

REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

December 7, 2010

5:00 PM

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER;**
2. **ROLL CALL:** 8 members present, 0 members absent, Coquillette, Ford, Ford, Zufall, Kohler, Chief Andrea, Staff Sgt Jason Miller
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTARY;**
47 years ago, WWII started-Pearl Harbor. Thanks for service.
5. **Mayor's Comments;**
Thank community for decorating in Centennial Park. Looks great & very festive. City looks nice in general. Mayors Ball is this Saturday night. Noted that Everroad has put in a lot of work on this. Mayor & Marx had very interesting meeting with State Highway Patrol (DOT) regarding Highway 63 going through City. Looking 2016 to do project. There will be a public information meeting & get input from public prior to 2016. If an opening occurs in their program, they can potentially do this project earlier. Everroad designed & created at Christmas card for troops in Iraq. Mayor Cuskey introduced Sgt Jason Miller & presented him with card signed by many citizens of area.
6. **Approval of Agenda;**
Motion (Mortier/Schluter) to approve agenda. Passed.
7. **Presentation to Street Department Employee John Scalzo on his retirement after 28 years;**
Scalzo could not be here tonight to accept his plaque, but we wish him well. It is so little for 28 years of work, being out in the cold, after hours, & everything else that goes on in their profession.
8. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Council member so requests.
 - a) *Accept Minutes from November 3,2010 Regular Council Meeting;
 - b) *Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to approve November, 2010 payables(Checks 29531-29652);
 - c) *Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to renew 2011 Liability Insurance and Workers Comp with Murphy Insurance Group, Liability Coverage - \$20,718, Workers Comp \$30,039 with 30% Guaranteed Dividend;
 - d) *Accept Municipal Operations Recommendation to agree to concept of establishing Disc Golf Course at College Street Park in conjunction with School District & Torben Larson;
 - e) *Accept Personnel Committee Recommendation to grant Wayne Fischer request to carry over 2010 vacation to 2011 to facilitate his retirement in 2011, subject to Memorandum of Understanding with IBEW;
 - f) *Accept Personnel Committee Recommendation to Renew Two-year Contract with Northern Lakes Mechanical Services for building inspection at an hourly rate of \$50;**Motion (Gabriel/Basgall) to approve a through f. Passed.**
8. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**
 - a) Amendment to Section 74-302(6) of City of Spooner Code of Ordinances, speed limit on Rocky Ridge Road;
Not as much traffic since School has moved & Township of Evergreen agrees. Change to 35 from 25
Motion (Basgall/Stelter) to approve the ordinance 74-302(6) of the City of Spooner Code of Ordinances. Passed.
 - b) Negotiations between WPPA Police Union Local 208 & City;
Marx discussed details. 1.5 % increase each half a year through 2013. Lower floor to 85 hours for over time. Ask Council to allow Personnel Committee to make final decisions & negotiations. Committee consists of 5 of 8 council members, so council is well represented.
Motion (Dohm/Everroad) to empower Personnel committee to make decisions on negotiations. Passed.
 - c) Discussion and Action on full-time vacancy in Police Department due to resignation of Michael Carroll;
Just to inform council.
 - d) Discussion and Action on request from Ryan Schlapper to carry over 2010 vacation into 2011;
Marx explained that Schlapper reached his 6th year with Utilities. It was discovered in middle of November he had 28 hours.
Motion (Mortier/Basgall) to allow carry over for Ryan Schlapper from 2010 to 2011. Passed.
 - e) Centennial Celebration;
Everroad discussed arrangements. 75 people have already reserved tables. Hopes to raise \$10,000 for the Band Shelter in new park.
 - f) Recommendation to establish Railroad Park Development Board;
A Railroad Park Development Board will be established to begin the work for new Park. 6 appointed members at large, not just within corporate boundaries of City, along with the City Administrator (who will also chair committee). Board will be compensated.
Motion (Mortier/Dohm) to approve creation of Railroad Park Development Board. Passed.
Motion (Mortier/Dohm) to approve paying Railroad Park Development Board. Passed Roll Call Vote Passed
9. **STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:**
 - a) Financial Report October;
Motion (Schluter/Dohm) to approve financial report for October 2010. Passed.
 - b) Chief's Report - incidents during November 2010;
Mortier (as a hunter safety trainer) noted there were no gun related deaths in this years hunting season. Officer Carroll has taken another position elsewhere. He will be missed, he is a good officer. Accidents down a bit. Quite a few domestic calls. Break in at Nick's Restaurant. K2 is synthetic marijuana, is spreading & is dangerous. Many areas are creating an ordinance regarding K2 as a controlled substance. Increase in emergency room activities because of new product. Kohler will provide City with a proposed ordinance. 781 calls and contacts – has slowed down.
 - c) BID Report;
Nothing to report at this time.
10. **Adjournment;**
Motion (Gabriel/Mortier) to adjourn. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

ATTEST: