

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 17, 2022**

Board present

Mayor Ann Schneider
Vice Mayor Tim Harris
Alderman Bobby Trotter
Alderman Jeff Gragg
Alderman Emily Green
Alderman James Hubbard
Alderman Lisa Arnold

Staff present

City Manager Ryan Martin
Assistant City Manager Candice Tillman
City Recorder Lisa Crockett
City Attorney Christy Bartee
City Clerk Kimberly Brickles

1.0 Call to order 6:00 P.M.

1.1 Pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

1.2 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen held April 19, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

1.3 Public Hearing:

1. No Parking from 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm on the east side of White Street 200 feet north from 5th Avenue West.

2. No Parking on the east side of Page Street from 16th Avenue West to 17th Avenue East.

Michael (Mike) Hollandsworth of 1601 Page Street spoke in favor.
Amy Armstrong of 1608 Page Street spoke in opposition.

3. No Parking on the west side of North Brown Street from 5th Avenue East to South Pawnee Drive; the west side of Wilson Street from 5th Avenue East to the dead end; and on the north side of 4th Avenue East from North Brown Street to Memorial Boulevard.

Jerrold (Jerry) Singer of 879 North Brown Street spoke in opposition.

2.0 Legislative

2.1 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Ordinance 22-05 on first reading. An ordinance amending the fiscal year 2022 annual budget for the City of Springfield by amending certain General Fund and Utility Fund operating budgets. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 2.2 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve Ordinance 22-06 on first reading. An ordinance adopting the annual budget (and tax rate) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.3 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 22-07 on first reading. An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 20-08 in its entirety and setting a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield water system. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.4 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 22-08 on first reading. An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 21-11 in its entirety and setting a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield wastewater system. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.5 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 22-09 on first reading. An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 19-13 in its entirety and setting a new schedule of rates and charges for the Springfield stormwater system. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.6 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve Ordinance 22-10 on first reading. An ordinance establishing System Development Fees for the City of Springfield. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green.

Vice Mayor Harris moved to amend to include charging 50% of the proposed fees beginning September 1, 2022 and then 100% of the proposed fees beginning January 1, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The main motion as amended was brought back to the floor and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 2.7 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 22-11 on first reading. An ordinance amending Title 20 of the Springfield Municipal Code by amending Chapter 2 entitled "Temporary Food Vendor Regulations". The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.8 Alderman Green moved to approve Ordinance 22-12 on first reading. An ordinance amending the City of Springfield Conditions of Service Manual by amending the section entitled "Electric" by amending certain policies to read as set forth in "Exhibit A" attached. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 2.9 Alderman Gragg moved to approve Resolution 22-18. A resolution accepting a maintenance bond from Reyes Construction, Inc. to guarantee maintenance surety for streets, right-of-way, easements, and infrastructure improvement in Sleepy Hollow Subdivision, Section 5. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 2.10 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Resolution 22-19. A resolution amending the Opening Invocation Policy. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris.

Vice Mayor Harris moved to amend to include having the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 6-1 electronic vote. Ayes: Schneider, Harris, Trotter, Gragg, Arnold, Green Nay: Hubbard

The main motion as amended was brought back to the floor and passed by a 6-1 electronic vote. Ayes: Schneider, Harris, Trotter, Gragg, Arnold, Green Nay: Hubbard

3.0 Administrative

- 3.1 Alderman Green moved to approve the monthly TVA wholesale fuel cost adjustment of \$0.02715 per kilowatt hour effective June 1, 2022. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Harris and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The resulting retail rate is 10% higher than last month and will result in a \$7.50 to \$11.73 increase in the average residential electric bill.

- 3.2 Alderman Green moved to approve the adjustment of monthly gas rates of the Springfield Gas Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 6-1 electronic vote. Ayes: Schneider, Harris, Hubbard, Gragg, Arnold, Green Nay: Trotter

The Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) increased to \$0.5943 or 26.2% from the previous month. The actual increase in rates across the board averaged 15.75%.

- 3.3 Alderman Gragg moved to ratify the emergency road tractor purchase for the Water/Wastewater Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.4 Alderman Green moved to ratify the emergency HVAC purchase for the Parks and Recreation Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.5 Vice Mayor Harris moved to approve a recommendation from the Traffic Committee to post "NO PARKING" signs to restrict parking Monday-Friday from 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm on the east side of White Street 200 feet north from 5th Avenue West. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.6 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a recommendation from the Traffic Committee to post "NO PARKING" signs on the east side of Page Street from 16th Avenue West to 17th Avenue East on the east side. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.7 Alderman Green moved to approve a recommendation from the Traffic Committee to post “NO PARKING” signs on the west side of North Brown Street (20’ width) from 5th Avenue East to South Pawnee Drive; the west side of Wilson Street (20’ width) from 5th Avenue East to the dead end; and on the north side of 4th Avenue East (20’ width) from North Brown Street to Memorial Boulevard. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 3.8 Alderman Green moved to approve a presentation and report from Dylan Cooper and Bryan Hill of Community Development Partners, LLC on the parks master plan. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 3.9 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve a contract in the amount of \$47,500 with Chaffee’s Commercial Cleaning of Springfield, TN to provide janitorial services. The motion was seconded by Alderman Green and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 3.10 Alderman Green moved to approve change order #1 to the Moss Welding contract for a reduction of \$338,087.40. The new contract amount will be \$1,103,772.60. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

4.0 Consent

Alderman Green moved to approve the consent docket. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 4.1 Water/Wastewater Department’s request to award the bid for variable frequency drive for the East Hillcrest pump station in the amount of \$53,387.98 from Border States of Nashville, TN. Budget: \$500,000

5.0 City Manager’s Report

During City Manager Ryan Martin’s report, he reported that:

- The annual spring cleanup day was a success. 180 volunteers participated and over 5,000 pounds of trash was removed from city streets.
- The Phase 2C sewer project is in its final stage and will be completed soon.
- Free Movie Fridays begins this Friday, May 20th at the Robertson County Fairgrounds. *Trolls World Tour* will be the film.
- The Splash Pad will open Memorial Weekend.
- First Friday Night Market returns June 3rd with Four on the Floor providing the music.
- Freedom Fest will return on Sunday, July 3, 2022 at the Robertson County Fairgrounds. Grace Baptist Church is the presenting sponsor and the entertainment will be the Oak Ridge Boys.
- The State of the City will be held Thursday, July 14, 2022. It is a lunch time event and does require a ticket.

Mayor Schneider asked everyone to remember the communities that have suffered from mass shootings.

Alderman Hubbard specifically asked for prayers for Buffalo, New York. The mayor of Buffalo requested prayers.

6.0 Adjournment

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting.



Ann Schneider, Mayor

Attest:



Lisa H. Crockett, City Recorder