

## REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday September 2, 2014 5:00 PM, City Hall

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER;**
2. **ROLL CALL;** 7 present, 1 (Dunn in at 5:20 p.m.), others present
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTARY;**  
Called for comment 3 times. None.
5. **Mayor's Comments;**  
School has begun, be careful driving w/ more children out & about. Detours for several water projects.
6. **Approval of Agenda;**  
**Motion (Gabriel/Schluter) to approve agenda. Passed.**
7. **Wisconsin Tourism – Drew Nussbaum;**  
Mayor introduced Drew Nussbaum of Wisconsin Tourism Department. Nussbaum had earlier attended Railroad Park meeting & likes idea of railroads & is a self-admitted train junky. Railroad were people who first plotted 10 blocks of City. He gave power point on Spooner railroad history. He feels turn table & roundhouse are one of only ones in existence. He feels this is crown jewel of nw Wis. Discussion on a photo of the roundhouse/turntable in 1910. He claims Social Media went wild with some pictures displayed. Sand tower is still standing & should also be preserved. He is asking council to seriously contemplate saving this place. City should secure & get it purchased. Mayor noted that Phase II will be updated, through local DNR representative. Nussbaum believes weight of State Tourism will be behind this as soon as City owns the property or other tax exempt.
8. **CONSENT AGENDA;**
  - a) Accept Minutes from August 13, 19, 28, 2014 Committee of the Whole Meetings & August 5, 2014 Regular Council Meeting;
  - b) Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to approve Monthly Payables Check Numbers: **35567-35696, 14070801-14070803, 14072301-14072305, 14080501-14080503, 20140705, 20140717, 20140721, 20140804, 20140818;**
  - c) Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to direct Marx to investigate funding options for 2014-2015 capital projects;
  - d) Accept Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve expansion of ATV routes to include access to Tourism Visitor Center via Vine Street & Front Street - \$500;
  - e) \*Accept Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Proposal for weed control at First St ball field - \$1,000;
  - f) \*Accept Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Street Closing Request Jack O Lantern Fest and Pumpkin Roll, October 11, 2014, w/ provision there be more thorough cleanup;
  - g) \*Accept Safety & License Recommendation to approve Picnic License, Jack O Lantern Fest, October 11, 2014 in an accorded off area in parking lot;

Pull E for question.  
**Motion (Schluter/Gabriel) to approve consent agenda A through g without Item E. Passed.**  
Pull Item e. three applications to get rid of clover. If do this on a regular bases it won't be as expensive. Cost includes over seeding.  
**Motion (Dohm/Thompson) to approve item e. Passed.**
8. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**
  - a) Approve Two Years Operator's License  
Aaron Arf 09/02/2014 to 06/30/2016.  
**Motion (Schluter/Dohm) to approve Two years operator's license for Aaron Arf 09/02/2014 to 06/30/2016. Passed.**
  - b) Finance Committee Recommendation to approve purchase of Susteen Forensic Software and hardware - \$6,600 total less grant funds of \$3,375 Total \$3,245 plus \$995/yr. maintenance from contingency;  
Police Department applied for and received a grant to handle cell phone investigations.  
**Motion (Stelter/Ortmann) to approve purchase of Susteen Forensic Software. Passed. Roll call**
  - c) Action on Lease Agreement and Development Agreement for Spooner Activity Center;  
No action at this time.
9. **STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:**
  - a) Financial Report July, 2014;  
**Motion (Schluter/Stelter) to accept financial report. Passed.**
  - b) Chief's Report - incidents during August 2014;  
Jack Pine was a success, no incidents. Captain Pank successfully negotiated grant for Susteen Forensic Software. Brugman is full time now & is working out well. Officer Anderson completed

field training as a part time officer. Attempted arson of a vehicle. Reports of gun shots. A drug arrest that included heroine. 926 calls through August 26<sup>th</sup>.

c) BID Report:

Nothing new. Hope for a good fall also, it has been busy.

d) NWRPC Liaison Report:

Not much to report. Business as usual.

e) Library Liaison Report:

407 children on summer reading program. They have an entire schedule for 100 year celebration of Library.

10. Adjournment:

**Motion (Dohm/Thompson) to adjourn. Passed.** Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Debbie Koehn, Clerk

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Gary J Cuskey, Mayor