

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
October 1, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Building
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460

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

Also, present Town Attorney Richard Lorenz, Interim Street Superintendent Tony Floyd, Chief Marshal Rich Foutch, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge and Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES

An Event request for a Block Party with car show and hog roast sponsored by the Spencer Nazarene Church was presented for approval. The event will take place on October 6 from 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM on Market Street between Washington and Harrison Streets. They requested that the road be barricaded for this event.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the event request. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Resolution 2018-13, A Resolution Amending Resolution 2018-11 Wherein the Town of Spencer Granted a Tax Abatement for Real Estate and Personal Property for World Arts, Inc. was presented for approval. The amendment corrects Exhibit D and Exhibit E to reflect the percentages for the tax abatement recommended by the Chamber of Commerce Tax Abatement Committee.

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

Next, Resolution 2018-10, A Joint Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Title of a Vehicle Found to be Surplus was presented for approval.

Dean Bruce made a motion to pass the resolution to transfer the title. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, the subject of Halloween hours was considered. Halloween falls on Wednesday, October 31st this year.

Jon Stantz made a motion to set the hours for Halloween to be from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, a Statement of Values prepared by Insurance Services for structures, including all buildings, shelters, playground equipment, and lift stations was presented for review and signature.

Jon Stantz made a motion to have the President of the Council sign the values of the structures for insurance purposes. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Clerk-Treasurer presented an Expense Report comparing actual expenses to Budget and Prior Year to the board members for their review.

Finally, a reminder to all that the next meeting will be postponed from October 15th to October 22nd. Mike Spinks requested that the Evening World reporter make that change in their meeting agenda section of the newspaper.

Mr. Stockwell asked a question about the determination of paving roads and sidewalks. He felt that all improvements were made north of Morgan. It was explained to him that the improvements made were primarily made through grants and state projects. All streets are rated and repaired according to schedule and Tony Floyd will check review if for paving schedules for streets on the southside of town.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Don Bingham reported on what the OCED is currently working on. He reported that a group was formed in the community to pursue a planning grant offered through ROI.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch reported that Debbie Foutch has turned in her resignation/retirement. Her last day was Friday, September 28th.

Next the Chief presented an invoice from JTN for \$5,532.70 to complete the equipment package for the new Interceptor police car. The equipment package was approved along with the purchase of the new vehicle at a previous meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd reported he had some repairs to make to a truck and replacing a broken picnic table. He also said the flashing stop sign was installed at Main and Jefferson.

Tony reported he had two applicants for the temporary leafing positions. One of the applicants was his wife's nephew and wanted to make sure it would be okay to hire him. The Board agreed that this would not be an issue. He also said he is working on a plan for equipment repair replacement. He next asked if he could advertise for the open position for a CDL driver. The board told him to go ahead with this.

Next, the Clerk-Treasurer requested that the work phone Larry Parrish has used be given to him at the time of his retirement. Tony Floyd would like a new number, and start fresh. The Board agreed that it would be a good idea to do this.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on plant and collections maintenance. There was sinkhole on Hyden road and they discovered a buried manhole they were unaware of. He will unbury it, and inspect it. He reported that he ordered a replacement grinder pump, because he felt he has gone quite a few months without replacing one, and wanted to have one available. Lastly he reported that the plant permit was up for renewal in 2019. He contacted Darrin Wells, about handling the process, and he said he could do it for about \$2,500.00. The renewal application is due March, 2019. The permit is renewed every five years.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Jon Stantz asked that the stop signs replace the yield signs on Indiana.

Mike Spinks reported that limbs were blocking the view line along Hillside and Washington, heading east. Tony said he would check it out.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented and approved.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

/s/ Michael Spinks
Mike Spinks, President

/s/ Dean Bruce
Dean Bruce, Vice-President

/s/ Jon Stantz
Jon Stantz, Member

Attest Cheryl Moke
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer