

**Village of Spencerville
Council Meeting Minutes
April 6, 2015**

The Spencerville Village Council met in regular session on Monday, April 6, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers with Mayor John P. Johnson presiding. Mayor Johnson led the pledge of allegiance. Responding to roll call was Mike Bice, Greg Leidy, John Miller, Phil Briggs, John Medaugh and Greg Hover.

Also in attendance were Police Chief Darin Cook and Clerk/Treasurer Dawn Bailey. Arriving later in the meeting was Village Administrator Sean Chapman.

P. Briggs moved to approve the minutes of the March 16th meeting and J. Miller seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

J. Miller moved to accept the March financials from the Clerk/Treasurer and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances/Resolutions

Ordinance #15-06 Amending and Adopting the Village of Spencerville Water System Rules

G. Hover moved to place #15-06 on its second reading and G. Leidy seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #15-07 Authorize Designation of Depositories for Active and Interim Funds of the Village of Spencerville

J. Miller moved to place #15-07 on its first reading and G. Hover seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Resolution #15-08 Authorizing the City of St. Mary's to File an Application to the State of Ohio and to Participate in the Local Government Innovation Fund Program

G. Hover moved to place #15-08 on its first reading and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Mayor Johnson told Council that the deadline for this canal corridor project was pushed back and explained that the Village's share would be \$4,000 to be paid in 2016. The engineering for the project is pro-bono, courtesy of Poggemeyer Design Group. There will be a representative in attendance at the April 20th Council meeting to discuss the project. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

G. Leidy moved to pay bills in the amount of \$18287.60 and J. Miller seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Mayor Johnson issued a reminder that with spring brings rain and wind storms and asked that residents adhere to placing their garbage out only the night before pick up and remove the containers when garbage has been picked up by the contractor.

Also a reminder that dumpsters located at businesses are not for public use and charges could be brought against any offenders.

New Business

The Citizen of the Year banquet honoring Paula Schumm is April 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the High School cafetorium. Tickets can be purchased at local banks and the Canal Pharmacy.

Police Report

Chief Cook reported that Sgt. Miller completed his Firearms Instruction and received his certification, therefore qualifying him for \$1.00/hr. increase in wages per the license policy for the police department. An ordinance will be presented to Council for consideration at the April 20th Council meeting.

Also reported was that part-time officer Eric Van Wagner has accepted a full-time position with Ottawa police department; his final day with the Village was April 5th. Chief Cook has placed an ad for part-time officers in The Lima News and local paper.

Administrator's Report

Adm. Chapman presented a written report which was also discussed as follows.

A reminder about pre-season pool pass sale at the utilities office at 524 N. Broadway on:

Thursday, April 23 rd	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 25 th	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday May 7 th	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday May 9 th	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday May 21 st	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Several water main line breaks were repaired and leak detection was called to find a leak in the S. Elizabeth Street area when complaints of low water pressure were reported.

The tree maintenance program has been completed.

A reminder that income surveys will be sent to all or most Village residents to determine if we meet the low to moderate income levels. This survey will aid the Village in eligibility for various state and federal grants.

Chapman does not plan to apply for the 2015 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) in hopes that we will be eligible next year for the 4th Street culvert project.

Alloway Environmental Testing is offering a drinking water seminar on April 29th in Lima at a cost of \$39.00; Chapman will be attending.

An additional 26 radio read water meter units were installed with the goal being to eventually have the entire system be radio reads. This would prevent estimating water bills due to snow cover. The units are around \$150 each and we have 135 installed to date. Chapman also pointed out that the existing water meters are reaching their useful life of 20 years.

Chapman and an Allen County Engineer rep inspected streets eligible for county permissive funds and the plans are to perform crack patching and various asphalt patch work across town. Due to rising costs of asphalt, crack patching is a cheaper alternative. Funds available through the county permissive program are approximately \$23,000 and we have budgeted another \$25,000 for road work.

There are plans to perform routine spring maintenance repairs as weather permits including yard repairs, durapatching potholes, and sweeping and striping of the Village's streets.

The "Walk or Bike to School" event is Wednesday, May 6th and is on the national website. Chapman plans to have banners made for the event.

A letter to ODOT has been submitted requesting closure of SR66 for the Summerfest.

At the Old Acadia Park a portion of the fence on diamond #4 and the entire fence on diamond #6 is being replaced; this project was included in the 2015 budget.

A new hydraulic pump was ordered for the press at the wastewater treatment plant at a cost of \$950.00.

To combat the problem with the screens at the WWTP Chapman said they have been feeding acetic acid in the concentrate stream at the WTP. This appears to be helping but they will continue to look for any alternatives that may work.

Chapman will be attending a wastewater workshop in Columbus on April 7th and 8th.

Committee Reports

There were no reports given or meetings scheduled. It was noted that the 2013/2014 audit by the State was completed. Also noted was that the Buildings/Grounds/Recreation meeting scheduled at the previous Council meeting was cancelled and not rescheduled.

Other

Mayor Johnson reported he was informed of a pipeline awareness seminar on May 7th at 5:30 p.m. at the Civic Center; Council members were invited.

The next Planning Commission meeting is April 7th at 6:30 p.m. in Council chambers.

The Mayor and John Medaugh attended the annual meeting of the CIC on March 23rd and told Council that State Representative Bob Cupp was there to discuss the proposed tax budget.

Phil Briggs said he had three calls regarding the dumpster at the Shell station sitting in the public right of way; Chief Cook to follow up.

Mayor Johnson told Council he has plans to remove saplings along the canal corridor either April 18th or 25th, depending on the weather, and asked for interested volunteers to contact him. Stephanie Groves, of Delphos Herald, said she could have the information placed in the paper.

ODNR and Mayor Johnson have been in contact regarding a possible aeration system for the canal; ODNR has agreed to purchase the system if the Village will cover the costs of electricity. The Mayor told Council the system would help with the appearance of the canal in the downtown area.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
John P. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dawn R. Bailey, Clerk/Treasurer