

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting  
February 21, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.  
Municipal Building  
90 N. West Street  
Spencer, IN 47460

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

Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Chief Richard Foutch, Sewer Superintendent, John Hodge, Street Superintendent Larry Parrish, Town Attorney Richard Lorenz and Stephen Cradick, OVFT

**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**

Bruce Fisher, on behalf of Boston Scientific, presented a request for their 5k walk/run event to benefit the Society of Women's Engineering. The route begins on their site, travels through the May Addition, and loops back to their site. The event is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup>, from 10 a.m. to noon.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the event on the designated route and date. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Next, a contract for grant administrative services between Southern Indiana Development Commission and the Town of Spencer was presented for signature. The Total amount of the contract is \$48,000.00 for administering Grant No.MS-15-102 in connection with the downtown streetscape improvements project payable by The Town of Spencer.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the contract as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Next, the Clerk-Treasurer asked for approval to request additional appropriations from the EDIT Fund in the amount of \$625,000. These funds will be used for local share in the streetscape project. That amount is estimated to be approximately \$598,000, and the request is for a little more to cover any unexpected expenses.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the request for additional appropriations from the EDIT Fund. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Next, HWC Engineering invoice 2016-058-S-3 in the amount of \$13,818.75 was for engineering on the streetscape project was presented for approval.

**Michael Spinks made a motion to approve the invoice. The motion was seconded and passed.**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Nothing to report.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY**

Steve Cradick, OVFT Director reported on the Fire Territory. He reported that they were now in possession of the aerial truck they obtained from Federal Surplus. It is replacing the old aerial, which was old, and not very reliable. The cost was for delivery and some repairs. They would also like to paint it. Total cost put into it will probably be about \$70,000. Cost to buy truck on the market would probably be anywhere from \$450,000 to \$700,000. Because of the federal requirements, the truck will not be titled to the Fire Territory for eighteen months. In the meantime, the truck will be insured and in use. Cradick said this is the way the program works.

Next, he discussed building maintenance and other equipment purchases that had taken place over the last 36 months. He indicated that everything was in very good condition. They also

are planning to sell the old aerial. Steve also stated that they have retained Lee Freeman as Chief and there is a good group of men who all work well together.

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

The next meeting is scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup>.

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

Chief Foutch reported on the police department. He reported that they had some rust issues with the K-9 vehicle and will get a couple of estimates. He also asked for permission to get an estimate for new flooring.

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

Mr. Lorenz reported on a property at 89 Tanner. His suggestion is that the structure be razed and something else be done with the lot. He gave the potential new owner 30 days to determine what they will do with it, because currently it is uninhabitable.

Michael Spinks asked about the status of the Demil property. There is no change, because there has been no contact back from either Demil or IDEM. This is something that needs to be continually monitored.

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

Larry Parrish reported that he was contacted by IDEM about concrete that he had recently put along the bank for erosion control. He was told there were pieces with asphalt that needed to be removed, and he would have to apply for an after-the-fact permit. Larry removed the pieces with asphalt, and he is in the process of applying for the permit.

Another IDEM meeting will be held on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> to investigate an issue with a water well that may or may not be contaminated. The well is not in use by BBP, but IDEM will be here to give a status update.

Larry also asked whether or not the Board had been approached by the MyPath Group requesting if the Town would asphalt the trailhead parking lot. Currently, it is not in the budget. Jon Stantz asked Larry to get an estimate, and try to see if it could fit in with the rest of the 2017 paving. Larry asked how much he had in the budget for paving, and the Clerk-Treasurer told him there was approximately \$80,000.00 in the LOIT fund for that purpose. Lastly, there was an email question from the IDEM manager who visited the site, about construction in the floodway. He suggested that the Town may wish to contact the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Water for any permitting they may require for construction activities in the floodway.

Richard Lorenz suggested a meeting be planned between MyPath, the Town, and the County about overlapping issues.

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

John Hodge reported on the maintenance of the plant and collection systems. He reported he needed to order a dewatering bag that would cost about \$1500.00.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the request to order the dewatering bag. The motion was seconded and passed.**

He also presented an invoice from Fluid Waste for flushing out lines on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at West and Laymon in the amount of \$1,237.50.

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

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

Nothing to report.

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

Nothing new to report.

**IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

In regards to the 46 Project, a meeting will be planned towards the end of March to update everyone.

**IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

A work session will be scheduled for Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm to discuss parking meters and parking in general.

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Claims were presented and approved.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 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