

REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Oct 3, 17 5:00 PM, City Hall

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER; Mayor Cuskey called to order at 5:00 pm
2. ROLL CALL; 7 present, 1 vacancy
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
4. PUBLIC COMMENTARY;
None.
5. Mayor's Comments;
Mayor – Jack O Lantern Fest is 10/14, many activities planned. Halloween is 10/31, please be vigilant. Fall Clean-up is Nov 4th from 10:00 to 1:00.
6. Halloween Proclamation;
Mayor read Halloween Proclamation declaring official hours for trick or treating on 10/31 from 4 to 8 pm. Motion (Dunn/Reiter) to accept Halloween Proclamation. PASSED.
7. Approval of Agenda;
Motion (Reiter/Dohm) to approve agenda. PASSED.
8. 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 9/5/17 Reg Council Mtg;
 - b) *Finance Committee Recommendation to approve monthly payables checks – 40603-40704, 17083101-17083102, 17091201-17091204, 20170906, 20170907, 20170920;
 - c) *Finance Committee Recommendation to approve Selection of Consultant to SEH;
 - d) *Finance Committee Recommendation to approve Purchase of Robotic Total Station for \$13,500 cost to be distributed between utilities & city;
 - e) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Temporary St & Parking Lot Closing Permit for Spooner Area Chamber's Jack O Lantern Fest, Oct 13-14, 2017;
 - f) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Centennial Park Ladies Night Out Event, 11/20/17;
 - g) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to cooperate with Town of Spooner in Paving Ojibwa Rd;
 - h) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Purchase of Protective Flooring from New Dimension for \$9903.45 installed;
 - i) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Request for Street Light at Dog Park;
 - j) *Municipal Operations Recommendation to Award Bid for Monitoring Well Abandonment Roundhouse Property to DMB Drilling Co, Inc. for \$2010;Motion (Coquilllette/Ortmann) to approve items a–j on consent agenda. PASSED.
9. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:
 - a) Municipal Operations Recommendation to approve Rate Study & Wastewater Rate Resolution 17-08, 10/3/17; Marx – rate study was completed, which resulted in increasing wastewater rate to keep up with operational & repair expenditures. Auditor is recommending small annual increases. Motion (Dohm/Ortmann) to approve rate study & Wastewater Rate Resolution 17-08, 10/3/17, amending Wastewater User Rates. PASSED.
 - b) Approve Class B Combination Liquor License–10/4/17-6/30/18 for El Tequila Mexican Restaurant, 527 N River St; Motion (Reiter/Donovan) to approve Class B Combination Liquor License, 10/4/17–6/30/18 for El Tequila Mexican Restaurant, 527 N River St. PASSED.
 - c) Approve Temporary Picnic License–Spooner Area Chamber of Commerce Jack-O-Lantern Fest, 10/14/17; Motion (Reiter/Donovan) to approve temporary picnic license for Spooner Area Chamber of Commerce Jack-O-Lantern Fest, 10/14/17. PASSED.
 - d) Approve 2 Yrs Operators License–10/3/17-6/30/19 for Heather N Mathews, Peggy L Frey & Tonja M Huehn; Motion (Reiter/Donovan) to approve 2 yrs operators license, 10/3/17-6/30/19, for Heather N Mathews, Peggy L Frey & Tonja M Huehn. PASSED.
 - e) 2018 Budget; Dunn – Finance committee met this morning, made a few changes. We are very constrained by State. Proposed budget will see City's mill rate increase \$30.04 per \$100,000 of valuation. Finance Committee has approved to publish budget. Budget Hearing will be held prior to November Council mtg. Motion (Dunn/Gabriel) to accept budget for publication. PASSED.
 - f) Mayors Appointment to Room Tax Commission; Mayor would like to appointment Jena Christensen to Room Tax Commission for term of 10/3/17-4/17/18. Motion (Dunn/Ortmann) to approve Mayor's appointment of Jena Christensen to Room Tax Commission term ending 4/17/18. PASSED.
 - g) October Committee Meeting–discuss changing date to 10/24/17; Marx–we needed to change Plan Commission to 10/24/17 because of other conflicts, asked Council if they wanted to change other committee mtgs to same date. Council consensus is to leave meetings on 10/31.
 - h) Closing for sale of 302 Walnut & 510 N Summit St; Marx–no action is needed, there were some issues that came up, but have since been resolved.

10. STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:

- a) Financial Report Aug 17; Motion (Reiter/Dohm) to accept Aug 17 financial report. PASSED.
 - b) Chief's Report - incidents during Sep 17; Chief Christman—preparation for Spooner PD haunted house has begun. This year collected food will be given to Washburn County Food Pantry & monetary donations to Lions Club for their Kids Christmas program. Officers are meeting to exchange drug intelligence between agencies. Two simultaneous drug search warrants were executed resulting in arrest of 4 subjects. Currently, over 90 drug arrests for year, as compared to 64 in 2016. Christman attended emergency management training, which simulated a train derailment & 3 officers attended SWAT training at Volk Field. Total incidents for Sep = 987.
 - c) BID Report; Dunn—BID has been working to upgrade their website. Just hired someone locally, feels she'll do a great job to make site user friendly.
 - d) NWRPC Liaison Report; Dohm—still has money to hand out to an expanding businesses that qualifies.
 - e) Railroad Park Update; Marx—they are starting to shore up timbers. Reiter—postponed Sept's mtg to Oct 4th, will start discussing landscaping plans. Continue to receive some donations. Press release in newspaper. Looking into some grants.
 - f) Library Liaison Report; Reiter—busy place, they have put out their third newsletter. Angela has a goal to develop 2 computer science programs. Continue to have Lego club Monday evenings, Thursday there's a children's program. Many events for Jack O Lantern Fest. Human Trafficking program brought in 42 attendees.
11. Adjournment; Motion (Dohm/Ortmann) to adjourn mtg. PASSED. Mtg adjourned at 5:26 pm.

ATTESTED BY:

Patricia Parker, City Clerk

Gary J Cuskey, Mayor