

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
October 19, 2020 6:00 P.M.
Municipal Building and Via WebEx
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460

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

Also, Present Richard Lorenz (via WEBEX), Sewer Supt. John Hodge, and Street Supt. Tony Floyd. Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke was absent.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the previous minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC MATTERS

First item up for discussion is the Halloween event. The Town shared the CDC Guidelines which showed the various activities and the risk involved in participating in them. The Board decided not to sponsor any event for Halloween. Local residents can decide if they want to participate on their own. The Town encourages everyone to follow the CDC Guidelines and stay safe.

Dean Bruce updated the Board on the COVID-19 OCRA Grant for small businesses. He has been receiving applications, and would like to encourage others to get theirs in as soon as possible. There is a deadline of November 1 for receiving to make sure all can be processed and submitted to OCRA.

MyPath sidewalk is delayed and will be resubmitted for bidding in the spring.

Marce King was present to speak about SCI Fiber Optics insulation. She updated the Board on where they plan to lay conduit while BBP is replacing waterline along Main Street. How and when it will be connected, has not been determined yet, but she is asking for approval to get this portion laid, while the street is open.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the laying of the fiber optic along the east side of Main, from Cooper to Jefferson. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Richard Lorenz updated the Board on the Bean property. An inspector will go to the property in the next week.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Invoices for the trash cans still need to go out. Bathroom project is moving along with very few changes.

Marce also asked to have permission to plan an event on three Fridays for next June, July and August. She was asked to turn in an event request with more details for those dates.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch reported they will be doing drug take back on Saturday, October 24, 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING/ZONING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd reported that leaf collection is underway. Tony reported that there is \$344 shipping charge on the trash cans being purchased by various organizations for the downtown.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the payment of the shipping charges. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on sewer operations and collections. He also said that if the Board wished to have GRW continue on the plant upgrade, there will be a contract modification and an additional \$37,000 cost involved.

Jon Stantz made a motion to table this until the next meeting so they can review available funds. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PARKS DEPT

No report, however, the Board will be looking for a new board member. Mr. Shrope who attended, was asked if he might be interested. The requirements for that position will need to be confirmed, and then information will be provided to Mr. Shrope or his wife to see if one of them is interested and meets the requirements.

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

Jon Stantz reported that the Territory Board passed a fire run fee. He will provide a copy to the Board.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PARKS DEPT

Plaque for Millie Ranard
Power washing and painting? Power wash the big slide?
Water coming into the shelter
They are out of the loop when maintenance is done.
Board Liaison?
Mr. Shrope agreed to be on the Board!! (and he's a Republican!)

Most of this should be settled between Tony and their representative. Open communication.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard provided notes on various projects. He also would like to share some information from an AIM webinar regarding budgeting over the next five years.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Jon Stantz reported that he had a couple of conversations with Dr. Briggs and others about putting a crosswalk across Highway 46.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were tabled until the next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

/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