

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
August 20, 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, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge and Street Superintendent Larry Parrish and Chief Marshal Rich Foutch.

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

First item on the agenda is a Memo of Understanding between Boston Scientific, Inc. and the Town of Spencer for approval.

Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the Memo of Understanding. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next up, Jim Query, on behalf of the Lions Club presented an Event Request for the Apple Butter Festival Parade. The parade route is the same as last year. From Cooper Park, north on Main Street, turning east on Market to East Street and then south to the Fair Grounds. The event will take place on September 15, starting at 1:00 p.m. They are requesting street closings along the parade route during the duration.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the request for the parade route as described. The motion was seconded and passed.

The next item for discussion was the alley closure requested by First Assembly of God Church. Larry Parrish looked into this and the decision was that the alley would not be permanently closed, and the entrance would not change because of the utilities. However, the church would be allowed to add parking bumpers on the church property, and they would be allowed to close the alley whenever conditions warranted it. They would provide their own temporary barricades to do this. After their services, barriers will be removed. The Board agreed with this recommendation.

Next, the Attorney presented the Community Crossings Grant Application and Bid Packet. The grant application is for are for resurfacing various roads, as part of the requirements for receiving funds from INDOT. The bids will be received in the Town Clerk's office by 4:00 pm on September 14. All bids will be opened and read aloud beginning at 7:00 p.m. Monday, September 17.

Jon Stantz made a motion to authorize the letting of the bids to be begin the process for applying for the grant. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Cassandra Toth gave an update on the new economic development plan they are currently working on.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The next meeting will be September 19.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Debbie Foutch presented reports from 2014 to the present showing the money collected for parking meters. Mike Spinks asked if she could take some time to make sure all meters are in working order.

Chief Foutch reported that the sale of the second surplus police car to Worthington, was currently on hold until they work out some issues about the titling of the vehicle. He also reported on maintenance of vehicles.

Dean Bruce made an inquiry about weeds and vegetation at the corner of Montgomery and Wayne. Chief Foutch said he would take care of it. Jon Stantz also reported a problem at some property on Beem Street, which Chief Foutch said they would follow up on.

Debbie Foutch brought up an issue about parking on the lot at the corner of Main and Morgan. She said in the near future, she may not be able to park there any longer and will have to look for a different location.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Jon Stantz spoke about various matters including the new EMS building.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Larry Parrish reported that work on installing the new generators to the Street Dept and the Municipal Building will start this week.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on the sewer plant and collections.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING AND ZONING

Richard Lorenz reported that a Planning and Zoning meeting would be held this month where there will be a request from World Arts regarding a proposed expansion.

Mike Spinks mentioned that there was a request for possible sewer expansion an annexation on South 67. More information about what the use of the property first.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Mr. Lorenz talked about the mobile vendor ordinance. The Board agreed to review this and vote on this at the next meeting. Next item, he discussed was for an Ordinance related to the Sale, Repair, or Future repair of a vehicle. The Board agreed that the first step is to hold a work session and invite Mr. Pete Hodge as he requested.

Next, the attorney asked if there was any action to be taken from the Executive Session held on August 16. Based on the information they gathered, the Board agreed that there should be a written reprimand to each of the persons who were interviewed.

Jon Stantz made a motion to authorize the Attorney to prepare written reprimands. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Jon Stantz reported there was one remaining issue with the Safe Routes to School Project, which he thinks he has idea on how to resolve. In addition, there was a question about an open claims request, which he will look into. The Clerk-Treasurer presented the closing document for the project for signature.

Jon Stantz made a motion to accept the recommendation for closing the Safe Routes to School Project. 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 7:58 p.m.

/s/ Michael Spinks

/s/ Jon Stantz

Mike Spinks, President

/s/ Dean Bruce
Dean Bruce, Vice-President

Jon Stantz, Member

Attest Cheryl Moke
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer