

MINUTES

SPRINGDALE TOWN BOARD

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025 AT 1:00 P.M.

1. **Call to order and certification of compliance with open meetings law** by Rosenbaum at 1:06 PM. A quorum of TB members present including Rosenbaum and Altschul, Schwenn absent. Admin/Clerk Arthur present as well as Plan Commission Chair Amy Jester and Attorney Alan Harvey. Arthur confirmed posting in accordance with the open meetings law on 7/1 springdalewi.gov and 7/1 at Town Hall. Mt. Horeb Mail & Sunlight Report notified 7/1, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.84(1)(b).

2. **Approval of the agenda** by unanimous consent.

3. **Discussion of Springdale code of ordinances recodification progress with Alan Harvey, Community Code Service.**

Discussion: The previously scheduled 7/11 meeting was cancelled at the last minute by Harvey. Today's meeting was intended to focus on discussion of driveway and land use plan updates. However, because of the recent and continuing delays, the meeting instead focused on previously promised deliverables still outstanding to-date – drafts of promised code sections, electronic version of current 1986 code, electronic version of Title 7 (licensing, submitted in only one paper copy to Arthur), and a guide of what Harvey has changed compared to what Springdale previously had.

Harvey was questioned on why existing Springdale ordinances were not incorporated in this latest draft submittal (Title 7). This recodification project was initiated mostly due to the urgent need to incorporate amendments and new additions passed over the past 3 decades into one code book. Omitted ordinances such as Riley Tavern's outdoor sound/consumption ordinance, dog licensing updates, the blasting ordinance, fee schedule irregularities and the sexually oriented business ordinance – among others – were brought to Harvey's attention. Harvey did not comment. Rosenbaum asked if Harvey was simply submitting boilerplate code provided for all municipalities for which this work is done. Harvey did not confirm nor deny.

Harvey/Community Code Service has been working on this recodification since September 2023; however, the first of 3 promised code installments has yet to be received. Harvey cited a laundry list of unexpected life circumstances that have gotten in the way of completing this work. Board and staff frustration was expressed due to the continual delays and failures to provide the town with even basic updates on progress. As such, it was decided that by noon on Monday (8/18), Harvey should come to town hall prepared to deliver the following items:

- Electronic version of completed titles to date,
- Electronic version of 1986 code,
- The promised "guide" of changes, comparing our existing code to what is new, and
- All physical materials taken originally.

If items are not delivered, Springdale will terminate its relationship with Community Code Service. Arthur will follow up by email with Harvey to recap expectations in advance of Monday's delivery.

4. **Adjournment**

MOTION (Altschul/Rosenbaum) to adjourn at 2:41 PM. 2 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Minutes taken and submitted by Administrator/Clerk Jackie Arthur.