

Springerville Town Council
Minutes
March 2, 2011
6:00 p.m.

Council: Eric Baca Mayor, Dan Muth Vice Mayor, Connie Hunt, Susan Silva and Ron Thebeau.
Staff: Steve West Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Tim Shaffery Legal Counsel and Mike Nuttall Chief of Police.
Public: Jacob Port, Kevin Burk, Kelly Port and Becki Christensen Chamber Director

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:03p.m. by Mayor Baca
2. Councilmember Thebeau led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Participation: None
4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Manager West reported that the council workshop was good and he now has direction on future goals of the council. He said he will format the results and put them in the council's boxes. He reported the bids on the electrical vault at the airport were opened today. The apparent low bidder was local. The bids were mailed to the engineers for certification to make sure everything specked is in the plan.

Councilmember Hunt reported she and the manager went on a lengthy enjoyable tour of the Casa Malpais noting that Linda Matthews does a very good tour. At today's Coalition meeting they discussed putting together a community musical production around August. They are going to work with the chamber on a Christmas project and hope to have many days of activities around Christmas time. She said she attended a meeting regarding organizing a Boys and Girls Club locally. She noted we don't have youth programs or recreation for them and felt that as a council they find money to support this group.

Manager West at the request of Councilmember Silva reported on the outreach meeting for the local contractors. We are trying to get local talent to bid on these grants to educate them on the project. There were about 8 contractors present for this meeting, some of whom have come back to look over the plans available here for the airport terminal project.

Chamber Director Christensen reported that on behalf of the Sheriff's Posse, the Chamber filed an application to make the 100th Rodeo a Sanctioned Event and were approved. They also filed an application to make Jay Whitmore's Constitutional Study called "The Making of America" an event every 4th of July. The Chrome in the Dome will be April 16th and will have the "Copper Chopper" here during the event. The chopper is designed by a famous motorcycle maker for the 2012 Centennial.

5. Consent Items:

Consider approval of the February 2, 2011 council minutes and consider ratification and approval of the January 2011 accounts payable.

Dan Muth/Ron Thebeau motion to approve consent items 5a through 5b.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca Dan Muth Connie Hunt Susan Silva Ron Thebeau
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6: Old Business: None

7. Ordinance 2011-001- 1st Reading and discussion of Ordinance 2011-001 amending the Town Code Chapter 6. "ANIMALS" Section 6.16.120 PENALTIES" establishing an effective date; providing for severability and providing penalties for violations and declaring an emergency.

Connie Hunt/Ron Thebeau motion to adopt Ordinance 2011-001 amending the Town Code.

Discussion: Mr. Shaffery Legal Counsel noted the wording in Section 1, subsection B has words missing and if they adopt this ordinance tonight adopt it with corrections.

Councilmember Hunt amended her motion to state with corrections.

Vote:	Ayes:	Eric Baca Dan Muth Connie Hunt Susan Silva Ron Thebeau
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8. Draft Medical Marijuana Ordinance: Discussion and action regarding adopting an ordinance on Medical Marijuana.

Discussion: The consensus of the council was to have a way to monitor marijuana dispensaries and growth of plants in homes.

Councilmember Muth said that the State Health Department has 12 hospital medical districts in the state. It is the State Health Departments intent to have a dispensary in each special district and feels we need to fast track this.

Manager West explained that we need to meet or have stricter guidelines that those the State puts in place. This can be reviewed again in another year.

Councilmember Thebeau expressed his concerns with not being able to use cargo containers for the use of a dispensary.

Councilmember Muth explained that planning and zoning can later review cargo container issues but they should direct planning and zoning to move forward with this ordinance.

Councilman Thebeau noted that we will need to address guidelines for growing marijuana in the home.

He was advised by Kevin Burk a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission that anyone wanting to grow medical marijuana at home will have to apply for a conditional use permit.

The council directed staff to bring the ordinance back for adoption.

Manager West said we would have this on the next agenda for adoption.

9. Storage Revisions: Discussion and action regarding revisions to the ban on storage containers in residential areas.

Connie Hunt/Ron Thebeau motion to have discussion and action regarding revisions on the ban to storage containers in residential areas.

Discussion: Manager West explained that we are trying to allow them in residential areas with some concessions. He said this action is to direct staff to bring this in ordinance form for adoption with specific changes to allow them in residential with concessions.

Councilmember Thebeau noted his concerns with having containers conform to building codes and the screening of the containers, saying he would like to be at the next planning and zoning meeting to state his concerns. Mr. West asked him to put this information in writing and bring them to him and he would get them to the P & Z Chairman in advance.

Mayor Baca said the action was to direct staff, and the council agreed.

Manager West gave the council the options for giving staff direction.

1. Direct staff to bring this back in ordinance form for adoption as presented.
2. Direct staff to make specific changes to this document and bring it back in ordinance form.
3. Send the document back to P&Z for reconsideration of specific points.

The council agreed they would like to direct staff to send this back to planning and zoning.

10. Tony Kyle-Life & Business Coach: Discussion and action regarding entering into a Marketing agreement with Tony Kyle Life & Business Coach for consulting services to promote the communities of Springerville and Eagar.

Dan Muth/Susan Silva motion to approve the agreement with Tony Kyle Marketing Consultants to market Round Valley.

Discussion: Mayor Baca expressed concern that 3 months won't be long enough and we would have to extend the time to a year at a cost of \$19,000.

Manager West explained this would be to market the area not to promote it. He will either make it or break it in 3 months and will know in that amount of time whether we want him to continue or not.

The consensus of the council was that they would prefer to have him present at the next council meeting so they ask him questions.

Councilmember Hunt felt the chamber shouldn't have to pay for this marketing.

Chamber Director Christensen addressed the council saying that the most valuable asset Mr. Kyle has is the contacts outside of our area. He won't be promoting us in the 3 months but helping devise a plan and finalize what can be done to be successful in marketing our area.

ATTEST:

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, March 2, 2011. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 8th day of March, 2011.

Town Clerk