

Village of Spencer
Council Meeting of February 15, 2023

Council members present: Chris Krystofek Tom Gehring Jim Stangel
Jeff Gauchat Vanessa Walter Jim Kiouisis

Others present: Dan DeRossett, Mayor Sheri Ramey, Fiscal Officer Greg Huber, Solicitor (arrived @7:40)

Irene Gehring Mike Wright Bev Zeigler Brandon Herrick Laura Braddock
Todd Mosher Joel Bender, Whittaker Myers Insurance John Scheiring

Mayor DeRossett called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes:

The minutes from the January 18, 2023 meeting were read individually. A motion to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2023 meeting made by Walter, seconded by Gehring, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 6-0.

Treasurer’s Report:

The treasurer’s report was reviewed. A motion to approve the treasurer’s report made by Stangel seconded by Walter, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 6-0.

List of Bills:

The list of bills were reviewed. A motion to approve the list of bills made by Stangel, seconded by Gauchat, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 6-0.

Gov’t agencies etc.:

- **Beautification Committee:**
 - Gehring reminded council about the breakfast with the Easter Bunny on March 25th from 8:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. She explained they could still use donations of eggs, etc.
- **Historical Society:** Irene Gehring showed council a sample of the memorial banners for the bicentennial and asked if they should use Spencer Village or just Spencer on them. It was decided to put Spencer only on the Bicentennial stuff, but use Spencer Village on the official seal. The bicentennial committee and the historical society are planning a book sale for proceeds for the bicentennial as well.
- Joel Bender from Whittaker- Myers insurance was present and went over the insurance packet with council and explained that the increase in costs was due to inflation more than anything else.
 - A motion to accept the rates for the insurance made by Stangel, seconded by Walter, with all council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 6-0.

Zoning: Brandon Herrick:

- Herrick reported violations at 219 Liberty for junk yard/debris
241 Liberty for a non-registered car
302 N. Main for excessive campers and garbage. He spoke to the owner of the home too, since they have renters at the address.

Mayor’s report: Dan DeRossett:

- Mayor reported that the planning commission interviewed a lady to help in the updating of the zoning codes and comprehensive plan. He went on to say that they still had a couple of more people/companies to interview possibly as well.
- Mayor also reported that he has not been able to get the electrician to look at the legion yet, and also he hasn’t heard anything from the state forester about the tree clearing at the park.
 - Mayor asked council if they knew of any contractors that would like to look at the entrance to the apartment above the legion. He said if they did to have them come look at it and give an estimate, so we can get it rented sooner than later.

Solicitor's report: Greg Huber:

- Huber explained legislation that Ramey will read regarding the county emergency management council that needed to be revised.

Finance: Tom Gehring:

- Nothing to report, no meeting in February...Next meeting March 7, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sanitation: Jeff Gauchat: ...

- Gauchat and Stangel reported that the committee wanted to start looking for grants to pave Jefferson Street, East Washington Street, and Stuart Drive..
- Todd informed council that he had a list of signs he needed to order from the county that would cost roughly \$200.00
 - A motion to allow Todd to spend up to \$200.00 on signs from the county made by Kiouisis, seconded by Stangel with all council members voting "aye". Motion carried 6-0.
 - Todd also stated that he was working on getting the Firestone Park directory sign replaced and hopes to have quotes by next month.
 - Next meeting scheduled March 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Legislative and Planning: Chris Krystofek:

- Krystofek reported that they discussed the pool ordinance and only wanted to make it a zoning issue and not a police issue and reworded sections C&D. Mayor will have the planning commission review it at their next meeting.
 - Gehring mentioned that the planning commission was going to start meeting the 4th Wednesday of each month after next month's meeting.
 - Next meeting is March 14, 2023 @7:00 p.m.

Parks/Buildings & Lighting: Jim Stangel:

- Stangel reported that they were still waiting to get the work done on the exhaust fan in the concession stand and also stated that Todd was getting more mower quotes.
 - Huber gave Todd the name of the parks director from Medina so he could pick his brain about new mowers if he wanted.
- Todd reviewed quotes with council for a new truck that he had gotten. He explained the comparisons for each, saying that the costs were great for a new F250 or F350 as well as model years 2022 and 2023. He wasn't sure if they would last since there are only two at those prices. Council discussed the bids at length.
 - A motion to purchase the F350 and if it was not available, the F250, made by Kiouisis, seconded by Stangel with all council members voting "aye".
 - Ramey said she would have to increase the temporary appropriations tonight, and once the county approves them they can move forward, which is usually only the next day.
 - Next meeting March 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Safety/ Parking, Vehicle & Health: Jim Kiouisis:

- Committee discussed the purchase of the new cruiser again and have decided to hold off on purchasing one at this time.
 - Next meeting is March 14, 2023 @7:30 p.m.

Fiscal Officer's Report: Sheri Ramey: Ramey read by title only the following legislation:**Ordinance 1-23****AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2023 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF SPENCER, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Stangel, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Stangel "yes", Krystofek "yes", Gehring "yes", Gauchat "yes", Walter "yes", Kiouisis "yes". Motion carried 6-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 1-23 as an emergency made by Gauchat, seconded by Stangel, with a roll call vote of: Stangel "yes", Krystofek "yes", Gehring "yes", Gauchat "yes", Walter "yes", Kiouisis "yes". Motion carried 6-0

Ordinance 2-23

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A FIRST AMENDED AGREEMENT TO RE-ESTABLISH THE MEDINA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND HOMELAND SECURITY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Kiouisis, seconded by Stangel, with a roll call vote of: Stangel “yes”, Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2-23 as an emergency made by Gauchat, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Stangel “yes”, Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 6-0

Ordinance 3-23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2023 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE OF SPENCER, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Kiouisis, seconded by Stangel, with a roll call vote of: Stangel “yes”, Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 3-23 as an emergency made by Gauchat, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Stangel “yes”, Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 6-0

Resolution R-2-23

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORMS FOR THE TEVA, CVS, WALGREENS, AND WALMART NEW NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Stangel, seconded by Gehring, with a roll call vote of: Stangel “yes”, Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion to adopt Resolution R-2-23 as an emergency made by Walter, seconded by Stangel, with a roll call vote of: Stangel “yes”, Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 6-0

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business: Nothing to report

Audience:

- Resident John Scheiring was present and voiced his concerns about East Washington Street potholes and traffic. Stangel and Gauchat both reminded him that they had just mentioned they are going to be looking for grants to repair that area, reiterating that the village does not have that kind of money to fix them solely.

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Stangel, seconded by Gehring, with all council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 6-0

Mayor DeRossett adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.