

Village of Spencer
Council Meeting of May 17, 2023

Council members present: Chris Krystofek Tom Gehring
Jeff Gauchat Vanessa Walter (arrived at 7:25 pm) Jim Kiouisis

Others present: Dan DeRossett, Mayor Sheri Ramey, Fiscal Officer Greg Huber, Solicitor
Irene Gehring Mike Wright Bev Zeigler Laura Braddock Patty Worchester

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

Minutes:

The minutes from the April 19, 2023 meeting were read individually. A motion to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2023 meeting made by Krystofek, seconded by Gauchat, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 4-0.

Treasurer’s Report:

The treasurer’s report was reviewed. A motion to approve the treasurer’s report made by Gehring seconded by Kiouisis, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 4-0.

List of Bills:

The list of bills were reviewed. A motion to approve the list of bills made by Kiouisis, seconded by Krystofek, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 4-0.

Gov’t agencies etc:

- Historical Society and Bicentennial committee:
 - Irene Gehring informed council that the flower pots were finished and also reported that the Historical Society will have the grand re-opening of the museum on the Sunday of the Bicentennial celebration after a long remodeling project.

Mayor’s report: Dan DeRossett:

- Mayor reported that had three quotes for electrical estimates and one property appraiser that he will be meeting with in the coming weeks.
- Mayor also reported that the roof was missing some shingles and also that he drone-footage of the roof at the old school as well as the roof of the legion building. He will contact some roofing companies to get estimates as well.

Solicitor’s report: Greg Huber:

- Huber discussed with council, the condition of the old school. It has become a nuisance apparently, and he said that if council wanted him to, he would start the process of having it condemned and demolished with the assistance of the county building department.
 - Council agreed to have Huber contact the owner one more time and if there was no satisfaction, then they will proceed with legal procedures.

Finance: Tom Gehring: Nothing to report. Next meeting June 15, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

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

- Gauchat reported that Todd will be having the storm sewers jetted in the next couple of weeks.
 - No meeting in June

Parks/Buildings & Lighting: Jim Stangel:

- Gauchat reported that they are waiting on estimates from Kevin Walter for the filed #4 dugout repairs.
- Patty Worchester was present and discussed a grant that was available though ODNr that she, Kelly Barrett and Jordan Christianson had been working on for a piece of equipment for the park.
 - Council had many questions about the grant that she said would have to be submitted by June 1st .

- There was a long discussion about the timeliness of pushing the grant through since it would take legislation and council was not willing to put the substantial amount of money needed upfront to purchase the equipment, without a guarantee that they would receive the grant.
- It was decided to purchase the original equipment that Barrett had received grants and donations for previously and work on the ODNR grant for next year; but when doing so, keeping the fiscal officer and council apprised of what was going on with it during the process, and not right before the grant is due; In doing so, any money needed could be budgeted for such projects ahead of time.
- No meeting in June

Legislative and Planning: Chris Krystofek:

- Krystofek reported that they looked at different chicken keeping ordinances from other entities and are still working on it.
 - Next meeting is June 13, 2023 @7:30 p.m.

Safety/ Parking, Vehicle & Health: Jim Kiouisis:

- Kiouisis reported that the committee approved the purchase of a new outer vest for the department last month, but instead Wright wanted to use that money, and add more, to purchase a head rest printer mount for the cruiser. .
 - A motion to allow Wright to spend up to \$500.00 to purchase the head rest made by Kiouisis, seconded by Krystofek, with all present council members voting “aye”. Motion carried 5-0.
 - Next meeting is June 13, 2023 @7:00 p.m.

Fiscal Officer’s Report: Sheri Ramey: Ramey read by title only the following legislation:

Ordinance 8-23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 8 OF ORDINANCE NO. 16-22 FIXING THE MAXIMUM SALARY AND/OR WAGES OF THE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SPENCER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Stangel, seconded by Gauchat, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 8-23 as an emergency made by Walter, seconded by Gauchat, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance 9-23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5-23 INCREASING WATER RATES FOR WATER USAGE BY SPENCER VILLAGE WATER USERS SO AS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR CONTINUED WATER SERVICE

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Kiouisis, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 9-23 as an emergency made by Walter, seconded by Gauchat, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance 10-23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 6-23 INCREASING SANITARY SEWER RATES FOR SANITARY SEWER SERVICE TO SPENCER VILLAGE SEWER USERS SO AS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR CONTINUED SANITARY SEWER SERVICE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Kiouisis, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 10-23 as an emergency made by Walter, seconded by Gauchat, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance 11-23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2-23 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDED AGREEMENT TO RE-ESTABLISH THE MEDINA COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND HOMELAND SECURITY AND DELARING AN EMERGENCY

A motion to waive the three-reading requirement was made by Kiouisis, seconded by Walter, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 11-23 as an emergency made by Walter, seconded by Kiouisis, with a roll call vote of: Krystofek “yes”, Gehring “yes”, Gauchat “yes”, Walter “yes”, Kiouisis “yes”. Motion carried 5-0.

Audience:

- No audience participation

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business: Nothing to report

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

Mayor DeRossett adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.