

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
November 1, 2021, 6:00 P.M.
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, Chief Richard Foutch, John Hodge, and Tony Floyd

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC MATTERS

Julie Coffin, on behalf of Spencer Main Street Org presented an event request for Christmas on the Square to be held on December 4 from noon to 5pm. They are requesting ½ closure (on the Courthouse side) for both Market and Washington for vendors, and the parking spaces in front of Civilian and Tivoli. Santa will be in the Tivoli from 2pm to 5pm. All meters will be covered around the square for the Merry Meter Contest again this year.

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

Cynthia Ferguson, with USDA Rural Development gave a presentation to the Board regarding rural development funding that may be available to Spencer for future projects, including expansion of sewer system and affordable housing.

HWC Invoice 2021-235-S-2 for \$3,267.00 for Spencer Gateway was presented for approval. Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the invoice. The motion was seconded and passed 3-0.

Next, the Community Crossing grant closeout letters were presented for signature by Jon Stantz. Mike Spinks made a motion to allow Jon to sign, seconded by Dean Bruce. The motion passed 3-0.

LSOI Lighting Services Invoice #11720SP for \$20,756.00 and Majestic Electric quote for installation for \$14,762.00 were presented for approval. Both invoices are for the MyPath Project and will be funded by the ROI grant from the Owen County Foundation. Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the invoices. The motion was seconded and passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mike Spinks reminded the Board that there will be a joint meeting with the Owen County Economic Development Commission on Tuesday, November 2nd at 6:30 p.m. at McCormick's Creek Elementary School.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch introduced new police candidate Dillen Friend to the Board and requested that he be allowed to hire him. His starting date will be on Tuesday, 11/2.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd gave a report on the Street Dept operations. He reported that all equipment has been winterized and he spent \$800 on new Christmas lights.

IN THE MATTER OF SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on the collections and plant. He was asked by the board if there was additional work where he could plan to use the balance of the grant money and he said he would be able to come up with more areas that need to be relined.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING & ZONING

Nothing to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

The Clerk-Treasurer reported that the Fire Territory received \$12,061 in grant funds from Smithville Telephone to be used towards the purchase of a drone.

IN THE MATTER OF PARKS & RECS

Dean Bruce reported on the Parks projects.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard Lorenz had nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented for approval. Claims were approved unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

A motion and a second to adjourn the meeting were made and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Jon Stantz

Jon Stantz, President

Dean Bruce

Dean Bruce, Vice-President

Mike Spinks

Mike Spinks, Member

Attest Cheryl Moke

Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer