

## REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

June 6, 17 5:00 PM, City Hall

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; at 5:00 pm by Mayor Cuskey
2. ROLL CALL; 7 present, 1 vacancy
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
4. PUBLIC COMMENTARY;  
Rod Ripley–73<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Normandy & spoke of 1985 agreement regarding land for bldg & hockey rink, which is now owned by City. Would like to meet with committee to develop water & sewer on First St north of Superior St.  
Randy Larson–spoke about concerns with proposed trail to link ballfield to City Park, which will run on a portion of ski trail. Reported gravel surface would create havoc for skiers & their equipment; would essentially remove a large portion of ski trail loop. Would prefer grass trail or even wood chips. Feels trail is a source of pride for our community, brings many people to area & trail is important to many individuals. People who use trail spend money in Spooner. Trail can be maintained with minimum snow. Club is willing to do work on trail at no cost to city. Larson stated he volunteers as many as 40 hours every year maintaining trail. Dr. Katie Eichten, professional, parent, coach & trail user. Spoke of gravel ruining skis. Feels trail is important to professionals who are looking for silent sports & ski trails. Highly educated, wealthy individuals use trail & emphasized economic impact of trails. Reiterated much of what Larson described. In her opinion, gravel essentially invites ATV & 4 wheel vehicles on trail. Narrow trail is safer & is better for weather conditions. Trees are chosen for specific purpose to trail design. Many concerned members present. City received multiple correspondents regarding proposed trail. All correspondents spoke against trail being graveled. Cuskey realizes trail is sensitive to club & feels we can coexist. Mayor will recommend readdressing at committee level to develop a solution for pedestrian use & city st equipment. Crews suggested developing connecting route to lessen time spent between areas. DNR recommended gravel trail. Don't want to destroy the area; grass or wood chips would be just as reliable as gravel. Thanked those present, understand your effort & appreciate your dedication. Will keep informed. Next committee meeting will be Jun 27, 17 at 10:15 am.  
Anna Demers–helps school with Nordic Trail. Have experience & have access to resources. Moved here, because of snow & trails. Dunn–received message from Amber Anderson & was unhappy with removal of trees on trail. Owners of Mayana Chocolate relocated business here, one reason was ski trail system.
5. Mayor's Comments;  
As Mr. Ripley noted, today is 73<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of D-Day. Keep in thoughts & in heart our veterans who have served this country. Dairy breakfast on Saturday from 6:30-10:30 am. Today last day of school, remember to watch for kids on bikes during day. Jacks-A-Hack Golf Tournament is Jun 21. Spooner Railroad Heritage Day & first day of season for Spooner Farmer's Market are Jun 17.
6. Approval of Agenda;  
Motion (Gabriel/Ortmann) 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 General Order of Business & considered at this point to agenda.
  - a) \*Accept Minutes from 5/2/17 Regular Council;
  - b) \*Approve monthly payables checks -- 40052-40195, 17042601-17042605, 17050901-17050903, 17052301-17052305, 20170503, 20170515, 20170522;
  - c) \*Finance Committee Recommendation to approve RES 17-05, 6/6/17, Resolution to Carry Funds Over from 2016 to 2017;
  - d) \*Finance Committee Recommendation to approve RES 17-06, 6/6/17, 2017 Borrowing Resolution;
  - e) \*Property Planning & Development & Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve awarding Madison Construction \$132,968.75 with Bank Letter of Credit for Roundhouse soil remediation project;
  - f) \*Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve RES 17-07, CMAR Report;
  - g) \*Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Infield Groomer Purchase \$4,684 Absolute Innovations Inc;
  - h) \*Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Temporary Street Closing Permit-Spooner Rodeo Parade, Inc. 7/6/17 to 7/9/17;
  - i) \*Accept Safety & License Committee Recommendation to approve Applications for Licenses:
    - Approve 2 Yrs Operators License – 7/1/17-6/30/19 for: Jennifer E Colbert, Michael A Manteuffel, Dayna L Nielsen & Richard J Rich;
    - Approve 2 Yrs Operators License Renewals – 7/1/17-6/30/19 for: Constance S Bradway, Susan Kay Churchill, Richard C Coquillet, John R Ennis, Cynthia Kay Fox, Amy S Gove, Tammy L Hanley, Chelsey R McPeak, Melanie A Meacham, Shaun E Nelson, Judy J Rasmussen, Denise M Sando, Sharon F Schroeder, H. Thomas Spelbring, Louie J Villella, & Mary A Villella;
    - Class A Combination Liquor License – 7/1/17–6/30/18 for Schmitz's Economart, Kwik Trip Inc, & Shopko Hometown #632;
    - Class A Beer Combination (Cider Only) License – 7/1/17–6/30/18 for Holiday Stationstore #14 & Holiday #72;
    - Class B Beer License – 7/1/17–6/30/18 for Denelie's Pizza & Sam Hicks Drive In;
    - Class B Combination Liquor License – 7/1/17–6/30/18 for Big Dick's Buckhorn Inn, Snags Sports Bar, Tony's Riverside, Wobblin' Duck Saloon, Bass Hunters Saloon, Corner House Pub, Spooner Market & Grill & Poor Boys Rest;
    - Class B Beer License & Class C Wine – 7/1/17–6/30/18 for Dock Coffee, Spooner Family Rest & Nicks Family Rest;Motion (Reiter/Donovan) to approve items a–i on consent agenda. PASSED.
8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:
  - a) Approval to proceed with Stewardship Grant Application as written with a gravel trail connecting First St Field & College St Park;  
Marx-grant has been submitted; deadline was May 1. Spoke regarding application at May Council mtg. Initially submitted application on parking lots & creating new parking, but DNR reviewer suggested trail. Didn't know that crew would remove trees. Will need to look at options, have St Superintendent here to discuss, inform DNR what type of trail is decided & then amend grant application. Referred back to Municipal Operations Committee.
  - b) Reaffirmation that previous Council Action (7/7/1987) demonstrates City Commitment to a public parking area on Lots 1-4, Block 16, 1<sup>st</sup> Addition (opposite of 301 Walnut);  
Marx–current owners of civic center want a sense of security that we will not develop parking lot into something else. Reflected on Council minutes from 7/7/1987 & discussion followed. There was very little parking at time. Ordinance specific to parcel. Council made decision in 1987 & this Council will not repeal.  
Motion (Dunn/Coquillet) to reaffirm City's intention & commitment for public parking area on Lots 1-4, Block 16, 1<sup>st</sup> Addition, (opposite of 301 Walnut St) to remain public parking lot. PASSED.
9. STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:
  - a) Financial Report Apr 2017;  
Motion (Reiter/Gabriel) to approve Apr 17 Financial Report. Passed.

- b) Chief's Report - incidents during May 17;  
3<sup>rd</sup> annual Foot Pursuit 5k with over 140 people registered. Thank Spooner Physical Therapy & Rehab Specialists, Spooner Police Foundation members, sponsors, volunteers & participants for making run possible. Right Track Program graduation at Middle School. Two 8<sup>th</sup> grade students job shadowed officers. No department meeting. Captain Pank conducted Alice training at Maple Ridge Center. Chief presented drug awareness class at SHS health class. Officers attended pursuit training. Working with Human Services on possible child abuse case. Officers executed search warrant on vehicle after K9 alerted. Department has been made aware of threats to police officers & facility. Hoping for charges brought against individual. Citizens reported finding syringes in various locations. Officers responded to threat to SPH Graduation ceremony. Mayor—we have many more calls than Shell Lake. Good job.
  - c) BID Report;  
Flowers & fairy doors are out. Working on upgrades to website.
  - d) NWRPC Liaison Report;  
Dohm—Losing a tenant, Peragon is moving to Shell Lake, increasing staff. Opposed earlier discussion & voiced concerns regarding commentary & not all parties present.
  - e) Railroad Park Update;  
Reiter—progress moving upward & onward, bios have been completed, media information being put together. Media event along with ribbon cutting will be during Jack Pine Savage Days on Aug 4 at 3pm. Mayor debt of gratitude to Terry for her dedication & spearheading project.
  - f) Library Liaison Report;  
Reiter—multiple partnerships working with library including movie theater. Spoke of many activities & dates happening this summer at library.
10. Adjournment;  
Motion (Dohm/Dunn) to adjourn meeting. PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.

ATTESTED BY:

Krista J. Lyons-Hartwig, City Treasurer

Gary J Cuskey, Mayor