

# REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

February 7, 2012, 5:00 PM, City Hall

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER;**

2. **ROLL CALL;** 8 members present, 0 absent. Others: Marx, Koehn, Chief Andrea, Kohler, Struzan, Jurik, Ortman, Johnson, Zufall, Jensen. Stelter- 5:45, Schluter- 5:55.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTARY;**

None

5. **Mayor's Comments;**

Commented on Dan Whitney – Larry Cable Guy - an interview with NFL wearing t-shirt from Spooner Wis Fire Dist.

6. **Approval of Agenda;**

**Motion (Thompson/Gabriel) to approve agenda. Passed.**

7. **CONSENT AGENDA;**

- a) \*Accept Minutes from January 3, 2012 Regular Council Meeting;
- b) \*Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to approve January, 2012 payables check numbers **31447-31639, 11121301-3, 11122801-4, 20111206, 20111215, 20111227, 12011101-3;**
- c) \*Accept Fin Comm Recommendation to award Squad Car Bid to Cifaldi Motors - \$24,850;
- d) \*Accept Fin Comm Recommendation to Appoint Special Voting Deputy - Spooner School District - Heather Salquist;
- e) \*Accept Muni Oper recommendation to build south feeder for new substation Far East or Wild River Trail route at discretion of Reijo & Marx & plan for long term elimination of overhead line on Front St;
- f) \*Accept Safety & Lic Comm Recommendation to Amend Section 6-42 Closing Hours (2) Carryout Hours, (a), (b), & (c) (Change in time from 8:00 AM to 6:00 AM);
- g) \*Accept Safety & License Committee Recommendation to:

**Approve Two year Operator's License –02/07/2012-06/30/2013: Kordecki and Rydberg**

**Motion (Gabriel/Stelter) to approve consent agenda, items a-g. Passed.**

8. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

- a) **Bike/Pedestrian Plan Presentation by Sheldon Johnson;**

Johnson from Northwest Regional Planning (NWRP) put together bike/pedestrian plan. Johnson walked through a brief power point presentation. Spooner's 2006 Comprehensive Plan has a bike/pedestrian plan within it. The school has also done a good job on a plan within their area. This brings several of these plans together. Several funding sources are also identified in plan. Proposed on street routes, no painting on street is suggested, but there will be route signs. Route takes into consideration wider streets to accommodate traffic & bicycles. Not on every street & not intended to be. Proposed path connects neighborhoods & avoids severe hills so that children can easily maneuver. Bike racks will be installed. Complete Streets – Wisconsin Code discusses having sidewalks along State Highways systems. NWRP inventoried sidewalks, crosswalks & rated them. Recommended sidewalks on several streets to link neighborhoods & give a better path around City. Portable walk signs put out during summer remind traffic they must yield to pedestrians.

Dohm commented that Muni Oper has looked at plan several times & would like to see it passed.

- b) **Allied Waste Presentation Proposed Container Conversion;**

Struzan presented information on container conversion, moving to a carted volume base. Three sizes are offered based on amount of garbage of each resident. Separate cart for recycling increasing participation of recycling. Also controls amount of garbage going into landfill. Residents don't their containers; Allied Waste provides container at no cost. Lids keep out animals & wheels to assist getting cart out to curb. By providing residents with a larger recycling container, people tend to recycle much more. A household of 6 vs 2 will have different charges for their volume of garbage.

**Motion (Dohm/Everroad) to go forward with pricing on conversion. Passed.**

- c) **Award RFP for borrowing to Community Bank of Northern Wisconsin;**

Three bids were considered. 3.4% from Community Bank of Northern Wisconsin was most complete & lowest bidder. Borrowing was previously approved by resolution in 2011.

**Motion (Dunn/Otto) to approve Community Bank of Northern Wisconsin. Passed.**

- d) **Finance Committee recommendation to Approve Request to sponsor Governor's Fishing Opener-\$1,000 for Sunday lunch to be taken out of room tax or contingency & ask BID to co-sponsor in amount of \$500;**

The BID did a general email survey & at this point the BID will not be able to split costs. Concerns costs for a meal being asked to pay for wasn't in City.

**Motion (Dunn/Dohm) to approve a Sunday lunch for \$1,000 out of room tax or contingency fund, there may or may not be a co-sponsor. Passed.**

- e) **Approve Two year Operator's License – February 7, 2012 – June 30, 2013: Paul M Missinne;**

**Motion (Everroad/Thompson) two year operator's license for Missinne. Passed.**

9. **STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:**

- a) **Financial Report December, 2011;**

**Motion (Schluter/Dohm) to approve financial report for December 2011. Passed.**

- b) **Chief's Report - incidents during January, 2012;**

Busy with calls. No major accidents in the City. They were part of a high speed chase into Douglas County with armed robbery suspects. Stop sticks used - very serious pursuit.

Washburn Co is not renewing deputy position & has cut position. Every deputy cut is one less backup person for City. Spooner is centrally situated & puts us in bad position; our staff continually has more mutual aid for Co. Chief Andrea is making this statement out of safety for all officers.

- c) **BID Report;**

Nothing at this time.

- d) **NWRPC Liaison Report;**

Dohm reported they met last January & set budget. Discussion on State Legislature & highway projects.

Dunn complimented City staff for being out during Super Bowl game for a sewer problem.

10. **Adjournment;**

**Motion (Everroad/Dohm) to adjourn. Passed.** Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Debbie Koehn, Clerk/Treasurer

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Gary J Cuskey, Mayor