

Village of Spencer
Council Meeting of October 16, 2024

Council members present: Jim Stangel Tom Gehring Chris Krystofek
Steve Ensign (arrived at 7:07 pm) Kaylie Miner Jeff Gauchat

Others present: Mayor Jim Kiouisis Sheri Ward, Fiscal Officer Greg Huber, Solicitor
Mike Wright Laura Braddock Rob Lenhart Ken Homoki Irene Gehring Todd Mosher

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

Minutes:

The minutes from the September 18, 2024 meeting were read individually. A motion to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2024 meeting made by Stangel, 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 Gehring, with all present council members voting "aye". Motion carried 5-0.

List of Bills:

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

Gov't agencies etc:

BPA...Homoki reported that they started the new blower building that morning.

Beautification Committee...Irene Gehring reminded everyone that the Breakfast with Santa and the Christmas Tree lighting is on December 7, 2024.

Historical Society... Nothing to report

Planning Commission...Braddock informed council that they are still working on the zoning book.

Mayor's report: Jim Kiouisis:

- Mayor reported that he has been busy with working with the planning commission and hasn't really had the chance to do much else.

Solicitor's report: Greg Huber: Nothing to report

Finance: Tom Gehring:

- Ward reported that the committee recommended the purchase of a saw for Todd to clear the woods for up to \$600.00 and also \$500.00 for half the cost of the new Christmas tree since the current one is dying.
 - A motion to purchase the saw and the Christmas tree made by Gehring, seconded by Stangel with all council members voting "aye". Motion carried 6-0.
 - Next meeting November 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sanitation: Jim Stangel: Not present

- Todd reported that the cost of salt is \$50.63 per ton, but said he wanted to use what he has first, and he said the county told him they should have plenty if needed.
 - No meeting in November

Legislative and Planning: Chris Krystofek: Nothing to report

- Next meeting November 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Parks/Buildings & Lighting: Jeff Gauchat:

- Gauchat reported that they went over a five-year plan to include repairing the dugout, and that he is looking for grants as well..
- Ensign asked about getting trash cans out and around the disc golf course. Gauchat will look into pricing on them.
 - No meeting in November

Safety/ Parking, Vehicle & Health: Tom Gehring:

- Chief Wright is still looking into AED's and grants or some sort of financing. He also reported that they would be outfitting the new police cruiser the following day by Hall Public Safety.
 - Next meeting November 12, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

Fiscal Officer's Report: Sheri Ward:

- Ward read by title only the following legislation:

Ordinance 20-24

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE VILLAGE OF SPENCER, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

A motion to adopt Ordinance 20-24 as an emergency made by Gehring, seconded by Stangel, with a roll call vote of: Stangel "yes", Krystofek "yes", Gehring "yes", Ensign "yes", Miner "yes", Gauchat "yes". Motion carried 6-0.

Resolution R5-24

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2025 AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

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

A motion to adopt Resolution R5-2424 as an emergency made by Gehring, seconded by Krystofek, with a roll call vote of: Stangel "yes", Krystofek "yes", Gehring "yes", Ensign "yes", Miner "yes", Gauchat "yes". Motion carried 6-0.

Zoning: Rob Lenhart

- Lenhart asked the next step for the variance at the legion building.
 - Huber said he would need to get the parcel number and the adjoining neighbors addresses to Ward so she can send out the letters to the residents.
 - Braddock asked what is to go in the letter. Huber said Ward would do that. Ward said she would not. It has always been the planning commission's responsibility to draft the letter, get the addresses to her, and the language for the newspaper. She will then send the letters and email the newspaper.
 - Huber said the hearing, according to what he was reading, had to be within 30 days of the application submitted. Council will have the hearing on November 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
 - The notices would then need to be send out by November 1, 2024, and also put in the paper

Old Business:

- Ensign asked what the status was on the old school building.
 - Rob and Huber are working on it. Huber spoke with the building department and there is substantial cause for demolition.

New Business:

- Mayor discussed the renter at the legion wanting to break the lease or sublet it. Huber said she signed a lease and therefore it stands until the year is up. Council agreed and the myor will inform her.
 - Council discussed using the management company in the future to take the burden off of Ward of having to deal with vetting, rent payments, etc.
- Braddock questioned why LMRE was taking down the fencing by the dirt mound. Ensign said it was probably because they need the dirt to start grading.

Audience: Nothing to report

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Ensign, seconded by Miner, with all council members voting "aye". Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Kiouis adjourned the meeting at 7:51p.m.