

CITY OF SPRINGBORO
320 W. CENTRAL AVENUE, SPRINGBORO, OH

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2011

6:00 PM

COUNCIL

John Agenbroad, Mayor
Tom LaDu, Deputy Mayor Marie Belpulsi
Jim Chmiel Sheila Lairson
Bruce Moore David Vomacka

CITY STAFF

Chris Thompson, City Manager
Chris Pozzuto, Assistant City Manager
Alan Schaeffer, Law Director
Lori Martin, Clerk of Council

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Agenbroad called the Springboro, Ohio City Council Work Session to order on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio.

ITEM 2. ATTENDANCE. Council: All present. **Staff:** Ms. Thompson, Mr. Pozzuto, Mr. Schaeffer, and Ms. Martin were present.

ITEM 3. LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. – Ten legislative items were reviewed for December 15.

1) **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: SECOND READING.** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1271.02, EXTERIOR LIGHTING, OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No discussion.

2) **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: FIRST READING.** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF MONIES; THEREBY AMENDING ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 0-11-1 OF THE CITY OF SPRINGBORO, OHIO PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 16, 2010 FOR THE YEAR 2011; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No discussion.

3) **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: FIRST READING.** AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGBORO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

No discussion.

- 4) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR 78 CLUB CARS AND 1 BEVERAGE CART WITH WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING, INC.

Mr. Chmiel mentioned that he has seen golf carts before that have a screen and ball gauge system on board to help golfers locate their balls more easily. Mr. Chmiel asked if this would be something the City would consider installing in carts at Heatherwoode, as it may be unique to the region.

Mr. LaDu commented that Yankee Trace in Centerville had those systems in the golf carts for a little while and charged a premium to use this type of cart. Mr. LaDu described the system as a shot tracker and added that the extra charge was approximately \$10.00 for a round of golf.

Ms. Thompson stated these systems are expensive and she would be concerned that it would possibly be just another thing that could break, but added that the City could look into the cost. Ms. Thompson stated that the golf course would have to raise their rates to incorporate something like this into the carts. Ms. Thompson further stated that she heard that in Centerville there were issues with operator error and golfers would get upset with the golf course because they were not operating the system correctly.

Mr. LaDu asked if it would be possible to have something like this system in a portable form available for rental in the pro shop.

Mr. Pozzuto commented that if you have a smart phone you can download an App for virtually any golf course in the country and using GPS technology it serves a similar purpose in helping to track shots.

- 5) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AMERICA'S DECORATIVE CONCRETE, LLC TO COMPLETE THE SOUTH MAIN STREET SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, PHASE 3 PROJECT.

No discussion.

- 6) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RHULE EXCAVATING INC. TO COMPLETE THE WEST CENTRAL AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, PHASE 1 PROJECT.

Mr. Chmiel stated he would abstain from the vote on this resolution at tonight's Regular Meeting.

- 7) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RHULE EXCAVATING INC. TO COMPLETE THE SOUTH PIONEER BLVD. SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

Mr. Chmiel stated he would abstain from the vote on this resolution at tonight's Regular Meeting.

- 8) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MILLER CABLE COMPANY TO COMPLETE THE STATE ROUTE 741 AT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT.

Mr. Vomacka asked why a traffic signal on SR741 at the Junior High School is necessary.

Ms. Thompson explained that this traffic light will be on the opposite side of the roadway of the current light.

Mr. Vomacka asked if the traffic light could be installed to turn off when it is not needed.

Ms. Thompson stated that she has informed all of the traffic engineers and staff that this light will not need to be on a normal cycle, as it is only necessary for it to be red a few times per day. Ms. Thompson further stated that if this is not the way the light is installed to function; she will address the issue. Ms. Thompson explained that the City is incurring the liability of putting a sidewalk on the opposite side of the street without a safe way to cross. Ms. Thomson further explained that she asked the engineers to visit other municipalities and see how they dealt with this situation and it was determined that, on a state route, a traffic signal is the only safe way to provide for crossing the roadway.

Ms. Lairson asked if this light will have a sensor so that it will only change if there is someone waiting to exit.

Ms. Thompson stated that traffic light sensors exist at most traffic lights throughout the City, but this light will be monitored and any issues that arise will be worked out.

Mr. Moore asked about the light that is going in near Children's Hospital and why that light is necessary or if it would be used primarily for emergency vehicles.

Ms. Thompson stated that the signal planned for West Tech Road is part of the entire access management plan for the Austin Interchange and the CFI (Continuous Flow Intersection). The signal will be part of a larger project in the future that will correct the problems that have occurred due to the poor traffic counts that exist at Austin. Ms. Thompson explained that the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has admitted that the traffic numbers could not have been worse. The traffic counts are at 85% of the 2035 traffic count estimates for Austin already and the CFI is literally not functioning. Ms. Thompson further explained that the long term solution is actually to add a lane between Austin Boulevard and the City's corporation limits south, which would make it a seven lane stretch of road with turn lanes and through lanes. ODOT's engineers have determined that this is the best solution. Ms. Thompson stated that ODOT will ask the City to participate in this although they do realize this is their error that has caused all of this to happen. Ms. Thompson stated that everyone who was involved admits that the intersection is a mess.

Ms. Lairson asked why the right hand turn lanes are not merge lanes.

Ms. Thompson explained that that is what she is referring to in regard to fixing the problem by adding a lane. The lanes are not built to be merge lanes now because of the way traffic flows into town. Ms. Thompson further explained that if a lane is added it will become a continuous turn lane.

Mr. Vomacka commented that the original project called for a four legged CFI, but there were groups who did not like this idea; therefore, it became a two legged CFI.

Ms. Thompson stated that in the immediate future the thought is that the light at West Tech will help relieve some of the stacking at Austin for people trying to turn left. Ms. Thompson further stated that with the traffic numbers they are seeing now the City is already warranted for the traffic light. Ms. Thompson added that with the future development within South Tech, there is no way the traffic can be handled with the existing traffic signal pattern. The airport will also have to change their entrance to align with some of the traffic signalization issues because it is currently virtually impossible to exit the airport.

Mr. Chmiel asked if the City will be asked to pay a share if SR741 is expanded by ODOT since the current traffic issue resulted from their original planning and their count projections, which are about 20 years off.

Ms. Thompson stated that the District Director has readily admitted they screwed up, but she fully expects ODOT will come back to the City to pay for some of the "fix." Ms. Thompson further stated that she applauds ODOT for taking the position they did in admitting that the counts were so wrong. Ms. Thompson added that she does feel they do have a solution on the table that they are trying to make sure will work.

- 9) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SMITHCORP, INC. TO COMPLETE THE TAMARACK TRAIL WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT, PHASE 1 PROJECT.

No discussion.

- 10) **RESOLUTION:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH G.M. PIPELINE, INC. TO COMPLETE THE EAST CENTRAL AVENUE 12" WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

No discussion.

ITEM 4. CITY MANAGER. –Issues/Reports.

Goal Setting Session: *Ms. Thompson stated that she sent a memo to Council regarding conflicts with the original meeting date of January 14 for the annual goals session, as this is a holiday weekend. The feedback that she has received from Council indicates that Saturday, January 28 is the best alternative date. Ms. Thompson asked Ms. Iverson and Mr. Hruska if this date would work for them; they indicated that it would. Accordingly, the Annual Goals Session will be held on Saturday, January 28 at 8:00 AM in the Community Room.*

ODOT Meeting: *Ms. Thompson informed Council that the meeting with ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) regarding the West Tech signal did go as well as expected. Ms. Thompson stated that discussions regarding the SR 73 Ramp C, the new ramp, also went well. ODOT has given permission to allow the TID (Transportation Improvement District) to contract with Lockwood, Jones & Beals for the preliminary engineering. The City did receive \$200,000 in House Bill 114 monies for the preliminary engineering. The City will be short \$200,000 or more, but will apply for this additional funding in 2013. It will be the same money, but for a different year. Ms. Thompson stated that an application is also being submitted to MVRPC (Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission) for \$2.5 million more or less for the ramp project. Ms. Thompson finally commented that the project is really moving along and she is very pleased with the progress.*

Miller Valentine Contribution: *Ms. Thompson commented that the City has received a generous contribution of \$2,500 for community services after meeting with Mike Green, President of the Residential Division of Miller Valentine. Ms. Thompson further commented that the donation has been split between Operation Santa and the Springboro Community Assistance Center, which is basically the food pantry. Ms. Thompson explained that each organization will receive \$1,250 to help needy families this holiday season and any balances left over can be used as a reserve for the future. Ms. Thompson stated that this donation was overwhelmingly generous and she is extremely appreciative and impressed by this gesture. Ms. Thompson stated that Officer Walsh, who administers Operation Santa, was approximately \$600 shy this year of being able to fill all of the families' requests for Christmas and this donation will put her in a very good position. Ms. Thompson also stated that this contribution speaks very well of the Miller Valentine group and expressed her thanks. Ms. Thompson finally commented that Mr. Green has requested only that pictures be taken of the events with the families that Operation Santa benefits and she informed him that the City would be happy to pass them along.*

Fischer Development: Ms. Thompson stated that Fisher Development has brought in plans for the clubhouse in The Springs development. The engineering and planning departments are reviewing the plans now and there have been just a few comments on the setbacks and things of the nature that Fischer is supposed to be correcting. Fischer also brought in some plans for a residential unit that had some fairly significant things to discuss with the planning and zoning departments, but the development is moving along.

Volunteer Appreciation Event: Ms. Thompson thanked Council for the involvement and attendance at the volunteer appreciation event on December 9 at Heatherwoode and added that she hoped everyone enjoyed themselves.

Executive Session: Ms. Thompson requested an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing imminent litigation.

At this time, Mayor Agenbroad requested an Executive Session, under R.C.121.22(G), following the Work Session discussion to discuss imminent litigation; whereby, the City Law Director will be present.

Ms. Lairson motioned to enter Executive Session under R.C.121.22(G), following the Work Session discussion, to discuss imminent litigation. Mr. Vomacka seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes. [7-0]

ITEM 5. CLERK OF COUNCIL. –Issues/Reports.

Calendar Update: The Christmas Holiday will be observed on Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26; whereby, the City offices will be closed. The first City Council Work Session of 2012 will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 6:00 PM followed by the City Council Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

MVCC/MVRMA Training Program for Elected Officials: Ms. Martin commented that advanced notice has been distributed regarding a training program for new and seasoned elected officials on Wednesday, February 8, 8:00 AM-3:00 PM at Heatherwoode Golf Club. The program is sponsored by the Miami Valley Communications Council and the Miami Valley Risk Management Association and will introduce newly elected officials to municipal government basics and serve as a refresher for seasoned officials.

Council Member Marie Belpulsi Retirement/Farewell Reception: Ms. Martin reminded everyone that Ms. Belpulsi's retirement reception will be held on Thursday, January 12, 5:30-7:30 at Heatherwoode. Invitations were mailed today and Council Members will be receiving invitations as a reminder.

ITEM 6. CITY COUNCIL. –Issues/Reports.

Mr. Moore – Mr. Moore commented that he would update Council on a conference that he and Mr. Vomacka attended this past week at tonight's Regular Meeting under Reports.

Mr. Chmiel – No issues/reports.

Ms. Belpulsi – No issues/reports.

Mr. Vomacka – Mr. Vomacka will present an Architectural Review Board report at tonight's Regular Meeting under Committee Reports.

Ms. Lairson – No issues/reports.

Mr. LaDu – No issues/reports.

Mayor Agenbroad – Mayor Agenbroad informed Council that there will be proclamations and gifts to be presented out at tonight's Regular Meeting under Final Comments. Mayor Agenbroad added that Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi will also be given an opportunity to make any closing remarks that they may have as they end their terms on Council.

Mayor Agenbroad informed Council that he will be requesting a moment of silence for Mr. Walden Storie, who recently passed away. Mr. Storie was a long-time resident of Springboro, a Korean War Veteran, and served as Grand Marshal in the parade.

Executive Session: At approximately 6:29 PM, City Council entered Executive Session to discuss imminent litigation with the Law Director in attendance.

With no objections, City Council exited Executive Session at approximately 6:35 PM; whereby, no votes were taken.

ITEM 7. ADJOURNMENT. With no further discussion, Mayor Agenbroad adjourned the December 15, 2011 City Council Work Session at approximately 6:35 PM.

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ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Agenbroad called the Springboro, Ohio City Council Regular Meeting to order on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Springboro Municipal Building, 320 W. Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio.

ITEM 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Mayor Agenbroad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 3. ROLL CALL. Agenbroad, Present; Belpulsi, Present; Chmiel, Present; LaDu, Present; Lairson, Present; Moore, Present; Vomacka, Present. Staff: Ms. Thompson, Mr. Pozzuto, Mr. Schaeffer, and Ms. Martin were present.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 1, 2011.

Ms. Belpulsi motioned to approve the Minutes of the City Council Work Session and Regular Meeting of December 1, 2011. Mr. Chmiel seconded the motion.

No corrections.

VOTE: Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes. [7-0]

ITEM 5. PRESENTATIONS: Council Member Elect Rebecca Iverson, Councilmember Elect Gary Hruska, and Mayor Elect John Agenbroad took the Oath of Office and were sworn in by Law Director Alan Schaeffer to serve the City of Springboro as elected officials for a term beginning January 1, 2012.

Alan Schaeffer, City Law Director, administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Elect Becky Iverson and Council Member Elect Gary Hruska respectively; whereby, they were sworn in to serve the City of Springboro as City Council Members for a four-year term beginning on January 1, 2012. Mr. Schaeffer then administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Elect John Agenbroad; whereby, he was sworn in to serve the City of Springboro as Mayor

for a four-year term beginning on January 1, 2012. The newly elected officials greeted Council Members with a handshake. Mayor Agenbroad's wife, Patti, received a presentation bouquet. (A copy of the Oath of Office for each elected official will be filed with the minutes for the record.)

Mayor Agenbroad thanked Mr. Schaeffer for administering the ceremony.

ITEM 6. LEGISLATION: City Council held a Work Session at 6:00 PM tonight for approximately 29 minutes to discuss the following legislation as well as other City business followed by a 6 minute Executive Session to discuss imminent litigation.

- 1) **EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: SECOND READING.** "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1271.02, EXTERIOR LIGHTING, OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This is the second reading of an ordinance amending section 1271.02, Exterior Lighting, of the Planning and Zoning Code and was the subject of the Public Hearing held on December 1, 2011. Staff requests that this ordinance be declared an emergency in order for it to be implemented as soon as possible for developers and businesses in the community. Ms. Thompson stated that this legislation was the topic of a Public Hearing a few weeks ago and it will allow for the exterior lighting language through the Planning Commission to accept a color temperature standard of no more than 3500 degrees Kelvin (K). This is a fairly pleasant volume of light and the maximum color and temperature will help control what the light looks like in all of the commercial and residential developments. The tone, color and intensity of this light will mimic a great deal of the lighting that is already in place in the City.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

No discussion.

No action required at this time.

- 2) **ORDINANCE O-11-34: FIRST READING.** "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF MONIES; THEREBY AMENDING ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. O-11-1 OF THE CITY OF SPRINGBORO, OHIO PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 16, 2010 FOR THE YEAR 2011; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This is the first reading of an ordinance authorizes supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$41,030.37 for the year-end 2011. This legislation was prepared by Finance Director Robyn Brown and will actually decrease the annual appropriations by \$41,030.37. It is requested that Council consider a motion to waive the second and third readings of this ordinance in order to properly appropriate funds.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Ms. Belpulsi motioned to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of this ordinance. Mr. Vomacka seconded the motion

No discussion.

VOTE: Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes. [7-0]

Mr. Chmiel motioned to adopt Ordinance O-11-34. Ms. Lairson seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes. [7-0]

- 3) **ORDINANCE O-12-1: FIRST READING.** "AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGBORO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This is the first reading of an ordinance making appropriations in the amount of \$46,534,936.00 for 2012. This legislation will allow the City to make appropriations to spend money in 2012. These expenditures do include all of the Budget Presentation and 5-Year Capital Improvement Program presentation amounts that were previously approved by Council. It is requested that Council consider a motion to waive the second and third readings of this ordinance in order to properly appropriate funds for expenditure.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Mr. Moore motioned to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings of this ordinance. Ms. Lairson seconded the motion

No discussion.

VOTE: LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes. [7-0]

Mr. LaDu motioned to adopt Ordinance O-12-1. Ms. Lairson seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes. [7-0]

- 4) **RESOLUTION R-11-51:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FOR 78 CLUB CARS AND 1 BEVERAGE CART WITH WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LEASING, INC," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a lease-agreement for a period of five years for 78 club cars and one beverage cart with Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Inc. for Heatherwoode Golf Course. The batteries in the current fleet needed to be replaced at an estimated cost of approximately \$50,000.00. Rather than paying this cost, it was determined that it would be more beneficial and cost effective for the City to renew the lease and get new carts. The City has used this company before and the golf course management has also recommended this company due to the success the City has had with them in the past.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Ms. Belpulsi motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-51. Mr. Vomacka seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes. [7-0]

- 5) **RESOLUTION R-11-52:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AMERICA'S DECORATIVE CONCRETE, LLC TO COMPLETE THE SOUTH MAIN STREET SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, PHASE 3 PROJECT," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with America's Decorative Concrete to complete the South Main Street Sidewalk Improvement, Phase 3 Project. The City has already installed sidewalk on South Main Street from Clearcreek Elementary all the way through the Heatherwoode subdivision. Phase 3 will take the sidewalk from Heatherwoode Boulevard to Edinburgh Drive. This legislation allows for a five foot concrete sidewalk to be constructed. The bids came in approximately \$20,000 under estimate. This legislation is part of an effort to fill in the gaps in the sidewalks around the City to continue to connect people from neighborhood to neighborhood.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Mr. LaDu motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-52. Mr. Chmiel seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes. [7-0]

- 6) **RESOLUTION R-11-53:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RHULE EXCAVATING INC. TO COMPLETE THE WEST CENTRAL AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, PHASE 1 PROJECT," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Rhule Excavating Inc. to complete the West Central Avenue Sidewalk Improvement, Phase 1 Project. This project will again help the City fill in some of the gaps on the sidewalk system. A five ft. wide sidewalk and curb and gutter will be installed on the South side of West Central Avenue across the frontage of LaComedia, McDonald's, and Long John Silver's. The engineer's estimate for this project is \$60,000 and the bid from Rhule Excavating is \$58,844.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Mr. Vomacka motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-53. Ms. Lairson seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Abstain; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes. [6-0-1]

- 7) **RESOLUTION R-11-54:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH RHULE EXCAVATING INC. TO COMPLETE THE SOUTH PIONEER BLVD. SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Rhule Excavating Inc. to complete the South Pioneer Boulevard Sidewalk Improvement Project. Again, this is legislation is for a five ft. wide section of sidewalk. This sidewalk will be installed along the east side of South Pioneer Boulevard from West Central Avenue to Victory Drive. The engineer's estimate for this project is \$50,000 and the bid from Rhule Excavating is \$33,336 so the bid again came in well under estimate.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Ms. Belpulsi motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-54. Ms. Lairson seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Abstain; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes. [6-0-1]

- 8) **RESOLUTION R-11-55:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MILLER CABLE COMPANY TO COMPLETE THE STATE ROUTE 741 AT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Miller Cable Company to complete the State Route 741 Junior High School Traffic Signal Project. This project will install a traffic signal at the intersection of State Route 741 and Springboro Junior High School. The sidewalk construction project approved under Legislative Item 5 requires the installation of a traffic signal to ensure the safe crossing of students. Video detection equipment will be installed as part of the project so that the light can be switched from red to green as necessary to minimize traffic stacking in the Junior High lane.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council. No questions/comments.

Mr. LaDu motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-55. Ms. Lairson seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes. [7-0]

- 9) **RESOLUTION R-11-56:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SMITHCORP, INC. TO COMPLETE THE TAMARACK TRAIL WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT, PHASE 1 PROJECT," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smithcorp, Inc to complete the Tamarack Trail Water Main Replacement, Phase 1 Project. This project has been recommended by Public Works Director Barry Conway to replace an old 6" water main on Tamarack Trail, from Clearcreek Franklin Road to Evergreen Drive, with a new 8" water main. The old main has ruptured many times and with winter coming soon it is anticipated it

will happen again. The engineer's estimate for this project is \$262,000 and the bid from Smithcorp, Inc. is \$239,747.50. Staff does recommend replacement of this water main.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council.

Mr. LaDu asked if it is anticipated that the project will be completed this year.

Ms. Thompson answered that the project will not be completed this year and that is why it is anticipated that the main will rupture again. Ms. Thompson commented that the main replacement will hopefully eliminate any further problems after the project is completed.

Mr. Vomacka motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-56. Mr. LaDu seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes. [7-0]

- 10) **RESOLUTION R-11-57:** "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH G.M. PIPELINE, INC. TO COMPLETE THE EAST CENTRAL AVENUE 12" WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT," was read by the Clerk of Council. Ms. Thompson's comments are summarized as follows:

This resolution authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract with G.M. Pipeline, Inc. to complete the East Central Avenue 12" Water Main Improvements Project. This legislation represents another water main project that will consist of extending a 12" water main from the east end of the Fieldstone Subdivision to Red Lion Five Points Road. The new water main will attach to an existing 12" main along Red Lion Five Points Road to allow for a better flow of the loop system, which the Public Works Director has iterated to the City is very critical. This system is critical especially in terms of fire safety. If something malfunctions within the loop, then the circular nature of it allows for fire protection to still be able to occur. This will be particularly beneficial for the Richard's Run Subdivision. The engineer's estimate for the project is \$300,000 and the bid from G.M. Pipeline, Inc. is \$237,000.

Mayor Agenbroad presented the item for questions/comments of Council.

Ms. Lairson motioned to adopt Resolution R-11-57. Mr. Vomacka seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore Yes; Vomacka, Yes. [7-0]

- ITEM 7. REPORTS: Mayor's Report** – The Christmas Holiday will be observed on Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 and the New Year's Day Holiday will be observed Monday, January 2; whereby, the City offices will be closed. The next City Council Work Session will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 6:00 PM followed by the City Council Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

City Manager's Report – Ms. Thompson reported that the City has been successful in the effort to cure some traffic problems with the installation of a new northbound ramp at SR73 and I-75. Ms. Thompson stated that this project is moving along nicely and ODOT has given the City permission to do preliminary engineering, which is a very big step. The City has also been working with ODOT and surrounding communities to the north on the Austin Interchange to try to find a solution to some of those traffic issues and to install a traffic signal

along that corridor that may help to relieve some of the problems. Ms. Thompson further stated that working with ODOT has been a good and successful experience for the City. The Warren County Transportation Improvement District, who is helping the City with the ramp, has been wonderful as well. The City currently has an application filed through the MVRPC (Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission), which the Warren County TID (Transportation Improvement District) is preparing for the City. Ms. Thompson explained that the application is for \$2.5 million for construction of the ramp and the City is hopeful that those funds will be received.

Ms. Thompson thanked Miller Valentine Corporation and Mr. Mike Green, who is the Residential Development President and a partner of Miller Valentine. Ms. Thompson stated that Miller Valentine has elected to donate \$1,250 to Operation Santa, which is a program that Police Officer Lisa Walsh handles through the Police Department to help needy families in the community. Miller Valentine is also donating \$1,250 to the Springboro Community Assistance Center. Ms. Thompson commented that this was a great Christmas and holiday benefit to the community and further commented that she would like to publically thank Miller Valentine for their generosity.

