

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
April 15, 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 Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Town Attorney Richard Lorenz, Street Superintendent Tony Floyd, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge and Chief Marshal Richard Foutch.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jon Stantz made a motion to accept minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC MATTERS

The first order of business was a review of the Boston Scientific expansion plans, request for a vacation (Brookside Drive) of a street, and variance request as presented by the engineer, Andrew Swanson. Richard Lorenz spoke about what their plans entailed and the time line for getting the necessary approvals so they will be able to begin construction in May.

Next up, Bruce Fisher presented an event request for the Boston Scientific 5k Run scheduled for May 18, beginning at 9:00 A.M. It will begin at Veteran's Park, head south to the elementary school parking lot, over to East Street and down to North. They will then travel west to Vandalia and back up to Hillside and back to the Veteran's Park. They have course marshals to ensure they follow the route and get through all intersections safely. They are not requesting any services from the town.

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

Next, Scott Barnett presented the request for the annual Opening Day Parade Event Request for April 27. The parade will take the same route as last year, beginning at High School Road and ending up at the complex. No services are required from the Town.

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

Next, approval for request of Additional Appropriations for EDIT fund for \$250,000 was requested. Prior to the tonight's meeting, a public hearing was held for this request, and there were no objections.

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

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Don Bingham updated the board on projects that the Economic Development is currently working on. They will be selecting a consultant for the comprehensive economic growth plan they are working on, and he reported it would probably be Scott Burgess with HWC. They are also working on the ROI Quality of Place and Workforce Attraction grant request. He also updated the board on the INDOT plans for the 43 intersection.

Lastly, Don made a comment on the positive benefit of tax rebates to businesses in our community.

IN THE MATTER OF REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mike Spinks reported that the next meeting is May 15. The Clerk-Treasurer reported that Gateway reports were submitted to Gateway for both TIF districts with base and current values on time.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Richard Foutch reported that Drug Take Back Day is scheduled for April 27. He is continuing to work on locating a new vehicle. He also said the Traffic Blitz was successful. He would like to share with social media and the newspaper about certain ordinances that they will be concentrating on now that spring is here.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

As a reminder, Mr. Lorenz commented on properties that are in the flood zone are still under the same requirements as they were when they were originally declared, and the same rules apply for building.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd reported that there are two culverts to be replaced prior to the asphalt project. An estimate for \$1,480.00 from Core and Main was presented to the Board for approval. Tony still has not received a confirmation on the start date from Milestone.

Jon Stantz made a motion to purchase the culverts from Core & Main for \$1,480. The motion was seconded and passed.

Next, he updated the Board on the project of replacing four old lights with new LED lights for \$2,936.39. The remaining eight, will be removed at no charge.

Dean Bruce made a motion to replace the four lights, and remove the remaining eight for a total cost of \$2,936.39.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported smoke testing would begin the next day. He also updated the Board on installation of the chemical feed pump.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PARKS DEPT

Dean Bruce reported that they would be giving away trees for Arbor Day on Saturday, April 27 at the trailhead shelter in Cooper Common. He also reported that he would be meeting with the committee on a regular basis and look to see what they can do to improve.

Mike Spinks reported that MyPath received some grant money that they would like to use to purchase a limestone marker approximately 4' x 6'. They also mentioned they would like some in-kind work from the Town to help install it. They will bring the design in for approval.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING/ZONING

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

They are still working on organization and hiring of a full-time chief.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Jon Stantz report that RFQs will be going out next week, and he hopes to start the selection process in the next 3-4 weeks. Jon also reported the Annual Trash Day was a HUGE success.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Mike Spinks mentioned that there was a film crew planning to film here. He did not have details, but said it was to take place on May 3.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented for approval and were approved.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 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