

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
June 21, 2021 6:00 P.M.
Municipal Building and Via Microsoft Teams
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460

Board Members present: Jon Stantz, Dean Bruce, and Mike Spinks

Also, Present, Clerk Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Town Attorney Richard Lorenz, Sewer Supt. John Hodge, Street Supt Tony Floyd, and Chief Richard Foutch.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the last meeting were presented for approval. Mike Spinks made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC MATTERS

Andrea White presented the Farm to Table Dinner Event Request to be held on Saturday, September 11 to the Board for approval. It will be the same as in past years, except the event will start at 7:00 pm instead of 6:00 pm. They are asking for barricades to close Main Street between the railroad tracks and Market Street and East Market, by the old Chambers building. They also request no parking along Main Street during the event. They wish to close beginning at 2:00 pm for setup and will have it reopened by 10:00 pm.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the event request, seconded by Jon Stantz. The motion passed 3-0.

The Community Crossing Notification of Contractor Award and Request for Funds were presented for signature. Jon Stantz and the rest of the Board signed where required.

Next, a Legal Services Agreement with Barnes & Thornburg to review the Boston Scientific tax abatement agreements was presented to the Board for approval and signature.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Dean Bruce. The motion passed 3-0.

The Clerk-Treasurer said that Ray Wilhoite, who has a business in the county, would like to rent a portion of the old Riddle Building for distributing inventory while his old building is being repaired. The discussion was that a new lease for a term of 3 months to begin with would be approved. Terms of the agreement will be similar to those with already in agreement with the pallet business.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the agreement to rent for an initial period of 3 months. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jon Stantz updated the Board on the traffic control in Thornridge. He looked into a speed hump product. He would like to install these at the point where the subdivision meets the county, to slow down the traffic. There are two places these would need to be installed. He spoke with Mr. Steele, and he agreed to this resolution, so he will order the humps, and have Tony Floyd install.

Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the purchase. The motion was seconded and passed 3-0.

The 2021-11 Resolution to Rezone Property at 52 Sycamore Street was presented for approval. This is the formal document to approve the zoning for this piece of property from Residential 1 to Commercial Limited.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the zoning change, seconded by Dean Bruce. The motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

No report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch gave a report on his department.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd reported on the street operations and equipment. He asked if the Attorney could send a letter to a couple of residents on James Drive about trees on their property that need to be attended to. Mr. Lorenz asked for the names or addresses for the properties, along with pictures, and he will contact them by mail.

IN THE MATTER OF SEWER DEPARTMENT

Drew Flamion, with Commonwealth Engineering updated the board on the I&I project. He presented an invoice to the Board for approval, from Robinson in the amount of \$107,507.21. **Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the payment to Robinson Piping in the amount of \$107,507.21. The motion was seconded by Mike Spinks and passed 3-0. The invoice will be paid pending funding from grant proceeds.**

John Hodge updated the Board on the phosphorous removal project. It is running behind, but will be completed on time.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING & ZONING

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

Jon Stantz gave a brief update.

IN THE MATTER OF PARKS & RECS

They are still working on proposed projects and possibly applying for grants.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard Lorenz updated the Board on various issues.

2021-10 Resolution Establishing the Policy By Which Members of the Town Council May Participate by Electronic Means of Communication was presented for approval.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Dean Bruce. The motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Mike Spinks reported there is some progress with the car dealership project.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims for May through June 7 were presented for approval. Claims were approved unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

A motion and a second to adjourn the meeting was made and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Jon Stantz
Jon Stantz, President

Dean Bruce
Dean Bruce, Vice-President

Mike Spinks
Mike Spinks, Member

Attest Cheryl Moke
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer