

**MINUTES**  
**EAGAR & SPRINGERVILLE JOINT COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Springerville Council Chamber**  
**February 5, 2009**  
**6:00 P.M.**

SPRINGERVILLE COUNCIL PRESENT: Mary Nedrow, Mayor  
Eric Baca  
Ron Thebeau

EAGAR COUNCIL PRESENT: Kim Holaway, Mayor  
Byron Smith  
Steve Erhart  
Dustin Sanders  
Gary Finch

SPRINGERVILLE STAFF PRESENT: Steve West, Town Manager  
Val Cordova, Town Clerk

EAGAR STAFF PRESENT: Bill Greenwood, Town Manager  
Eva Wilson, Town Clerk

1. Mayor Mary Nedrow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. .
2. Mayor Nedrow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OLD BUSINESS**

3. COLLABORATIVE EVENT – Discussion regarding a collaborative event between both Towns to promote tourism.

Mayor Nedrow began the meeting with the continued discussion on an event to be hosted between both Town's during the Memorial Day weekend and called for reports from the various Councilors assignments.

4. Council & Town Manager Reports: Heard reports from council member's voluntary assignments.

Councilor Eric Baca said he would have a report for the next meeting.

Mayor Holaway said she checked on the band from the Valley and found that they would not be available. Other Councilors suggested staying with a local band. They didn't think a DJ would attract people to a dance because they like to listen to live music.

Although Councilor Nelson wasn't present he submitted a report on the ATV Tours saying they were a go noting that Hank Rogers suggested staying with the existing routes so they don't have to get special permits from the Forest Service. He is also working with Connie McDonald at the high school on the petting zoo to get him contact information on the animals for the zoo. Several suggestions were made for animals for the zoo.

Mayor Nedrow said she talked with the new Forest Service Supervisor reporting that he was in favor of it and said he would need information on the types of tours being requested. He would also supply maps of hiking, biking and ATV Tours and she was able to get tours from High School and the Cushman Museum.

The types of tours suggested were: Lakes, ATV, wildlife areas, bird watching, Greens Peak Fire Tower, Vista View on Big Lake Road.

Mayor Nedrow said they would guide the tours and asked if she could talk to the school about a bus for transportation.

Bill Greenwood was asked to look into a tour of the Greens Peak Fire Tower.

Larisa Bogardus was assigned to talk to Game & Fish and Audubon Society about wildlife and bird watching.

Mayor Nedrow said she would like to put the information about the tours with phone numbers and the types of tours on the brochures so people can call to register for specific tours.

Councilor Smith said he talked to Howard Carlson about Fire Musters. He was told that they no longer do Musters due to various reason and didn't think enough interest could be generated. Mr. Carlson suggested doing something with water at the park. Councilor Smith suggested doing something unique to our communities. He agreed to having a pancake breakfast.

Suggested unique events to our area are bicycling and running marathons and logging events. The Fat Tire Festival Mountain biking was brought up and Mayor Holaway volunteered to talk with Bill Coalter about bringing it back.

Jennifer was asked to talk with the other Chamber Directors to find out what other events they're having during the same time frames.

Bill Greenwood reported that he looked into doing something with Kites but suggested this as a future event. He said he looked into Fly fishing catch and release. In talking to Game and Fish they said as long as the rules are followed they didn't have a problem with it but they don't have the time, money or the man power to assist the town but it's doable.

He said they had a positive response on the logging event but need to start getting the word out. This will take dedicated volunteers. Bill suggested moving the logging event toward the back of the rodeo grounds closer to the hills but grand stands for seating would be a problem.

In response to Mayor Nedrow's question if there was an area in Springerville to do this she was advised that it would depend on the event. The space required would be an area of about 40 x 60 feet.

Mayor Nedrow and Steve West were asked to talk to the high school about bleachers.

Councilor Thebeau reported on the cook-off saying that he was advised that they need to find a sponsor but there are websites they can research. He said the VFW has a chili cook off every year that has been successful. He was asked if they could possibly host another chili cook off in conjunction with everything going on. Councilor Thebeau was charged with talking to both VFW and American Legion.

Steve reminded everyone that the parking area outside town hall is set up to hold events with electricity. They would only have to put up booths for possibly holding the chili cook-off.

Councilor Erhart asked about having a Flag raising ceremony and if anyone had talked to the Legions about this.

It was suggested having the pancake breakfast in conjunction with the Flag raising ceremony.

Councilor Wilkins report said he talked with the Casa Malpais and the Cushman Museums about having tours on Saturday and they agreed.

The tours suggested were: ATV tours, Forest Tours, wildlife tours and viewing, and the museum tours, hiking and biking.

Major events: Logging, fishing, chili cook off, Junior Rodeo, petting zoo, and dance.

Events should take place in both towns: The Museum tours will begin in Springerville. Pancake breakfast and flag raising at the Ramsey Park., petting zoo at the rodeo grounds.

Bill suggested a couple of tagged or possible largest fish with business oriented prizes to get people into the shops.

Breakfast – 7:00 – 9:00 then breakouts.

Fishing – all day until 3:00 p.m. – Bill to further research with Game & Fish

Tours

Rodeo/petting zoo

Park games - Skateboard Competition – Councilor Sanders volunteered to do this event and will look for sponsors

Wall climbing

Horseshoes

Barbeque & dance. – Steve was asked to talk to Dave Pulsifer and Eric said he would talk to Val Cluff and check on beef.

Mayor Nedrow announced that in order to get this on the Chamber website they need to get this finalized ASAP and have another meeting.

All council members agreed to have their information available for the next meeting.

Schedule of Events:

Friday: No finalized events yet: possible dance and kids movie

Saturday:

Breakfast 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Skateboarding Competition registration 9:00 am 9:30 begin competition

Fishing – all day ends at 3:00 p.m.

Rodeo 1:00 p.m.

All Tours: 10:00

Chili Cook off – 3:00 p.m. suggestion that contestants could have it available for sale during the barbeque.

Barbeque – 5:00 p.m. Mayor Holaway to contact Marilea McBride to get timeframe for end of rodeo.

Dance – 8:00 p.m.

Monday:

Flag Raising Ceremony at cemeteries.

Suggestion that some tours could run on Monday.

Councilor Baca said he would talk to Sam Madariaga to show a movie on Monday.

Steve was asked to check with the local businesses to make sure they are planning anything with live music.

Councilor Finch suggested they start thinking about future winter events.

The next Joint Council Meeting will be on February 11, 2009 at 6:00 PM at the Eagar Council Chamber.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.