

REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, July 7, 15, 5:00 PM, City Hall

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER;
2. ROLL CALL; 8 present, 0 absent
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
4. PUBLIC COMMENTARY;
None.
5. Mayor's Comments;
Fourth of July Celebration went well. An incident occurred on July 3rd that involved one of our squad cars, no serious injuries. Bob Brown, longtime resident, passed away Friday. Bob was instrumental with Railroad Memories Museum. Thanked Terri Reiter for submission of an application for SPARK grant. Grant monies will be used to develop a brochure, if awarded. Terri was awarded \$25.00 prize for entering League of Municipalities photo competition, for spirit of community, which she will be donating to K9 project. Rodeo is this weekend. Shared couple of thanks you from Jean Hobart & family and Fred Schluter.
6. Approval of Agenda;
Motion (Gabriel/Dohm) to approve agenda. PASSED.
7. CONSENT AGENDA:
****All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered routine & will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event item will be removed from the General Order of Business & considered at this point to agenda.**
 - a) *Accept Minutes from 6/2/15 Regular Council;
 - b) *Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to Approve monthly payables Checks- 36896-37084, 15050301-15050304, 15052701-15052704, 15060901-15060903, 15062401-15062405, 20150504, 20150507, 20150518, 20150603, 20150610, 20150618;
 - c) *Accept Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve RESOLUTION NO. 15-14, 7/7/15, COMPLIANCE MAINTENANCE RESOLUTION;
 - d) *Accept Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Street Closing Request Jack Pine Savage Days;
 - e) *Accept Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Permits for Park Use;
 - Ain Dah Ing, Inc. – 8/15/15 – College St Park
 - Spooner Alumni Marching Band – 7/10/15 – College St Park
 - Jehovah's Witnesses, Spooner – 7/18, 8/15 - Centennial Park, Section 1 9/5 - Centennial Park, Section 2;
 - f) *Accept Safety & License Committee Recommendation to Approve Licenses:
 - 2 Yrs Operator's Licenses 7/7/15–6/30/17 for Megan J Grimm, Melvin W LaPorte, Judy K Harris;
 - Applications for Licenses:
 - Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Picnic License – Spooner Area Chamber of Commerce - Jack Pine Savage Days, 8/3-8/9/15
 - g) *Accept Safety & License Committee Recommendation to Approve Delegation of Authority to Grant Picnic Licenses per WI Stat. 125.26(1) and 125.51(1)(a), to Clk/Deputy Clk subject to application be submitted at least 15 days in advance;
 - h) *Accept Plan Commission Recommendation to Refer Site Plan for 609 N. River St for Variance Application Review by BOA;
 - i) *Accept Personnel Committee Recommendation to fill Lineman Position vacancy with existing St Dept Employee Ken Richter as Apprentice;
 - j) *Accept Personnel Committee Recommendation to fill St Dept vacancy with current PT employee Tom Romportl at 80% of Journeyman St Worker Wage;
Motion (Dohm/Reiter) to approve items a-d & f-j consent agenda & pull item E. PASSED.
Item e: Motion (Stelter/Dohm) to approve item e, with the exception that Jehovah's Witnesses on Sept 5th use section 2 of Centennial Park. PASSED.
8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:
 - a) Finance Committee Recommendation to Approve RESOLUTION 15-15, 7/7/15 A RESOLUTION AMENDING WASTEWATER USER RATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY OF SPOONER CODE OF ORDINANCES;
Dunn - Finance Committee discussed & recommends increase in wastewater user rates effective 7-1-15. Motion (Schluter/Reiter) to approve Resolution 15-15, 7/7/15 amending wastewater user rates in accordance with City of Spooner Code of Ordinances. PASSED.
 - b) Finance Committee Recommendation to Approve PSC submittal of a Simplified Rate Case Application for Water Rate Increase of 3%;
Finance Committee recommends a 3% rate increase in water rates effective 9/1/15 & rates should be reviewed annually. Motion (Dunn/Stelter) to approve PSC submittal of a simplified rate case application for water rate increase of 3%. PASSED.
 - c) Finance & Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to Purchase Vac-Con Jet/Vac truck from Envirotech Equipment \$342,800;
Cuskey - It's a large expense for a piece of equipment. Dohm – reviewed purchasing vs contracting piece of equipment & purchasing was better option. Motion (Reiter/Ortmann) to approve purchase of Vac-Con Jet/Vac truck from Envirotech Equipment for \$342,800.00. PASSED.
 - d) Request to accept proposal from Community Bank of Northern Wisconsin to provide ten year GO loan of \$350,000 for Vac-Con Truck at 2.60% interest rate, Mayor & Treasurer to be signers at a tentative closing date of 8/1/15;
Motion (Dohm/Coquilllette) to approve ten year GO loan, from Community Bank of Northern Wisconsin, for \$350,000 at 2.60% interest rate to purchase Vac-Con Truck, Mayor & Treasurer to be signers at closing. PASSED.
 - e) Finance & Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to Approve Amendment to Park Plan, subject to Public Hearing Prior to August Council Meeting;
Cuskey – thanked Dunn, Ortmann and Coquilllette for all work on updating Park Plan. Dunn – there was also a dozen citizens that use park, which gave input. Marx – it's not necessary to have a public hearing, we can put plan on web site, have a copy at public library and allow 15 minutes for public hearing during a Council meeting. Consensus is to include as part of agenda.

- f) Approve 2 Yrs Operator's Licenses 7/7/15–6/30/17 for Thomas M Cusey;
Motion (Coquillette/Schluter) to approve 2 yrs operator's license for Thomas M Cusey from 7/7/15-6/30/17.
PASSED.
 - g) Approve Pawn Broker License – 7/7/15–6/30/16 for Andrew L. Mason;
Motion (Coquillette/Schluter) to approve Pawn Broker License for Andrew L. Mason from 7/7/15-6/30/16.
PASSED.
 - h) Oak Wilt in Spooner;
Marx – a meeting with Washburn County Forestry Administrator to discuss oak wilt is present in city. It is a fungal infection that spreads through the roots of trees. We can haul it to burning facility. We would need to burn before spring and that should take care of it. The DNR might have some grant monies available to assist. Fred Schluter had oak wilt on his property, reason he had trees cut down.
 - i) Spark Grant Update;
Reiter – the Spark grant application has been submitted and we should hear something in October.
 - j) Update on 2015 Street & Utility Projects;
Marx – all underground work is done, & about half of right of ways have been seeded. Blacktopping tomorrow or Thursday. CDBG project – S Roundhouse Rd sewer is 50% complete, water is done. The pipe crew will be moving to Franklin next week.
9. STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:
- a) Financial Report May 2015;
Motion (Schluter/Reiter) to accept May 2015 financial report as printed. PASSED.
 - b) Chief's Report - incidents during June 2015;
Christman – started fundraising for K-9 project, to date have raised \$10,500. Blues Festival went well. 4 officers attended bullet proof warrior training & 2 attended heroin training. We are investigating a burglary. Total incident - 1065.
 - c) BID Report;
No update
 - d) NWRPC Liaison Report;
Dohm – Annual meeting was held, Sheldon Johnson will be new director. Economic Development staffer reported on number of jobs open and 45% of the applicants cannot pass the drug testing.
 - e) Library Liaison Report
Reiter – the Lorna Landvick event had 78 people in attendance. Jane is talking about waiting until March to retire. Advertising for a new Children/Communication Librarian.
8. Adjournment;
Motion (Dohm/Ortmann) to adjourn. PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

ATTEST:
Patricia Parker, City Clerk

Gary J Cuskey, Mayor