

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting  
July 16, 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 Fouch, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge and Street Superintendent Larry Parrish.

**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**

Vic Kinney, on behalf of the Heritage Culture Center requested a street closure along Market between Washington and the alley just east along Market for their annual yard sale. The hours for the event are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on August 4. They are requesting barricades.

Next, in the matter of the Downtown Streetscape Project, Matt Sward, with SIDC presented change order 6 for signature. This was approved at the last meeting. He also presented Pay application 6 in the amount of \$5,700 and pay application 7 in the amount of \$43,520.33 for approval, contingent upon completion, noting the end of the grant period is July 31<sup>st</sup>. He also reported that the project manager anticipated the work being done by the end of the week.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve pay application #6, contingent upon completion, for \$5,700 to be paid out of local funds. The motion was seconded and passed.**

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve pay application #7, contingent upon completion, for \$43,520.33, of which \$23,096 will be paid by grant and the remainder from local funds. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Next, the Clerk-Treasurer presented an invoice from HWC Engineering for the Streetscape Project for \$5,021.00 for approval.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the invoice. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Carla English spoke about the closure of Crane Street at Morgan. She expressed her disapproval of this decision because there was no street closure on Hillside where she feels they experience the same traffic issues. She also stated that speeding continues and heavy equipment continues to travel the street.

Next, Bill Deckard, who owns a residence at 1151 Parks Drive, spoke about a drainage problem because of a recent INDOT project that rerouted a road. When it rains, water comes down the hill, right down his drive into his crawlspace. Larry said to resolve the problem, a drop drain would have to be put in at the driveway, and tie it into the existing ditch. Mike Spinks asked if Larry could provide a drawing of a plan that would correct this, so the Board could look at it again. Larry pointed out that the prior owner, without approval or permits, converted the driveway to Parks Drive.

**IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Cassandra Toth introduced group from Boston Scientific who made a presentation about their planned expansion. Along with the expansion, they are requesting a tax abatement to take place over the next 20 years. They are proposing a package that will include a 10-year real estate tax abatement and a 20-year personal property tax abatement. The overall growth in taxes is expected to be in the neighborhood of \$14 million, and the Town's share would be about 37% of that. Next, Cassandra distributed a memorandum of understanding to the Board members for their review. She also presented a letter of recommendation from the Economic Development tax abatement committee. The next step is a public hearing to be held on August

6, at 6:30 p.m. to answer any questions. The Board agreed to take the proposal under advisement.

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

Next meeting will be Wednesday, July 18.

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

Chief Foutch reported on the police department.

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

Larry Parrish presented a quote from Hoosier Power LLC for generators for the Municipal Building and the Street Department. The Street Department unit was estimated at \$12,687 and the Municipal Building at \$23,645, for a total of \$36,332 for both buildings. The Clerk-Treasurer said this should be coming out of the EDIT Fund, if there is not enough appropriated, then the Rainy Day Fund can be used. In addition, part of the cost can be shared by the Sewer Department since the office is maintained at the municipal building.

**Jon Stantz made a motion to accept the proposal from Hoosier Power LLC for both generators for a total of \$36,332. The motion was seconded and passed.**

Next, Larry Parrish presented bids on 2018 paving projects to the Board. He asked them to take them under advisement for the next meeting.

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

John reported on a jetting and televising by Fluid Waste Services on a section along Vandalia. It showed that a pipe needed to be repaired near the new EMS facility by Highway 46. He received a quote from Culy Contracting to install a pipe patch to fix it, for \$4,700.

**Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the quote. The motion was seconded and passed.**

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the invoice from Fluid Waste Services for \$3,648.75. The motion was seconded and passed.**

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

Meeting to be held on July 26.

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

Mr. Lorenz continues to work on ordinance amendments.

### **IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

Jon Stantz reported that there is a final inspection date July 24 for the sidewalk project on Hillside.

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

Jon Stantz discussed the draft for the Sidewalk Program. The draft is being tweaked and should be ready for approval at the next meeting.

Next Jon Stantz presented quotes for solar blinker stop sign and a Safe Pace 100 speed sign. He said he got information from a number of companies but Traffic Signal Company had the best prices. Cost for a 30" Blinker Stop is \$1,600 (x2), and for the Safe Pace 100 Speed sign, \$3,427.50 plus \$200 for kit, for total cost of \$6827.50

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the purchase of the stop signs and speed sign for the price indicated. The motion was seconded and passed.**

**In order to clarify the no parking zones by the elementary school, the board restated the no parking areas; Dean Bruce made the following motion:**

**On the north side of Hillside: designated "Bus Parking Only " remains as is, but from that point west, the remainder of the block will be "No Parking" and painted yellow curbing.**

On the south side of Hillside: From Harrison and in front of the house to the east, designate as “No Parking” and painted yellow curbing.  
The motion was seconded and passed.

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Claims were presented and approved.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 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