

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting  
May 2, 2022, 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, Tony Floyd, Chief Foutch and Attorney Richard Lorenz.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by Mike Spinks. The motion passed 3-0.**

**IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES**

Josh Malincuk, representing Boston Scientific made a presentation regarding the progress of the improvements at the local plant. He reported that they are right on track with investments and exceeded job counts. They continue to hire additional employees. He reported that all filings with the county auditor and assessor were up to date. He will file the 2022 tax abatement forms by the due date, which is May 15<sup>th</sup>. He will also be filing additional CF1s for the landlord holdings. Several corrections were necessary to the previous filings for calculating the fees. They are corrected, and the fees should be able to be requested by the Town of Spencer. The form 11 that will be filed by the 15<sup>th</sup> will be the 2022 assessments, paid in 2023. He will have the assessor review these and approve them for filing. He will also go through the same process with the auditor's office for paying the fee.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to sign the Compliance with Statement of Benefits for Real Estate Improvements for Boston Scientific as presented, pending amendments. Motion was seconded by Dean Bruce and passed 3-0.**

Daniel Hasselberg came before the Board in regard to a building permit to build a metal pole barn which he intends to use as a storage. He was reminded that the lot is zoned residential, so he would not be permitted to run a business from it, which he agreed to. There was some question whether there were two lots or just one, which would preclude him from building living quarters in the barn. He will check on that first then decide how he will proceed based on that information.

Drew Flamion received three RFPs for the Environmental review for the SRF PER. Archaeological Consultants of Ossian came in with the lowest bid of a total of \$5,100.00 for all three projects. Drew has worked with them in the past and recommended them for these projects. Jon would like to approve the recommendation, and pay for all three projects, but would receive a reimbursement of \$3,240.00 for the Owen Camp property. This would enable the work to be done in the next couple of weeks.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the recommendation of Archaeological Consultants of Ossian for all three projects. Mike Spinks seconded and the motion passed 3-0.**

Jon Stantz read a request from Chris Myers with Area10 Agency. She is requesting additional contributions in order to keep their rural transit service going in four counties. She is requesting an additional \$80,000.00 from the four counties. Currently, Town of Spencer contributes \$12,000.00 annually. Jon Stantz offered to call Chris Myers to get more information.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

Jon Stantz gave a brief report on their last meeting.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Foutch gave a report on the department. They will be doing interviews over the next two weeks and should have a recommendation for the next meeting. He requested to add two new reserves to the roster.

**Mike Spinks made a motion to add the two reserves, seconded by Jon Stantz, and passed 3-0.**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT**

Tony Floyd gave a report on his department. Speed humps and signs are installed. Tony asked about increasing the cost for street cut repairs.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to raise the cost to \$7.00 a square foot, seconded by Mike Spinks. The motion passed 3-0.**

Tony asked a question about the use of the sidewalks in front of the county building occupied formerly by the Health Department. Jon and Richard Lorenz requested a copy of the letter from the engineer so they could determine what should be done next.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF SEWER DEPARTMENT**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING & ZONING**

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY**

Jon Stantz reported on the Territory.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF PARKS & RECS**

Arbor Day tree give away was a great success.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY**

Richard Lorenz said he would be meeting with Ron Walker later this week.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

Jon asked Chief Foutch to look at a couple of properties for violations.

**IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Spinks commented that Main Street Group are looking into adding an electrical charger to be installed. He will keep the Board updated on what they decide.

There was also discussion about what the future of the meters was going to be. More to come on this.

Jon Stantz reported on the Cruise In that was held downtown. He said it was more of an event than a casual group meeting for dinner. He will follow up on this with Toby Cheeseman and invite him to the next meeting.

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

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 7:25 PM.**

Jon Stantz  
Jon Stantz, President

Dean Bruce  
Dean Bruce, Vice-President

Mike Spinks  
Mike Spinks, Member

Attest Cheryl Moke  
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer