

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
February 19, 6:00 P.M.
Municipal Building
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460

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

Also present, Attorney Richard Lorenz, Street Superintendent Tony Floyd, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge, Chief Marshal Richard Foutch, 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 MATTERS

The first order of business was an event request for the Owen County Bicentennial Community Picnic to be held on May 19th. They are requesting the parking meters to be covered on the north side of Market Street and barricades so that cars do not park there. Including the set up time, they are requesting the time to be from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

Ordinance 2019-03 Training and Equipment Reimbursement Ordinance was presented for approval. The ordinance was discussed and revised several times. It now is in its final format.

Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, documents were the Community Crossings grant application were presented for signature. Contracts are complete and will be forwarded to the contractor. When they are returned the Board will sign those and submit them to the State.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Don Bingham reported on the activities of the Economic Development office. He also reported that Marcie King has been named the new executive director of the Owen County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Corp.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch reported on his department.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Jon Stantz reported that the building Mr. Keith was working on is still in the process of getting approval from DNR.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd gave the Board a report of time and materials for the most recent snow event. He also reported on the recent flooding and the damage caused to the roads. He also requested that the town donate some surplus pipes to the Sports Complex to repair their drainage. The pipes have been in surplus for about six years. The Board agreed to allow the excess piping to be donated for this purpose.

Next, Tony updated the Board on his efforts to find a department vehicle to run errands. He has been in discussions with Sam Hobbs, who told him that they were in the process of purchasing three new vehicles and would have as surplus, three 2015 Ford Explorers with about 100,000 miles. Tony is interested in purchasing one of these for \$5,000 if the board would approve.

Dean Bruce made a motion to allow Tony to purchase the 2015 Ford Explorer for \$5,000. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, Tony requested that he be permitted to purchase four new radios at a cost of \$389.67 each from ERS for a total cost \$1,558.68.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the purchase of the four radios. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on plant maintenance. He also said with the upcoming paving project, he will have to replace the risers. The cost to replace is \$3,504.00.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the purchase from Core & Main for the risers. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING/ZONING

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

Nothing to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard Lorenz suggested that meetings begin with engineers to develop an overall plan, inside and outside of town, for the next ten years as far as wastewater is concerned.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Jon Stantz updated the Board on how to order a new street light for the corner by 5th Avenue. Tony Floyd will call INDOT to get an estimate.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Jon Stantz proposed that he was approached by a person interested in handling the meter duties for the town. There was some discussion, and the board indicated they were interested in looking into this further. If necessary, an executive session will be set up for an interview after the next regular meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented for approval.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

/s/ Michael Spinks
Mike Spinks, President

/s/ Jon Stantz
Jon Stantz, Vice-President

/s/ Dean Bruce
Dean Bruce, Member

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