

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
August 3, 2011  
6:00 p.m.

Council: Mayor Eric Baca, Vice Mayor Dan Muth, Connie Hunt, Susan Silva and Ron Thebeau

Staff: Steve West Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Mike Nuttall, Sharon Pinckard and Linda Matthews and Janie Henson.

Public: Becki Christensen Chamber Director, Steve Christensen and Tammi Jo Anders Boys & Girls Club, LaVerl Ashcroft, Barry & Bonnie Weller, Linda Tanner, Tom Samoff, Ann Aveneth, Sam Ponon, Kim Beneh, Roberta Peterson, Lynne Breyer, Teresa Becker, Mary Carol Joy and Susan Martin and Hank Rogers EDAC.

1. Mayor Baca called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with a quorum present.
2. Vice Mayor Muth led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Participation: Steve Christensen & Tammi Anders gave a brief update on the Boys & Girls Club. They reported they are working with the Town of Eagar to take over the swimming pool building. They would like to fill in the pool and turn it into a roller skating rink, and envisioning basketball and volley, gymnastics and archery. There is now a website RBBG.com and liked to Facebook and Twitter. The Club will have an open house this Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and encouraged everyone to come.
4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Councilmember Hunt reported they attended the Coalition meeting today and discussed the Boys and Girls Club and the senior center might have booths at the Provident Living taking place at the LDS Stake Center.

Chamber Director Becki Christensen gave an update on the Buy Local surveys and will be soliciting information from local residents on what they purchase out of town and if the products were available would they buy local. They are partnering with the City of St. Johns Chamber of Commerce to partner in an event called Country Fire to take place at Lyman Lake with lots of activities including fireworks and bands on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. She reported that Tony Kyle the Business Consultant hired has identified 4 big events to bring. The Winter Jamboree, the expos for the winter sports equipment, and liquidation at the end of the season. They would like to bring in big suppliers of winter type sports equipment. She said she was willing to award a Business of the Year award and invited Springerville to participate and when they would like to do this. She said Tony Kyle would give a briefing after his team conference. He did say that we need to spruce up the entrance to town. The next Chamber Mixer will be on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

5. Consent Items:

Dan Muth/Susan Silva motion to approve consent items 5a-5b.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca
		Dan Muth

Connie Hunt  
Susan Silva  
Ron Thebeau

6. Old Business: None

7. 2011-2012 FY Tentative Budget:

Connie Hunt/Dan Muth motion to adopt the Springerville FY 2011-2012 tentative budget.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca Dan Muth Connie Hunt Susan Silva
	Nays:	Ron Thebeau

8. Tourism Tax Request:

1) National Barrel Horse Association request in the amount of \$2000.00

Dan Muth/Connie Hunt motion to approve \$2,000 for the National Barrel Horse Association.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca Dan Muth Connie Hunt Susan Silva Ron Thebeau
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2) Chamber of Commerce request in the amount of \$1,000 for Country Fire 2011

Connie Hunt/Susan Silva motion to approve the request of the Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$1,000 for the Country Fire 2011 event.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca Dan Muth Connie Hunt Susan Silva Ron Thebeau
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9. HUD: North Eastern Arizona Planning Grant: Overview by Hank Rogers with (EDAC) Economic Development Apache County.

Hank Rogers explained that there are 3 Steering Committees, the Town of Eagar, the Hopi Tribe and The White Mountain Apache Tribe. Springerville hasn't selected a Steering Committee as yet. Brian Cole will be coming to Springerville to work with the Steering Committee selected by Springerville. The Steering Committee put together their lists of strengths and weaknesses.

Mr. Rogers was asked which entities had backed out? He said Apache County, Navajo County, Show Low and Holbrook are out. He said he is working with some of them and some of them may come back.

Manager West explained that the town holds two seats and Councilmember Hunt is one representative and he is the other. He further stated that the town has not committed

Councilmember Thebeau stated that he is totally against this and doesn't see how this could benefit the community in any way and doesn't feel the town should sign on.

Zoning Administrator Chris Chiesl explained that this is a 3 year planning grant that includes the three Tribes. The focus will be on Economic Development and how this could be fostered for a 20 year period for all the Consortium members. At the end of the three year period, the Consultant for the grant, Brian Cole, will develop plans for each Consortium member utilizing "Building Communities 25 Strategies". The individual plans will then be analyzed to see how they overlap with each communities plans and what resources can be developed as a Regional shared platform.

Mr. Rogers further noted this would give the community priority status on funding over other communities if we are on this plan. He explained that each community if on the Consortium would receive \$5,000 over a 3 year period to reimburse for expenses.

Manager West told the council the Town hasn't been signed up at present and we can opt in or out at any time.

10. Resolution 2011-R011 regarding support of Senate Bill- 1344 Salvage Logging Bill.

Dan Muth/Ron Thebeau motion to adopt resolution 2011-R010 in support of Senate Bill 1344 salvage logging.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca
		Dan Muth
		Connie Hunt
		Susan Silva
		Ron Thebeau

11. Adjournment:

Dan Muth/Ron Thebeau motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

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Eric Baca, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 3, 2011. I further certify that the meeting was duly posted and a quorum was present.

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Town Clerk