

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting  
June 18, 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 Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Town Attorney Richard Lorenz, Chief Richard Foutch, Deputy Marshal Austin Combs, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge. Street Superintendent Larry Parrish was absent.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

**IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES**

Vickie Smith, on behalf of Nicole's Safe Heaven, requested an event to be held on June 23, beginning at 11:00 a.m. The event is for a motorcycle ride, beginning at the Senior Citizens Center and heading west out of town on Highway 46. They are requesting a police escort out of Town and have discussed with Chief Foutch. Chief Foutch was present and agreed that they could accommodate the group.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the event as requested. The motion was seconded and passed.**

The next item on the agenda was to approve the Additional Appropriations Resolution 2018-06. The request was for appropriating \$600,000 from the EDIT Fund for the following uses:

Professional Services	\$ 60,000
Downtown Streetscape	422,567
Other	117,433

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the additional appropriation resolution as presented. The resolution was seconded and approved.**

Mike Spinks addressed the proposal made by Officer Ryan White at the last meeting. Ryan proposed that the entire area on the north side of Hillside between East and Washington be a no parking zone for the safety of the children. He also requested a portion on the south side of Hillside from Harrison Street east, in front of the first residence.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the parking restrictions as proposed. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Lastly, under Public Issues, the Clerk-Treasurer presented a request for a sewer adjustment for a leak at 563 Meadow Drive. The adjustment did not meet all the requirements, since he had one just a few months earlier, but because he was hospitalized at the time, and presented ample evidence that it was multiple leaks, and they have been repaired he is requesting the adjustment.

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

**IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Don Bingham updated the Board on the EDCC. He said Purdue canceled the June meeting, but they had requested that at least nine members be present and only four had confirmed. The next meeting is scheduled for July 6, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Integrated Health Clinic facility.

Next, Don said that the previous strategic plan developed back in 2010 is now complete, and it is time to conduct another Strategy plan. He also learned that in order to qualify for a grant, they have to show that at least 51% of the population is low to moderate income. In order to do this, surveys must be conducted, but the low response to these surveys in Owen County has prevented EDCC from being able to take advantage of these grants. Because of this, he is

recommending that they self-fund the economic strategy development plan. The Board suggested he continue to work with others in the community first. He plans to approach other entities about sharing the cost.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 20.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Austin Combs gave an update on the Zuercher system.

Next, Richard Lorenz presented a Policy for Transfer of Surplus Firearms to Employees of the Town of Spencer for adoption.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to adopt the policy. The motion was seconded and passed.**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Jon Stantz reported on the progress of the horse barn at the fairgrounds. They are still working on getting DNR approval, so it will not be used for the fair this year.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT**

Larry Parrish was absent so no report. There was an update on the road construction from Jon Stantz. There are still problems because of GPS directing trucks through the neighborhoods. Jon said that INDOT should have this corrected by Wednesday.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT**

John Hodge reported on the plant maintenance and collections. He reported that a pump went out, and the cost to replace is \$4,866.93, which is a little less than \$1,000 more for the repair.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the purchase of the replacement pump. The motion was seconded and passed.**

**IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING AND ZONING**

Planning Board to meet June 26.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY**

Richard Lorenz updated the Board on what ordinances are being reworked. He will provide a list of these to the Board.

**IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

**IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

Jon Stantz said he would have more information on the lighted signs for the July 16 meeting. He also discussed some of the issues they were experiencing with the SRTS program.

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Claims were presented and approved.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

/s/ Mike Spinks  
Mike Spinks, President

/s/ Jon Stantz  
Jon Stantz, Member

/s/ Dean Bruce  
Dean Bruce, Vice-President

Attest /s/ Cheryl Moke  
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer