

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
June 1, 2011  
6:00 p.m.

Present: Eric Baca Mayor, Dan Muth Vice Mayor, Connie Hunt and Susan Silva

Excused: Ron Thebeau

Staff: Steve West Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk and Tim Shaffery Legal Counsel and Karen Asquith CFO, Suzanne Ely and Patricia Ballejos.

Public: Kevin Burk, Tammi-Jo Anders and Steve Christensen.

Mayor Baca called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Participation: None

4. Manager, Council, and Chamber Reports:

Councilmember Muth reported the planning and zoning will be hearing a request for a conditional use permit at the next meeting for a sign permit and a home business.

Karen Asquith briefed the council said she wanted to give the council a heads up on things that were taking place in this budget. She said we will be using some of the reserves accumulated over the last two years and the 2<sup>nd</sup> issue is the utility fund and the need for infrastructure improvements. There will be borrowing in this budget to cover the infrastructure improvements. She said they would go into detail during the 16<sup>th</sup> budget meeting.

Manager West explained that the infrastructure Karen was referencing is the need to redo the water tanks. This includes the tank on the hill and the tank east of town with new lines and general infrastructure improvements.

6. No Old Business:

New Business:

7. 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fire Works: Discussion and action regarding funding the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks show.

Manager West said they ask for a donation annually. Staff's recommendation for funding is \$2,500 to \$3,000 and the funds are available in the public relations fund.

Susan Silva/Dan Muth motion to approve \$4,000 for the fireworks.

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

8. **DONATION REQUEST:** Discussion and action regarding a donation request in the amount of \$20,000 for the Boys and Girls Club.

Manager West explained this is a cash donation and is not budgeted in this budget.

Steve Christensen spoke for the Boys and Girls Club saying they would committee to the council to work hard to make this request decrease each year but the benefits of the Club are many. He said they will approach close to \$140,000 this 1<sup>st</sup> year but they intend to get money from the Boys & Girls Club this fall. They really need the partnership in the form of money and it will stay here in the Valley. He said they will have 2 full time staff, a director and a program director. They will need this money annually. He introduced Tammi-Jo Anders the new Director for the Boys and Girls Club who said she is hoping to have a positive impact on the youth in our community.

When they were asked what the urgency was in getting the money they explained they are having a soft opening on June 21 and hope to be open in August when school starts. Mr. Christensen said they would be willing to have monthly funding instead of a lump sum of money. He further explained this is a private non-profit organization run by a local board with a top notch program. Ms. Anders said they have 5 core programs, education, career, health and life skills, sports and recreation, character and leadership and the arts.

Councilmember Silva said she thought this was a great program but until they go through the budget they won't know anything.

Manager West suggested they look at this through the budget session to decide the amount and when they can give it. It's would be premature to promise them something when we don't know. Everyone has a love for the children of this community and if there's a way for this council to do it they will.

Ms. Asquith said she currently has a balanced budget but she can put it in if the council would like her to but we would have a deficit.

Mayor Baca agreed we can't give something we don't know if we have until we go through the budget.

Dan Muth/Susan Silva motion to table the donation request of the Boys & Girls Club of Round Valley until council has a chance to review the request in terms of the FY 2011-2012.

9. Adjournment:

Dan Muth/Susan Silva motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 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 regular session on Wednesday, June 1, 2011. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011.

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Town Clerk