

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
August 17, 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 Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Drew Flamion and Richard Lorenz (via WEBEX), Street Supt. Tony Floyd, Sewer Supt. John Hodge and Chief Foutch

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.
The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC MATTERS

Notice to Proceed on the I and I Construction Contract between Robinson Pipe Cleaning and Town of Spencer. The Start of the contract is August 17, 2020.

Dean Bruce made a motion to accept the Notice to Proceed on the construction contract at the date mentioned. Jon Stantz seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Drew Flamion asked for the Town Council to approve one member to sign change orders so work can proceed. Full approval by the council will take place at the following town board meeting. Mike Spinks agreed to be the contact for this.

Ordinance 2020-13 to Amend Chapter 154 Tax Abatement was presented for approval by the Town Council. It was reviewed by the Town Council, Economic Development, and the Town Attorney.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Dean Bruce. The motion passed unanimously.

Next, Ordinance 2020-14 For a Broadband Ready Community was presented for Approval. By signing this ordinance, the town agrees to adhere to certain requirements set forth by the state to be ready to proceed. One of the requirements is to have one representative countywide in moving forward. Marce King has agreed to be that representative.

Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Jon Stantz. The Board unanimously voted in favor.

Next on the agenda, there was a request for approval of the MyPath Construction Plan and Bid Information.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the request of the plan, seconded by Jon Stantz. The Board unanimously voted in favor.

A general discussion regarding a grant for a storm water construction plan took place. Matt Sward reported that after some consultation with OCRA, the maximum that could be applied for, would be \$35,000. OCRA would like to see an update on all utilities at the time of application. No decisions were made.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Marce King gave an update on the public restroom project. There is a verbal contract with the Sheriff's department for the restroom to be cleaned by community service workers.

Marce next discussed the broadband project. She said they have created a partnership with the biggest players the town for moving forward. They include Boston Scientific, Cook, Inc., and Spencer Owen Community Schools. She would like to have a technology representative from the Town. Dean Bruce volunteered to be that representative.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Meeting will be September 16. They will discuss using funds to correct the alley behind McKay's.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch gave a department report. He asked to purchase ammunition for around \$3,000 for this year. He also said he was receiving new radios through surplus, but will need to purchase shoulder holsters and mics. He will bring that quote to the next meeting. The Clerk-Treasurer asked if the change in these radios could take place as of the first of the year, and Chief Foutch said they could.

IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING/ZONING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

A meeting is scheduled for August 23rd for Planning/Zoning

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Tony Floyd gave an update on the operations of the Street Dept. Tony requested permission to buy a used John Deere Mower for \$5,250. He will see about a trade-in for the Dixie Chopper.

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

Next, Tony discussed the need to replace trash cans for approximately \$5,000 possibly by next summer.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on plant and collections maintenance.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PARKS DEPT

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY

Jon Stantz reported on the Fire Territory operations. The Fire Territory changed insurance providers from Duling Insurance to Insurance Services.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

Nothing new to report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard Lorenz gave reports regarding DeMil and AutoVest.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Jon Stantz updated the rest of the Board on the sidewalk project.

Dean reported that he should hear back on the COVID Grant from OCRA next week.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Maureen Hayden said she would coordinate the “ground breaking” for the sewer project on September 21st.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented for approval. A motion and a second to approve was made, and unanimously approved.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 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