

City of Springdale Council

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President of Council Tom Vanover called Council to order on May 21, 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 May 7, 2014 were considered. Mr. Hawkins noted one correction - changing medal to model on page five, fourth paragraph. Mr. Squires made a motion to adopt; Mr. Knox seconded. Minutes were approved with this correction with seven affirmative votes.

Committee and Official Reports

Civil Service Commission	Mr. Higgins	-	no report
Rules and Laws	Mr. Hawkins	-	no report
Finance Committee	Mr. Diehl	-	no report

Planning Commission

Mrs. Harlow: The Planning Commission met on May 13th; all members were in attendance. Under New Business, we had on our agenda, Wendy's Restaurant for an exterior building improvement and they were a no show. The Chairman tabled that.

We also had Tri-County Commons at 620 Kemper Commons Circle and they were in for a minor revision to the PUD. They wanted to add panels to their existing pylon sign and the representative from the sign company was here that evening. They don't have any new tenants to put on the signage yet but they wanted the available spaces there so that if they had perspective tenants that they could show them that they would have signage for them. After a lot of discussion, that was tabled. We did assure Tri-County Commons that we would be willing to work with them when they came back in with the tenants for the signage. They have two blank spaces there now that they could use.

Tire Discounters at 12130 Springfield Pike was in and they want to do a conditional use permit and development plan for a new building on Route 4 just north of Roosters. There were 12 or 13 issues that were on the table that really needed to be resolved between the contractor, the company, and our Building Department before it could really come forward to Planning so we continued that. Hopefully we'll see them back at our next monthly meeting.

The last item of business was 175 Progress Place, the old Avon building. The new owner has requested a dock expansion program on the east side. They would be changing the landscaping so that it would be screened from view and that type of thing and that was approved with seven affirmative votes. That would conclude my report. I would be happy to answer any questions.

We have had a couple questions about Waffle House. Waffle House hasn't been before Planning Commission probably since maybe February. The last time they were before us, we requested that they go back and see if they could work out something on the south side of the building. They did not want to put windows in; what they wanted to do was put shutters up to resemble windows to make, if you were driving, north on Route 4, and you glanced at the building, it would look like there were shuttered windows. What we had asked them to do to make it a little bit more realistic was to recess the brick in the window area and then put the shutters up so that it would view better. They were going to take that back to headquarters and we have not heard from them; they've not been on the agenda. Hopefully they'll be back soon.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Mr. Hawkins: The Board of Zoning Appeals met on May 20th; all seven members were present. We had three matters of New Business. The owner of 584 Cloverdale Avenue requested a variance to allow a 12' x 32' foot, which is 384 s.f., greenhouse structure to be erected in the rear property. The Variance Request is from Section 153.492(B)(3), indicating that a detached accessory buildings other than garages shall not exceed two percent of the lot

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area or 12% of the area of the dwelling unit, whichever is less. That variance was granted with a 6 - 1 vote with the caveat that it shall have a maximum height of seven feet and shall be constructed with PVC pipe and plastic sheeting would be used to cover it, basically during the months of October through May, is when they were going to do that.

We also had the owner of 11419 Princeton Pike requesting a variance to allow a 15 foot, 8" wide, 94 s.f. wall sign to remain on the tenant space. Variance is requested from Section 153.523(A) which indicates that a wall or panel sign shall be set back from the end of the building in part of wall line at a distance of at least three feet. Section 153.531(C)(1)(b) is also a Variance under General Business (GB) - gross area of signs = width times 1.5 + 40 s.f. So they need two variances - for the square footage of the sign as well as for infringing upon the three foot setback to their neighbors. That Variance was granted with a 6-1 vote.

We also had the owner of 12130 Springfield Pike requesting a variance to allow a waste container enclosure in the side yard, install a 436 s.f. area. The Variance Request was from Section 153.489(A) indicating that waste container screening shall not project into or be located on the front or side yard and Section 153.531(C)(1)(b), indicating the gross area of signs = width times 1.5 + 40 s.f. That matter was continued to the June meeting. That concludes my report unless there's anything Mr. Knox has to add or if there are any questions.

Board of Health

Mr. Squires: The Springdale Board of Health met on May 8th. It was an abbreviated meeting; for example, there was no Unfinished Business. There was no New Business either. The Health Commissioner did give a rather lengthy report and I'll attempt to summarize what she had to say. The Health Department now has a new automobile. They now have a fleet of two of them, a 2007 Focus and a 2014 Focus. The new 2014 Focus will be used by the Sanitarian, Ella Jergens. Speaking of Ella, she is to attend the Master's of Public Administration Program at Wright State University this coming fall. That doesn't mean she's going to give up her duties here. She will indeed stay on staff here; this is weekend work and one or so night a week work and this coursework that she's doing has been approved by the Administration for tuition reimbursement so she will have her MPA when that is done. The Health Commissioner did attend the Spring Conference in Columbus May 19th through May 21, which ended today. I assume she is now back in town. The public pool preopening inspections and openings are underway. The Extended Stay on Chesterdale Road is planning to fill up their pool; they're not going to have it any more. The city main pool is repainting the interior; that's what's going on there. There were several announcements from the Commissioner concerning 2014 events: Healthy Women, Healthy Lives June 7th 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at the Vineyard Healing Center, Springdale Safety Day August 2014, and the mammogram visit is October 21st, 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. at the Springdale Community Center. The ServSafe Food Safety Manager's training program is Monday, October 13th and Tuesday, October 14th.

Relative to the women's program that Mrs. Hick sponsors, I met with Nurse Jean this afternoon and got some details of what they actually do for that. It's screening mostly, and it's free. There's not going to be any charge for this but they do quite a bit, offering blood pressure screenings, cholesterol screenings, triglycerides, for example, LDL, HDL, mass index, glucose and osteoporosis screening, and a mammogram will be available by appointment for women 35 years old. We urge ladies of Springdale to take advantage of this; it's at the Healing Center, Vineyard Church in Springdale.

Finally a word about the Children's Health Fair. That has grown to a tremendous success. I really can't say enough about it. I was privileged to observe quite a bit of it this year. It's now done in collaboration with Sharonville Health and Recreation Departments. It's just too big for Springdale to do it alone. There were 522 third grade students participating in that with as many as 80 parent/teacher chaperones from the public and private schools within the Princeton School District. There were 24 different learning centers at this program. Children had about an hour and a half to go through all 24 of these; they couldn't do it. That wasn't enough time for it but they had examples on nutrition, physical activity, safety around animals that might have rabies, prevention of hearing loss, examples of things they might see in an emergency room, and the ambulance and the fire house were of course their favorite. They got to do quite a bit there and talk to our people first hand about what they do. The reason that they had 24 stations and the reason that they can't get it all in is on purpose. If

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you reduce the number of stations, it's kind of an inverse variation there, you have to have lines and you don't want third graders in line. These children were just very attentive in what they did. I watched them and they seemed to be taking everything in that was offered to them. It was not a day off from school. It was really classroom work that they were doing there. It's an event that Springdale should really be proud of. If anybody on Council gets a chance to observe that, I would certainly urge you to do so. I think you would be very proud of what the Health Department does within that. If there are any questions, I'll take those.

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: The Housing Board met on April 23rd. We had a number of discussions and items that were presented to the Administration for their concurrence and their study as to what they perhaps do with it. We left it at that and that's what we normally do.

O-K-I

Mrs. Harlow: OKI met on May the 8th. The main topic of conversation was the funding of transportation projects that are in jeopardy at the local, state, and federal levels. They basically reviewed the same thing that they had talked about the previous month; that funding is drying up; that we don't have the funding, the priority projects, how they score them, that type of thing. There is one item though that I think Council members might be interested in. There's a new website that they just launched in April. It's howwegrow.org and it's a strategic regional policy plan. It has six main issues that OKI is focusing on. It's an interactive website so if you have time, go out and give it a look; I think you'd be impressed with it; I was. Other than that, basically it was just general housekeeping. They do have their annual OKI luncheon June the 19th and that is also they're celebrating their 50th year so it's going to be a little bit of a 50 year celebration in addition to their annual luncheon. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

Mr. Vanover: We need to back up just a minute. Mr. Squires, I jumped over you on Public Works.

Public Works	Mr. Squires	-	no report
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Mayor's Report

Mayor Webster: I'd just like to remind everyone that we will be laying a wreath down at the Veteran's Memorial on this coming Friday, the 23d of May at 2 p.m. I'm very pleased to announce that long-time resident Mr. Tom Schecker from Marwood Lane over in Heritage Hill will be laying that wreath with me. Tom served in Korea. He was in the Air Force. He was very pleased to accept the invitation to do that. It's a very low-key event, takes about five minutes to do this but if you have a moment, I think it's well worthwhile to show your support to our veterans. That's this Friday, 2 p.m.

Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Mrs. McNear: General fund update: Our receipts through April are \$7.954 million dollars; that is 51% of the anticipated receipts. Our top sources of those funds, 94%, are attributed to Earnings Tax, Real Estate Taxes, Local Government Funds, Estate Tax, and Paramedic Services. On the Expenditure side, we have a net General Fund budget of \$17.361 million dollars; through April, we have spent \$5.728 million dollars, which is 32%. Our Ending Balance is \$6.502 million dollars. That concludes my report, thank you.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Parham: For the second consecutive year, the City has partnered with the City of Forest Park for the purchase of rock salt. Forest Park served as the lead agency in this process. The bid was held on May 9th. There were three bids received. Cargill Salt submitted a bid at \$83.12/ton. North America Salt submitted a bid of \$88.97/ton. Morton Salt submitted a bid of \$76.88/ton and is identified as the best and lowest bidder. Just to give you some idea as how the impact of this most recent winter season had on these rates, our current rate is \$55.38/ton. This winter season created a heavy demand for salt. There were a lot of communities that were in desperate need of salt. As a result, the industry has had the

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opportunity to begin to raise the rates again as we saw a couple of years back. We have again committed to purchase 2,000 tons of salt through Morton with this contract. In the Pending Legislation Report, as has been our previous practice, I indicated to you that we had the 20% opportunity to purchase either 20% less or 20% more of our identified amount. Yesterday, I was notified by our Public Works Director that this practice was altered this year. Instead of us having the 20% opportunity, it is instead 10%. Therefore, we can now either purchase a minimum of 1,800 tons or a maximum of 2,200 tons. The way we structured our purchase of salt for this upcoming season, is with the remaining balance in this year's budget, we'll purchase a majority of the salt and then we'll budget for next year a very similar practice. In 2015, we will then purchase the balance of the committed amount. Based on the Morton rate, we can purchase roughly 1,500 tons, with what's in our balance right now for this year's budget. I think that will probably bring us to total capacity in the dome. We will request legislation at the June 4th meeting to authorize our participation and to purchase the rock salt.

One other item I have for you is that I distributed to each of you a copy of a letter titled "Dear Springdale Resident." I also included a second page that is identified as "Frequently Asked Questions." These documents are concerning the Springdale Electric Aggregation program. As you all know, Mr. Thamann reported to you at the last council meeting, that we were prepared to adopt legislation to enter into an agreement with Perigee to serve as our electric supplier. At the last moment, based on a number of changes in the industry, Perigee decided they just simply could not honor the rates they had submitted to the group. They simply backed away from that opportunity. What I have here is a copy of a letter that the Mayor and I have talked about that we are planning to send to the residents. We are getting calls (from residents). I am sure you may be getting calls. I am sure there are a number of residents in the community that are confused and just don't know what to do. The purpose of this is to explain to them where we are, how we got here, and where we hope to be in the future. I must say, as we do in this business, we borrow from other communities. This was a document that was well-written and put together by Amberley Village. I borrowed it and made quite a few alterations to the document to fit us. What we hope to do is to inform the residents how this process works, also what's available to them right now. On the front page of the letter, the third bullet point down, it says "What Options Are Available." One of the things that we identify here is residents choose to be proactive in this process, they can go to the state's website, www.energychoice.ohio.gov and it will give them an opportunity to compare various electric supplying vendors. One of the things you're going to want to do when you get ready to look at this information is to have your most recent electric bill available. There is a part on your bill illustrating Duke's "Price to Compare." Whenever you are exploring other options or other opportunities, that price to compare is the amount or rate that Duke Energy charges. If you can't beat Duke Energy's charge, you really probably ought to sit still until such time as we are able to find a supplier for the Aggregate Program. The State website will give you an opportunity to compare one vendor rate with another. It lists a number of vendors throughout the state. You will see information such as the name of the vendor and whether they are providing you with a fixed rate or a variable rate. The information will let you know how long the rate is good for and whether there is a termination fee associated with leaving before the contract ends. They will tell you whether this rate is simply a sales pitch or introductory rate. Residents will have the ability to look at that information and see what's the best available rate or opportunity for them. I went through it today just to make sure I understood how it would work. The one thing that would have been helpful is if you had Duke Energy's information there in front of you to compare to the other rates. However, the only thing you really need from Duke is their price to compare rate and since you will have your recent Duke bill you will have what you need. With the rest of the suppliers you can review their information and make some comparisons. What we want to do as quickly as possible is get this information into the residents' hands. Hopefully, this will answer any of their questions. We also want to make sure our staff has the answers to most questions and that they are familiar with the rules as well as what's going on. So now if the residents have questions, they will be able to contact the office and get an informed response. We are also going to post this on Facebook and we will put it on the website, but I think it's even more important to make sure we get it into the hands of the residents. So with that, I will try to answer any questions that you may have.

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Mayor Webster: Yes, Derrick, this just dawned on me; I just saw this right before the meeting, but since we're going to spend the money for the postage to mail this to every resident, do you think we should say anything about the gas program that's going to be coming up here in the fall so we don't have to go back out to the residents again with another mailing?

Mr. Parham: We could. I think the date for the Natural Gas program is in October. I believe the broker is planning to put RFP (Request for Proposals) out in July. But I think we may have enough time to place an article in the August newsletter, depending on how quickly the RFP information comes back. So we may be able to do that. The only reason I may pause for a moment about putting it in here is trying to keep them as separate as possible, with less confusion. But if you guys think putting a note in here somehow would be helpful. I have tried to squeeze everything on this one page. I have even reduced the font just to keep it to where you can have it on the front and back. Now, I am going to depend on the staff that has the expertise on what's the best way to mail it out. I want to try to get it out in the most efficient way as possible, whether we put it in envelopes or put it on some sort of mailer.

Mrs. Emerson: A couple of questions. First of all Mr. Mayor, on your comment about the gas, could we make some comment on this that we mail out something like, for future, the gas aggregation, you can find information in the newsletter coming out, something to that affect, so people are looking at the newsletter for when it comes out, does that make sense? To direct them to read that for the gas.

Mayor Webster: I think the challenge right now is trying to find space on here to do that.

Mrs. Emerson: It would just be a one-liner maybe.

Mayor Webster: Yes, that might work.

Mrs. Emerson: Then, my other comment, when we were talking about the Electric Aggregation before, I remember the guy saying you can't just compare the two rates because you may get a better rate but then by the time they add on the fees and taxes and that kind of stuff, we're over it, so you really get a better rate with their program. So when you compare those two numbers, are you getting the fees and the taxes and all that included in that, when you're looking at those two numbers?

Mr. Parham: You mean with the apple to apple comparison?

Mrs. Emerson: Yes.

Mr. Parham: The apple to apple comparison is only on electric. When you start talking about adding in taxes (the Hamilton County sales tax and all) it is only on the gas program. So the taxes are already added by the time we post on the website what our gas rate is. All of that information is already calculated in, so it's not added on here. What they're giving you on the website I believe is true apples to apples comparison without anything else.

Mrs. Emerson: Okay, thank you.

Law Director's Report

Mr. Forbes: Just one item that I'll address briefly tonight. It's something that rarely comes up but it actually has come up a few times recently, so I'll just give my sort of reminder about it as I do sometimes and that's about abstaining from votes. Just keep in mind your charter, the rules of Council, they don't say anything about this so you sort of default back to Robert's Rules. The general rule there is that members of the body have a duty to vote on the questions that come before them unless there's a conflict or unless there's some personal reason that they can't. I just want to remind you all that I'm available when questions of conflicts come up that you can always talk to me ahead of time to address whether you think you have a conflict; we can get that addressed ahead of time and in those instances where you believe you do have a conflict and you're going to abstain, I would just remind you that, if you're going to abstain, you should not participate in the discussion leading up to the vote either. That's just my sort of friendly reminder on abstentions which, it doesn't happen very often, but I wanted to address it and if there are questions, you can always ask me and it's usually better to ask those conflict questions before we get to the meeting so that we can have time to look into them. That's all.

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Engineer's Report

Mr. Madl: Municipal building damage repair - all the punchlist items have now been completed and the project is final. West Kemper Road Rehabilitation - Duke overhead Electric and Gas are in the process of finalizing some relocation plans. Other than that, the MRF, Municipal Road Funds, were approved by County Commissioners as expected, and the project is, the contractor expects to start in early June. On the 2013 Street Program, there is a letter that has been sent to the contractor regarding the asphalt problems that they have had out there as well as some recent concrete concerns. The city is going to be looking into hiring an independent third party Engineer to evaluate the concrete concerns to determine if there is any liability with the material or the construction of the concrete. That concludes my report.

Communications - none

Communications from the Audience

Julie Matheny: Springdale Chamber of Commerce. I'm here to talk about our Grand Opening of our sixth annual Farmer's Market. That will be June 5th, same day of the week as always, a Thursday, from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The only slight change we have this year is we're going to not be exactly in the Town Center parking lot; we're going to be slightly south of there. So we're going to be in the church parking lot across from First Baptist Church, which is the city lot. So basically if you're telling somebody, it could be the corner of Peach and Walnut. As far as our vendors that we have coming back, we have Walther Farms, with his produce; we have Miller's Amish Bakery; we have It Spells Good, with homemade caramel corn; we have Lady Crafters, which are two of our local residents here in Heritage Hill, who have had a booth the last several years who make corn hole bags, embroidery of towels and things like that; Bright Soapworks; Mama Hamptons, who has been out for a couple of years but they're coming back, selling different jams and jellies. We have, she didn't give me a name for her business so I'm just going to give her one, Kara and the Kids; it's a local resident who lives off Ray Norrish Drive and her and her family participated last year and they're going to be coming back doing some herbs, flowers, scents, sprays, things like that. Then her little girls are going to be doing some crafts and some things for kids. Then we have two new vendors this year. We have A&B Farms, a farm out of Waco, Kentucky, believe it or not, is going to be coming to Springdale, Ohio, so we welcome them. The other new one is a lady called Me's Doll Boutique and Accessories. She makes her own dolls, dresses, and accessories. Then we do also have Mustard's Last Stand coming back; he'll be our food vendor this year, selling hamburgers, hotdogs, refreshments, things like that. Should be a nice time. It's been a long winter. I can't wait to see all my market friends and I hope to see all you out there, on Thursday the 5th. Thanks.

Ordinances and Resolutions

ORDINANCE NO. 16-2014

ACCEPTING THE BEST BID FOR THE ACCESSORY PACKAGE AND UP-FIT EQUIPMENT TO BE FABRICATED AND INSTALLED ON A NEW 2015 CAB AND CHASSIS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Squires made a motion to adopt; Mrs. Harlow seconded the motion.

Mr. Parham: Council, I think Mr. Thamann may have touched on this with you at the last meeting, but there were two bids that we received on the upfit equipment. There were zero bids that we received in time on the cab and chassis. Henderson Truck Equipment was the lower of the two, for \$34,987. The Kaffenbarger Truck Equipment bid was \$37,430. The reason that staff has recommended going with the higher bid, Kaffenbarger, is, number one, there is a spreader that is a part of the unit and the one submitted by Henderson is one that, first and foremost, is not the one that was spec'd out, and number two, the one that they submitted, staff was concerned that, where it's located. If once we fill the truck, the vehicle with salt, it would then potentially bottom out and begin scraping the new equipment, the new spreader, and so it was determined that it would be best that we go with the Kaffenbarger. Again their low bid for the truck, as spec'd out, was \$37,430; there is a slight additional charge

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of \$400 and that's the difference between going to a steel bed versus an aluminum bed. One of the problems we've been having with the truck, particularly in the Park's vehicle, is rusting. So the staff wanted to go with the steel bed and that added the additional \$400 on it. So that's the first part of this process.

Mr. Parham: The second part of it is, if we're going to have upfit equipment that we're asking you to adopt legislation for, we need something to put the equipment on. And so we had staff go out and make contact with a number of the Ford dealerships: Kerry Ford, Russ Ford, and the third one escapes me, but we contacted three of the Ford dealerships. Two of the dealerships, Russ and the one that I can't think of right now, actually held the 2014 state bid contracts. Of course, those contracts have now expired. Making contact with those two vendors and Kerry Ford we were able to get a price from them to purchase a cab and chassis. The Kerry Ford price was at \$32,700; the other two were in the neighborhood of \$35,000. Since we can purchase the cab chassis at \$32,000, under our \$50,000, through a purchase order, we need Council to lock in the upfit bid, hence the reason we wanted the legislation tonight. In addition, when we begin to combine the two numbers, it's going to exceed the \$50,000. With that, we ask that the Council positively consider this legislation tonight.

Ordinance No. 16-2014 passed with seven affirmative votes.

ORDINANCE NO. 17-2014

DISPOSING OF THE 1990 CHEVROLET CAPRICE D.A.R.E. VEHICLE TO CAMP SAFETY EQUIPMENT, INC. FOR CREDIT FOR FUTURE SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

Mr. Squires: Mr. Parham, correct me if I'm wrong on this, but that car, being 24 years old, we couldn't get parts for it anymore, could we?

Mr. Parham: It probably was a little challenging. The car had served us well and probably met its' last leg.

Mr. Squires: I like the one we got.

Mr. Parham: You like that one?

Mr. Squires: Yes, I do. I think the kids like it too.

Mr. Parham: Yes, I think the commercial there are chipmunks or something that jumps out of the car.

Mr. Vanover: Hamsters.

Mr. Parham: They're hamsters? I couldn't tell. I'm not an animal guy. I think we'll keep those out of the vehicle. I know the DARE officer is really excited. I saw her at the Arbor Day celebration over at Heritage Hill. She came up and thanked me a number of times for us investing into the vehicle and replacing it. She had just seen it that day; I think it gave her a couple of cool points.

Mr. Squires: She is excited; I saw her this afternoon and she definitely expressed her thanks.

Ordinance No. 17-2014 passed with seven affirmative votes.

Old Business - none

New Business - none

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Meetings and Announcements

Mr. Squires: It will be a while, but the Board of Health will go on their summer recess and they will not meet again until September, that date being September 11th.

Mr. Diehl: The Finance Committee will meet June the 4th, at 6:00 P.M. in the Administration Conference Room.

Mr. Hawkins: Board of Zoning Appeals will meet on June 17th at 7:00 p.m. in these chambers.

Mr. Thamann: Earlier the Mayor mentioned the ceremony with the laying of the wreath at the Veteran's memorial on Friday. Mr. Agricola sent me a notice today that GEEAA, the Aviation Group over on Crescentville, they will have approximately 18 volunteers here tomorrow, helping with final spring cleanup of the memorial, including some minor trimming, mulching, and some planting of some annual flowers around the whole Veteran's memorial area. Mr. Agricola told me, with that much help, and then four or five guys from our Public Works Department, he said, you're taking a several day project and basically condensing it down to roughly four hours of work, so it's tremendous. The GEEAA people enjoy doing it; they said they will continue to do it as long as we allow them, so that's wonderful that they're volunteering to do that.

Mr. Thamann: Then also finally, the Rumpke tour is tomorrow, 1:00 p.m. I sent a message out to the Department Directors to let their employees know. Transportation, that's on your own, but there' are a few that signed up and it starts at 1:00 p.m. Thank you.

Mr. Knox: I believe some time in June we're supposed to have a meeting of the Committee to take a look at the Zoning Ordinances. When is that scheduled? Mr. Nienaber last night told me he had not been informed and neither had I.

Mr. Parham: It is scheduled for June 11th, which I believe is a Wednesday, at 3:30 p.m. and I know Mr. McErlane sent out an email. I don't know everyone's email address but I could have sworn your address was on there but we'll check. In fact, he sent out two emails - the first one he sent out, he did not have Mrs. Harlow, I believe, and I think he had Mr. Diehl and then I called him and said it's Mrs. Harlow instead of Mr. Diehl on the committee and then on follow-up I also questioned him about the timing because, although some are retired, some may not be retired and have to work. However, he said everyone got back with him and indicated the time of the meeting was okay.

Mr. Knox: Last evening Mr. Nienaber said he couldn't make it until 4:00.

Mr. Parham: I will raise the issue with Mr. McErlane.

Communications from the Audience

- none

Mrs. Emerson made a motion that Council go into Executive Session as a committee of the whole to discuss land acquisition. Mr. Hawkins seconded. There were seven affirmative votes to go into Executive Session.

Executive Session - Land Acquisition

Update on Legislation Still in Development

Mr. Hawkins: If you review your memo, Item I was dispensed with Ordinance No. 16-2014; it passed with 7-0 vote. Item II was dispensed with Ordinance No. 17-2014, which passed with 7-0 vote. Item III, IV, and V are all forthcoming.

Recap of Legislative Items Requested for next Council meeting

Mr. Hawkins: Requesting legislation for an Ordinance authorizing participation with the City of Forest Park in competitive and cooperative bid process for the purchase of rock salt and declaring an Emergency.

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Mayor Webster: Jerry, Mrs. Harlow just asked me about tomorrow's tour; where is that?

Mr. Thamann: The address is 5535 Vine Street, so if you google it, it's 45217. Down on Vine Street, north end of St. Bernard.

Mr. Hawkins made a motion to Adjourn; Mr. Knox seconded.

Council adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:

Tom Vanover, President of Council

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