

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
October 2, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Building
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460

Board Members present: Jon Stantz, Dean Bruce and Michael Spinks.

Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Town Attorney Richard Lorenz, Street Supt., Larry Parrish. Sewer Supt. Hodge and Chief Marshal Foutch.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Michael Spinks made a motion to accept the previous minutes as written. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES

Jeff Barnes was present to ask about a letter his realtor received in regard to Circle Street being a private street. Richard Lorenz confirmed that this was not the case. The Clerk-Treasurer provided copies of minutes when this was brought up in the past by Mr. English, and it was confirmed at that time, that it is a public thoroughfare. She requested that Mr. Lorenz confirm this once more, in the form of a letter to Mr. Barnes.

Charlie Hallam was presented to the Board as the newest member of the Spencer police department for confirmation and swearing in.

Jon Stantz made a motion to confirm the hiring. It was seconded and passed, followed by the swearing in.

Robert White, on behalf of the Spencer Main Street, Inc., presented an event request for the 3rd Annual Merry Meter contest. This year the parking meters will be limited to Main Street, and around the courthouse. They will continue the agreement to pay the Town \$5 per week for each meter that is covered.

Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the event request. It was seconded and passed.

Next Chief Foutch presented an event request for the Spencer Halloween Roast to be held on October 31st from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. He is requesting that West Street be closed between Market and the parking lot.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the request. Motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Jon Stantz presented a request on behalf of Owen County Antique Machinery for an event to be held on July 13 and 14, 2018. They are requesting use of Cooper Park for the display of the tractors and that they are allowed to leave them there overnight.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the request. Motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Resolution 2017-09, A Resolution Determining That Certain Property is Surplus was presented for approval. The resolution names the 2007 Durango, VIN#1D8HB48257F586293 as surplus. The vehicle is not drivable, and will most likely be salvaged out.

Mike Spinks made a motion to sign the Resolution. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jon Stantz next made a recommendation to hold Halloween hours on Tuesday, October 31st between the hours of 6 and 8. This year, Chief Foutch said they will add extra patrols, especially along Hillside.

Jon Stantz made the motion to set the Halloween hours as proposed. This was seconded and passed.

Next item on the agenda was a proposal to change the meter and parking permit rates. The current and proposed rates are as follows:

	meter rate	time/hrs	8 HRS max daily rate	20 wkdays (max mnthly)	Monthly Permit	Quarterly Permit	Annual Permit
Currently:	0.05	0.5	\$ 0.80	\$ 16.00	10	30	120
Daily Permit rate					(.50/day)	(.50/day)	(.50/day)
Stantz Proposal:	0.25	0.5	\$ 4.00	\$ 80.00	\$30	\$60	\$180
Daily Permit rate					(1.50/day)	(1.00/day)	(.75/day)

After discussion, the consensus was to approve the second proposal. The new rates go into effect after the first of the year.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and passed.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The next meeting is scheduled for October 18th. Nothing else to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch gave an update on the department. He reported that he has another vehicle, Commission 3, which needs repair. He has an estimate of \$1,017 to get it repaired.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the request to repair. The motion was seconded and passed.

Chief Foutch next proposed that the other Vehicle which is currently out of commission, be used as a trade-in for a new vehicle. Larry suggested that he be allowed to look into a replacement engine at Brothers, using the surplus vehicle as a trade-in. He can get a replacement for around \$3,000, and believe that he can get it installed for around \$1,000. The Board agreed that he should continue to look at other options.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Larry Parrish reported that he was going to begin looking for his temporary help between October (now) and December 1st. He next asked about giving a supplement to Tony Floyd to offset his cell phone cost while building the elements for the BIVVY application. The amount suggested would be \$25 per month, and the Board agreed that this was reasonable.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported that he needed to repair the generator and a pump. He also removed sludge last week.

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING AND ZONING

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

The Attorney presented Ordinance No. 2017-10 to Amend Title VII: Traffic Code, Chapter 76: Traffic Code Schedule IV: Stop Intersections and Schedule VI: Yield Intersections

John Stantz made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-10. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next Ordinance 2017-11, An Ordinance to Add a New Section To Title IX: General Regulations Titled Discharge of Projectile/Weapons

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-11. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Ordinance 2017-12, An Ordinance to Amend Title VII: Traffic Code, Chapter 77: Parking Schedules.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-12. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Ordinance No. 2017-13, An Ordinance to Amend Title IX: General Regulations, Chapter 93: Nuisances, Section 93.23 Weeds and Rank Vegetation.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-13. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Ordinance No. 2017-14, An Ordinance to Amend Title VII: General Regulations, Chapter 72: General Traffic Regulations and Chapter 73: Sport Bicycle Equipment and Other Recreational Vehicles.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-14. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

In regard to the Downtown Streetscape project, Mike Spinks reported they are on schedule. There is an issue with the entrance to the Economic Development Office, not having an ADA entrance. It was not in, and the Engineer said he would include in in the project, but he did not. Jon Stantz said he would take a look at it tomorrow and discuss at a later date.

The INDOT project is on schedule. They are now working on the south side of Morgan, and plan on being done with the western portion by the end of December. They will resume the project east of Main, when the weather permits.

In regard to Demil, there has not been much progress since the court hearing. There were certain marks they were supposed to reach, and it does not appear they are adhering with the ruling. Mr. Lorenz said he will ask for progress reports.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented and approved.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

/S/ JON STANTZ

Jon Stantz, President

/S/ DEAN BRUCE

Dean Bruce, Vice-President

/S/ MICHAEL SPINKS

Michael Spinks, Member

Attest /S/ CHERYL MOKE

Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer