience in the built environment that affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our structures are safe and sound; and

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WHEREAS, our confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians—building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, laborers and others in the construction industry—who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, these guardians create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, play; and

WHEREAS, these codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as snowstorms, tornadoes and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month is to remind the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety—our local code officials—who assure us of safe, efficient and livable buildings; and

WHEREAS, "Building Safety Month: Maximizing Resilience, Minimizing Risks" the theme for Building Safety Month 2014, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safe resilient construction; backyard safety; energy efficiency; and new technologies in the construction industry. Building Safety Month 2014 encourages appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, worship and play are safe and sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes; and

WHEREAS, each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Americans are asked to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability at home and in the community, and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property.

NOW THEREFORE, I, DOYLE H. WEBSTER, Mayor of the City of Springdale, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2014 as "BUILDING SAFETY MONTH"

Mayor Webster: I'd like to ask Mr. McErlane to step forward and accept this.

Mayor Webster: The next Proclamation is regarding Arbor Day. As Mr. Thamann has told you, Arbor Day is going to be the 25th of April this year and I'd like to read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, in 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, trees in our City increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Springdale wishes to encourage its residents to plant and maintain trees in the City;

NOW THEREFORE, I, DOYLE H. WEBSTER, Mayor of the City of Springdale, do hereby proclaim April 25, 2014 as Arbor Day in the City of Springdale and urge all citizens to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands and to support the City's urban forestry program.

Mayor Webster: As Mr. Thamann indicated, we will have two ceremonies this year at the two elementary schools on the 25th.

Mayor Webster: Now the final Proclamation, please bear with me. This is in celebration of the 90th birthday of Mrs. Thelma Lindner. Mrs. Thelma Lindner, as you'll hear in the proclamation is the wife of Springdale's second Mayor, Chuck Lindner. They asked me if I would issue a Proclamation; I said I'd be more than happy to, just give me some of the bio information. They sent me six pages of Springdale history. You're only going to have to read a little bit of that. We went through the six pages and tried to pull out enough that would fit on this plaque. This plaque will be mailed out to Colorado tomorrow so that it will get there for her birthday party.

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, April 30, 2014, we celebrate the 90th birthday of Thelma Lindner, an active and involved resident of Springdale for sixty years and wife of former Springdale Mayor Charles Lindner; and

WHEREAS, Thelma Lindner was born in Carthage, Ohio, the youngest of seven children. One of her fondest childhood memories is of helping her father deliver fresh produce door to door. She would accompany him early in the morning to pick up the fresh produce down by the river and assist with his regular round of customers. This forged a special bond between her and her father; and

WHEREAS, Thelma met her future husband, Charles Lindner while walking home from church choir practice during the summer after her junior year of high school. She had been attending Hughes High School and he was a handsome all around athlete and scholar at Hartwell High School. Thelma transferred to Hartwell for her senior year, where she participated in field hockey, basketball, volleyball, archery, choir, and yearbook staff. Both Thelma and Charles graduated from Hartwell High in 1942; and

WHEREAS, After high school, Thelma enrolled at the Christ Hospital Nursing School while Charles attended UC, studying engineering and playing football. With the war effort on, Charles became involved in the V12 Naval officers training and was transferred to Purdue University. Thelma and Charles were married on October 13, 1945 while Charles was on a three-day leave. They began their married life in Hartwell, then moved to Yorktown, Virginia when Charles was called up with the reserves during the Korean War. Upon returning to Hartwell, Thelma began her career as a registered nurse with the City of Lockland, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, In 1954, Thelma, her husband Charles, young sons Chuck and Mike, along with a pony that had been a gift from Thelma's father, moved from Hartwell, out to their "country" house on Kenn Road in Springdale; and

WHEREAS, Thelma and Charles Lindner became deeply involved in Springdale activities, with Charles serving the City in many capacities in the early formative years when Springdale was first incorporated. He served as vice-mayor, chairman of the Springdale Planning Commission, Chief Building Official, and Mayor. During these years, aside from supporting Charles in his vision for the future development of Springdale, Thelma continued working as the nurse for the Lockland Board of Health until it was absorbed by the City of Cincinnati in the 1960's. In addition to her career and raising her family, Thelma was involved in the Princeton School

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District PTA, the Princeton Athletic Club and the Hamilton County Women's Club, of which she served as President. After her children were grown, Thelma volunteered at the Llanfair Nursing Home, Meals on Wheels, assisted giving flu shots, and as a reporter for the Millcreek Valley News covering Springdale; and

WHEREAS, After Charles' death in 1999, Thelma, being the true family matriarch, continued living in the family's home on Kenn Road and remained active in the Springdale community, having only recently moved to a retirement community near son, Scott in Hudson, Ohio. She enjoys her three grown children, seven grandchildren, and four great grandchildren. Thelma and Charles Lindner were a part of those most interesting days in Springdale history; they had played a part in creating a community and a framework of government for Springdale that had not previously existed and Springdale benefited from the efforts and involvement of them both and will be eternally grateful.

NOW THEREFORE, I, DOYLE H. WEBSTER, Mayor of the City of Springdale, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 30, 2014, as Mrs. Thelma Lindner Day in the City of Springdale and commend this observance to our citizens.

Mayor Webster: It's with great pleasure that I'm able to issue this and it almost brought tears to our eyes to read these six pages of Springdale history. If any of you would like a copy of that, I'd be more than happy to share it with you. They will go in the city's archives. Thank you very much and Happy Birthday Thelma!

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Public Hearing

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2014

AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, OHIO, TO AMEND SECTIONS (A)(3)(a) and (A)(3)(b) OF CHAPTER 153.533 OF THE SPRINGDALE ZONING CODE

No communications from Audience.

Mr. Vanover: Council, this is a second reading on this, so what is your pleasure?

Mr. Squires made a motion to adopt; Mr. Knox seconded.

Mayor Webster: I think someone gave an explanation of this last meeting, but this is an annual thing that we bring before Council. A few years ago, we wanted to give some relief to some of the small businesses and allow them to display a sign for their business about eleven months of the year, can't they Bill?

Mr. McErlane: They can do it the entire year. This is the sixth year we've done this. It allows a business to place a banner for a month's period of time but they can renew it monthly so essentially, they can have a banner up the entire year. The purpose behind renewing it monthly is so we can look at the condition of the banner to determine whether or not we want to reissue it again, based on the condition.

Mayor Webster: So without this provision, they can only do it once a year?

Mr. McErlane: It would revert back to what our code used to say five years ago, in that you could have a banner for a two-week period four times a year, with a month in between each occurrence. The Planning Commission considered different alternatives with regard to whether or not to renew it for a two-year period or consider changing it to some degree and with the onset of looking at revisions to the Zoning Code, they decided to do it for an additional year and let the review committee to take a look at it.

Ordinance 13-2014 passed with seven affirmative votes.

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ORDINANCE NO. 14-2014

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK OF COUNCIL/FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HEALTHSPAN, INC., RELATED TO A JOB RETENTION AND CREATION INCENTIVE AGREEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Diehl made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow and Mrs. Emerson seconded.

Mr. Tulloch: The Administration appreciates the Council's consideration of this ordinance. It is for HealthSpan, which currently occupies approximately 10,000 square feet at Pictoria and they are contemplating an additional 17,000 square feet which would house 77 new employees over at Pictoria. It is being endorsed by the City Administration and negotiated with the individuals I have with me and they are with Catholic Health Partners, which is the parent of HealthSpan. I have John Brownrigg, who is the Vice President and Property Facilities Manager of Catholic Health Partners and Nicole Bellman, who is the Real Estate Director of the same organization. I'd like to turn it over to them and they can tell you about what's going on.

John Brownrigg: Mr. Mayor, City Council, we appreciate your consideration of this ordinance. We're here on behalf of HealthSpan. As Jeff said, we're at about 10,000 square feet now; we're going to almost triple that space to 30,000 feet. Part of that is driven by consolidation of some other operations here locally in different municipalities and part of it is due to a fairly significant acquisition up in Cleveland of the Kaiser Permanente Health Care Plan operations up in Cleveland; that's close to a thousand employees up there. This is the headquarters for the state-wide organization and so that also is driving the need for the additional positions here. Nicole actually put this deal together but when we first started talking to employees of HealthSpan; they didn't want to move from Springdale. We had some other options in different local municipalities; they had a real desire to stay here and there were some serious conversations about other locations. From our standpoint, they didn't want to hear any of that; they wanted to stay in the building they were in so they appreciate being here and we hope to add more jobs as we talked about and have an ongoing relationship here in Springdale.

Ordinance 14-2014 passed with seven affirmative votes.

RESOLUTION NO. R5-2014

COMMENDING THE PRINCETON VIKING GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING THE OHSAA DIVISION 1 GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

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

Mayor Webster: The team was invited to come this evening; Jerry, you have some late-breaking news on this?

Mr. Thamann: We did get a phone call. Mr. Karle called about 6:00 this evening and said from the Athletic Department that they were hoping that the Assistant Coach was going to be here representing the team. We talked about the possibility of getting them here either this meeting or in May but you get these seniors that are getting close to graduation; it's going to be rough to get them to come out and do things. It's unfortunate but I understand that they couldn't make it.

Mr. Squires: It's quite a good feeling about this. I know, because I was on professional staff at the high school in 1987 when they won the first one. One of the players on that team is still very good friends with my daughter, that's Tammy Svoboda, and Tammy is in town; I wish she were here tonight but she and Heather have gotten other things they were doing. I know how Mr. Hawkins must feel; he's Princeton; and I know how the other Princeton people must feel about that. It's just a wonderful feeling of something well done. It doesn't happen often. But it did happen and it's nice to see it; it's nice to share in the joy of the success that these girls have.

Mr. Hawkins: As Mr. Squires said, it does. You get a great sense of pride that gets stirred up. You always are proud of being a Princeton Viking but when these kinds of great things happen, you just beam. It's alums from all across the country, from all different classes, it's really

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a special thing. Big thanks to those young ladies and those coaches and the Athletic Department for what they did.

Resolution R5-2014 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Mr. Vanover: We have before us now Resolution Number R6-2014; this is appointment of a member to the Springdale Tax Review Board and as Mr. Thamann noted in our internal memorandum, that Mr. Roy Mitchell has been holding this position and was contacted and did indicate that he would be willing to serve again. So I will at this point in time open the floor up for nominations.

Mrs. Harlow: I would recommend Mr. Mitchell to continue on with the Board of Tax Review. I had the pleasure of serving with him on that board. He's a licensed CPA; he's very knowledgeable. It's very helpful to the members on there for him to be able to explain tax law because none of us really understand that and he can explain it to the members in layman's terms that they can understand and I think he's a huge asset to that. Thank you.

Mr. Diehl: I second the motion and Mrs. Harlow could not have said that any better; he is a top-notch individual.

Mr. Vanover: For point of order, are there any other nominations in? I will give it to Mr. Roy Mitchell by acclamation. Mrs. McNear, if you would read Resolution R6-2014, with Mr. Roy Mitchell's name in.

RESOLUTION NO. R6-2014
APPOINTING _Roy Mitchell_ AS A MEMBER OF THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE BOARD
OF TAX REVIEW

Mrs. Harlow made a motion to adopt; Mr. Squires seconded. Resolution 6-2014 passed with seven affirmative votes.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Squires: The Board of Health will have its May meeting May 8th at 7 p.m. in the room immediately adjoining Council Chambers.

Mr. Squires: The Housing Committee will have its first meeting of 2014 one week from today, on the 23rd, at 2 p.m. in the conference room adjoining the Mayor's office.

Mr. Hawkins: The Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on May 20th at 7 p.m. in these chambers.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE - none

UPDATE ON LEGISLATION STILL IN DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Hawkins: As you look at your Internal Memorandums, Item 1 was disposed of with Ordinance No. 13-2014, which passed with a 7-0 vote. Item 2 was disposed of with Ordinance No. 14-2014, which passed with a 7-0 vote. Item 3 was Resolution R5-2014, which passed with a 7-0 vote. Item 4 was Resolution R6-2014, which passed with a 7-0 vote. Item 5 is forthcoming.

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RECAP OF LEGISLATIVE ITEMS REQUESTED FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Mr. Hawkins: The only thing I have is an ordinance regarding Item 5 for the trucks.

Mr. Thamann: We're not sure if we're going to have an ordinance available. The bid opening is April 25th but we're not positive if we'll be ready to forward the ordinance on the 7th; it could be the 21st. The only other item I might want to mention is if Mr. Parham has the opportunity and comes to an agreement on the Master Service Agreement for the Electric Aggregation, I'm sure he would like to get that legislation to you as soon as possible. So you may see that on the 7th, or again, that may be on the 21st.

Mr. Squires made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Hawkins seconded. Council adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:

Tom Vanover, President of Council

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