Committee Reports –

Mr. Moore – Mr. Moore reported that he and Mr. Vomacka recently attended a conference called "Across the Spectrum" in Columbus. Mr. Moore stated that the conference focus was the future of Ohio and the path to prosperity. Five sessions were held during the conference, which were very interesting. The sessions were as follows: *21st Century Government: Consolidation and Smart Growth, Reforming Healthcare: Improving Coverage and Outcome while Retaining Costs, Government Pensions: Balancing the Interest of the Public and their Employees, State and Local Taxes and Ohio's Future Prosperity, and Ohio's Constitutional Review: Maintaining Tradition and Meeting New Needs.* Mr. Moore further stated that this was a very interesting conference that Councilman Vomacka and he were privileged to attend and it allowed them to gain a lot of insight. Mr. Moore commented that listening to the Mayor of Toledo talk about working on regionalization and sharing with a Mayor from a village inside of Toledo stood out to him. Mr. Moore explained that the Toledo Mayor stated that the city and the village worked together to share resources such as a fire department and things of this nature and the end result was the saving of millions of dollars by consolidating efforts. Mr. Moore stated that he knows Springboro is doing a good job of this and commends everyone in that regard. Mr. Moore further stated that the City is always looking for ways to share resources with other communities and he continues to encourage this. Mr. Moore continued by stating that some of the obstacles the Mayor of Toledo stated that had to be overcome were things such as attitudes like "this is my turf" and political risks that some people felt they would have to take because of their positions. Again, the end result was that the consolidation efforts really worked because of all the funds that were saved and the establishment of a more efficient and beneficial system. Mr. Moore finally commented that the City has discussed parks in particular and sharing the maintenance, costs and expenses with neighboring communities and he would like to see those discussions continue.

Mr. Chmiel – No reports.

Ms. Belpulsi – No reports.

Mr. Vomacka – Architectural Review Board – Mr. Vomacka reported that the Architectural Review Board met on December 12 and approved a new sign for Springboro Shooting Sports located at 355 South Main Street. Mr. Vomacka commented that the Board also talked in detail about a work plan for the coming year and he feels there are a lot of very interesting tasks set forth. Mr. Vomacka also commented that he used the stimulus from that package to put together a list of things that Council could discuss working on next year when they hold

their Goal Setting Session in January. The next Architectural Review Board meeting is scheduled for January 9 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers, as scheduled.

Ms. Lairson – No reports.

Mr. LaDu – No reports.

ITEM 8. OTHER BUSINESS. At this time, Mayor Agenbroad announced that it has been the tradition of City Council and staff to honor departing Council Members. Mayor Agenbroad proceeded by presenting a proclamation in recognition and honor of departing Council Members Tom LaDu and Marie Belpulsi and thanked them for their service. (A copy of each proclamation will be filed with the minutes for the record.) Mayor Agenbroad also presented Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi with a service gift. Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi Mr. Hruska received a standing applause and shook hands with their Council colleagues.

ITEM 9. FINAL COUNCIL AND MANAGER COMMENTS. At this time, Mayor Agenbroad invited Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi to make any final comments.

Mr. LaDu commented as quoted: "Just a few quick comments . . . to the two new and returning members of Council I just have one piece of advice, which I have tried to live by which is listen more than you talk; you'll learn more. To our wonderful staff, thank you to all the members of our staff from our department heads to our Clerk to our seasonal labor you have been a huge part in making this town what it is; a wonderful place to live and raise a family. To my colleagues on Council thank you for your insights, support and friendship these last four years; I am forever grateful. Also, you have a terrific manager here in Chris Thompson, but do not mess it up when she retires. Chris Pozzuto is the right one to pass the manager baton to. Don't waste the taxpayers' money searching elsewhere. We've got the right guy, right here, right now. Lastly, to the residents of Springboro; although it was inevitable some decisions and votes were made that were not always popular, but I always kept the good of the entire City in mind when making them. I look forward to serving my beloved community again in the near future; it has been my great honor to serve you. Thank you."

Ms. Belpulsi commented as quoted: "As this is my last Council Meeting, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Springboro for allowing me to represent them for the past 18 years. Serving on Council has been an honor and a privilege. I believe we have come a long way over the years working with my council colleagues we have strengthened the foundation of the community where the quality of life for our residents is the number one priority and where business can thrive and prosper. I would like to thank all the Council Members I have worked with over the years. All of them are dedicated individuals whose only agenda is to make Springboro a wonderful place to live. Being a Council Member takes an enormous amount of time, which results in spending a lot of time away from our families. There are regular meetings twice a month City board and commission meetings we serve on, events to attend, issues to study . . . the list goes on. I would like to thank all our families Council and staff alike for their support and understanding, which allows us to do our jobs representing our community. Last, but not least, I would like to thank all of the City staff in Springboro, they are outstanding professionals that deeply care for our community. Lori Martin, our Clerk of Council, has been instrumental in keeping us informed and organized. Our management staff, Chris and Chris, have provided Council with critical information and guidance which allows us to make decisions that impact our community. Our public works staff is superior keeping our water system and sewer systems operating, parks maintained and our streets in good shape especially during snow emergencies. Our finance staff always making sure our financial house is in order. Our planning and economic development staff always working to promote our community and retain our businesses. Our Police Department is second to none. All our officers are excellent professionals, well trained and

caring with keeping us safe as their priority. Again, I thank you for the opportunity to represent you. I hope I have served you well; I wish you a very Merry Christmas and new year filled with joy and happiness. God Bless."

Mayor Agenbroad thanked Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi for their comments stating that they will be missed and also congratulated Ms. Iverson and Mr. Hruska on their election to Council and look forward to working with them in 2012.

At this time, Mayor Agenbroad asked for an Executive Session, under RC121.22(G), to discuss the compensation of public employee.

Mr. LaDu motioned to enter Executive Session, under RC121.22(G), following the Regular Order of Business to discuss the compensation of a public employee. Ms. Belpulsi seconded the motion.

No discussion.

VOTE: Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes; Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes. (7-0)

ITEM 10. GUEST COMMENTS. 1) Gary Hruska, Council Member Elect, 30 Renwood Place, Springboro – Mr. Hruska thanked Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi for their service and commented that he has served before and knows the sacrifice and commitments that have to be made and not everyone does, but he appreciates what they have done for the City. Mr. Hruska commented that he and Ms. Iverson have some big shoes to fill and he wished good luck to both Mr. LaDu and Ms. Belpulsi.

Mayor Agenbroad asked if there were any other guests that wished to be heard to please come to the podium and state their name for the record and make their comments accordingly. No other guests came forward.

In addition, Mayor Agenbroad stated that long term Springboro resident and Korean War Veteran Walden Storie passed away and he would like to observe a moment of silence. Mr. Storie had also served as Springboro's Grand Marshal.

A moment of silence was observed.

Mayor Agenbroad struck the gavel to end the moment of silence.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION. Council entered Executive Session following the Regular Order of Business at approximately 7:40 PM to discuss the compensation of a public employee.

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT. Mayor Agenbroad thanked the MVCC for tonight's telecast and scheduled rebroadcasts of this Springboro City Council Meeting. Mayor Agenbroad wished everyone a happy, safe, healthy holiday season and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. Vomacka motioned to adjourn the meeting; whereby, the Thursday, December 15, 2011 Springboro City Council Regular Meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at approximately 7:40 PM. Ms. Belpulsi seconded the motion.

VOTE: Chmiel, Yes; Moore, Yes; Vomacka, Yes; Lairson, Yes; LaDu, Yes; Agenbroad, Yes; Belpulsi, Yes. [7-0]

With no objections, City Council exited Executive Session at approximately 8:00 PM; whereby, no votes were taken.

With no further business, Mayor Agenbroad adjourned the December 15, 2011 City Council Regular Meeting at approximately 7:40 PM.

—MEETING ADJOURNED—

John H. Agenbroad

John H. Agenbroad, Mayor

Presiding Officer

Lori A. Martin, Clerk of Council