

Village of Spencer
Council Meeting of May 18, 2022

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

Others present: Dan DeRossett, Mayor Sheri Ramey, Fiscal Officer Greg Huber, Solicitor

Irene Gehring Rob Lenhart Bev Zeigler
Laura Braddock Brandon Herrick Kathy Grasz, LMRE

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

Minutes:

The minutes from the April 16, 2022 meeting were read individually. A motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2022 meeting made by Gehring, seconded by Gauchat, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer’s Report:

The treasurer’s report was reviewed. A motion to approve the treasurer’s report made by Stangel seconded by Krystofek, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 5-0.

List of Bills:

The list of bills were reviewed. A motion to approve the list of bills made by Stangel, seconded by Gehring, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 5-0.

Gov’t agencies etc.:

- **Beautification Committee and Historical Society:**
 - Irene reported that the flower pots would be filled the following week after the meeting.
- **LMRE:**
 - Kathy Grasz, LMRE, was present and discussed the new blue prints created by Alber and Rice. She said that they are submitting them to Cunningham to review and informed council that they are working on the letter of credit and bond as well.
 - Grasz announced that the ground breaking for Phase I of the project will be on June 1st at 6:00p.m. and continued saying that LMRE would like everyone to be there as well as the township trustees and planning commission.
- **BPA: Irene Gehring**
 - Irene discussed with council that they are working with the fire department on using village water for training purposes. They discussed the hydrant on North Main as well and she said that Ken Homoki was looking in to replacing it and/or repairing it. Ken reported that he was going to a class on how to repair them and he also said that to get a new hydrant they have told him would be hard to find and could take even over a year to get one.
 - Kiouisis and Irene discussed the hydrant sitting in water and/or being encased in concrete and/or not set right to begin with, leading to freezing and other issues because it cannot drain.
- **Mayor’s report: Dan DeRossett...**
 - Mayor reported that Crossroads should be starting the walk paths at Firestone Park the following day.
 - He also reported:
 - Gauchat met with the Western Reserve Land Conservancy to walk the Lech property.
 - He will be meeting with Nils Johnson from Cunningham the following day to look at an East Main storm sewer that was videoed showing that is an old 4” galvanized pipe that may be eroding. They could not see the bottom of the pipe though.
 - He spoke to ODOT about the resurfacing of Rt.301 and Rt.162. He was told they would probably start August 15th and complete them by October 31st.
 - Reported that the batting cages were installed at the park
 - Reported on the unpaid court fines from the county were being taken of, and Huber will update during his report.

Solicitor's report: Greg Huber...

- Huber reported that he finally was able to get an answer from the County Clerk of Courts regarding the missing police court fines that Ramey had been asking about for some time.
 - He was informed that they had starting using a new software program in 2019 to record fines and cases. Since the Village of Spencer is the only department that uses the Basic Code in the county, they erroneously were sending all the fines to the county auditor and not to the village. With that being said the village is now owed the sum of \$27,832.00 from the county auditor.
 - Huber and council discussed the pool issue in the village as Huber was looking into other places as well to see what their legislation was from last month's meeting.
 - Huber said that even though some pools were in before the legislation they are not considered to be grandfathered in either. He had copies of Medina's pool legislation for council to look at.
 - Kiouisis asked what was wrong with having the railing system on top of the pool versus a fence and he thought that would be an acceptable addition to not have to put a fence around the pool since it extends the top of the pool by two feet.
 - Council is still looking into the issue and will revisit it at the next meeting.

Finance: Tom Gehring: ...

- Nothing to report...Next meeting June 9th at 4:00 p.m.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sanitation: Jeff Gauchat:

- Bev Zeigler asked if the village had any plans to fix the Washington Street by the township garage
 - Mayor told her they did not at this time due to budget issues.
 - Next meeting June 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Legislative and Planning: Chris Krystofek:

- Krystofek reported that they had went over zoning on pools again at length as well as the potential squatter on Reed Street. Mayor DeRossett said that the police have said he is gone. Next meeting June 13th at 6:30 p.m.
 - Brandon had an inquiry on a shed, a fence and a pool permit, but hasn't issued anything yet.

Parks/Buildings & Lighting: Jim Stangel:

- Stangel apologized that the batting cages went up before it was approved, there was a lack of communication he said.
- Gehring reported that he had the signed concession contract back, and again the Crossroads paving company starting the next day.
- Gauchat asked if the goal posts belonged to anyone and if they could be disposed of. He was told they belong to the soccer association at the school.
 - He will contact the Athletic director to see about getting them removed.
- Next meeting June 6th at 6:00 p.m.

Safety/ Parking, Vehicle & Health: Jim Kiouisis:

- No report...Next meeting June 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Fiscal Officer's Report: Sheri Ramey:

- Ramey read by title only the following legislation:
 - Resolution R-3-22
A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE AMENDED ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE FOR THE YEAR 2022, TO REFLECT THE FOLLOWING ADJUSTMENTS, ADDITIONS AND/OR NEGATIONS AND TO DECLARE 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", Kiouisis "yes". Motion carried 5-0.
A motion to adopt Resolution R-3-22 as an emergency made by Gehring, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Stangel "yes", Krystofek "yes", Gehring "yes", Gauchat "yes", Kiouisis "yes". Motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

- Tom Gehring announced the concerts in the park to be June 12th, July 10th, August 14th, and September 11th.
- Bev Ziegler discussed the Memorial Day parade and that it will start at 9:00 a.m. as usual.

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Gehring, seconded by Kiouisis with all council members voting "aye". Motion carried 5-0

Mayor DeRossett adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.