

**Village of Spencerville
Council Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2014**

The Spencerville Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 18, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers with Mayor John P. Johnson presiding. Mayor Johnson led the pledge of allegiance. Responding to roll call was Greg Leidy, John Miller, Phil Briggs, John Medaugh, and Greg Hover. Absent was Mike Bice. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Sean Chapman and Clerk/Treasurer Dawn Bailey.

J. Miller moved to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2014 meeting and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Good of the Village

Ida Kay Keller attended the meeting as the Summerfest representative to clarify her request for street closures and to answer any questions from Council. She gave Council a list of people involved in the different aspects of the Summerfest planning. Streets and dates for closure will be Broadway from Fourth St. to Second St. and Third Street from Broadway east to alley on June 25th through 29th. On June 28th Broadway from Second St. to South end of Broadway for the car show 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. June 27th Second St. from Main to Canal for the lawnmower pull from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Craft show will be in the Village Park on Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. J. Medaugh moved to approve the request for the street closures as presented and G. Hover seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Ordinance #14-06 Allowing a One Time Carry-Over of Accrued Vacation Time for Village Employee Darin Cook

J. Miller moved to pass #14-06 on its third reading and G. Leidy seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #14-08 Permanent Appropriation Ordinance

J. Miller moved to suspend the rules and pass #14-08 on its first reading and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #14-09 Authorizing the Village of Spencerville to Participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation Bridge Inspection Program (PID 97103) and to Declare an Emergency

J. Miller moved to suspend the rules and pass #14-09 on its first reading as an emergency and G. Leidy seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #14-10 To Authorize and Direct the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with Jason Flower to Provide Professional Services as the Solicitor for the Village of Spencerville

J. Miller moved to suspend the rules and pass #14-10 on its first reading and G. Hover seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

G. Leidy moved to pay bills in the amount of \$19716.90; P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

There was no business discussed under old business.

New Business

Discussion ensued regarding frozen water lines in the community. Adm. Chapman told council that there have been several; two of which are the Village's responsibility and the others are property owner's responsibility. Chapman explained the water line installation process and noted that some lines were not laid underground far enough to prevent freezing; especially with the unusually cold weather we've experienced lately.

Police Report

Chief Cook was not in attendance however, he left a report with Council stating that he requested that the Village crew clean thirteen properties of snow and ice from resident's sidewalks at their expense. He placed a letter, along with the Village Snow Removal Ordinance, in The Journal News stating that all residents must clean their sidewalks for pedestrian safety.

Administrator's Report

Adm. Chapman presented a written report to Council which was also discussed.

The Scout Hall restroom renovation should be completed by this Saturday and the Girl Scout Troop would like to have an open house soon.

Notice was received from ODOT regarding a new three year bridge inspection program to perform annual bridge inspections within the Village at no cost to us. We currently spend approximately \$3000 with an engineering firm for this service. (Legislation was passed earlier in the meeting.)

WTP Update: PDG met with the OEPA reviewer and he only wanted to see plans that are new; no plans that reflected what has already been completed. He also wanted to review the earlier submittal which was approved by the head of the Division of Drinking and Ground Waters. Additional details were requested about the nanofiltration piping and how it relates to the clean-in-place piping, the chemical feed piping system and the generator, which has been installed. A letter from the Village is required stating that the waste stream from the WTP will be discharged into our sanitary sewer system and treated at the WWTP. PDG will draft the letter, signed by Chapman and returned to OEPA.

Employees Burnett, Rupert and Chapman are registered for a trenching and excavating seminar in Celina on Feb. 19th at a cost of \$110.00 each.

Several leaks have been discovered and repaired around the community including 303 Brett Lane and at Spencerville Dental Offices.

Employee Bill Becker is registered for seminars in Columbus at a cost of \$285.00 each for contact hours for certifications. March 14 & 15 is a water workshop; March 25 & 26 a wastewater workshop. Chapman has registered for a similar training in Columbus at a cost of \$285 for Dec. 11 & 12.

Reminder: Effective May 1, 2014, all payments for the water, sewer and garbage bills will be collected at the Village Utility office located at 524 N. Broadway. Notification will be sent with customer's bills. Plans are being made for the transition. Information is also being gathered regarding the possibility of offering the option of credit card payments.

Chapman estimated that for the first nine days of February we spent approximately \$13,000 for snow removal; this includes labor, fringes, equipment, fuel, salt and repairs.

An estimated has been received from Kirk Brothers in the amount of \$2781.45 to replace the fence along the west edge of the WTP site which separates the plant from the pool. The fence was damaged during construction. With no objection from Council, Chapman will authorize the work and make sure it is included in a change order as part of the WTP construction project.

March 2014 marks the expiration of the First Energy Electric aggregation program that voters passed in 2011. The Allen County Commissioners plan to continue the program which will automatically be re-bid every three years. Indications are that the new rate will be similar to the existing rate of 5.85 cents/kwh.

Notice has been received that phase II of the Moving Ohio Forward Demolition program has been approved for Allen County. The allocation is only for around \$30,000 and the procedures will differ from phase I; WSOS will not be assisting with the process so each jurisdiction will have to perform the surveys, legal notices, demolition contract and costs

themselves. Chapman does not advise that the Village participate in phase II; we are still in the process of trying to complete phase I.

From July 2013 through December 2013, the total amount of recyclable materials removed from the Village was 39 tons. Chapman hopes to get the stats for the first six months of 2013 before ACR took over the contract. Mayor Johnson said he was asked if ACR is planning to provide recycle bins for residents as they did the trash containers. Chapman responded that it's not practical for them to do so because the Village's percentage of recycling is not high enough compared to other communities. Residents should continue to use the yellow recycle bins provided by the Village.

Notice has been received that we have been approved for a grant of \$78,000 for the OPWC street project for 2014.

G. Leidy told Chapman he saw the driver of one of our snow plows driving too fast on Pearl St.; Chapman will discuss with his crew.

J. Medaugh said he was asked who is responsible for the fencing around the old Trim Trends property which is falling down; Chapman said it is the property owner. He will contact him about the condition of the fencing.

Committee Reports

There were none given and no meetings scheduled at this time.

Other

Reminder of a pool fundraiser committee sponsored bingo on Feb. 23rd from 1-4 p.m. at Miller Harmony Grove.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
John P. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dawn R. Bailey, Clerk/Treasurer