

**Village of Spencerville
Council Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2016**

The Spencerville Village Council met in regular session on Monday, February 1, 2016, in Council Chambers with Mayor John P. Johnson presiding. To begin the meeting Mayor Johnson led the pledge of allegiance. Responding to roll call was Lori Och, Greg Leidy, John Miller, Phil Briggs and Greg Hover. Absent was John Medaugh. Also in attendance were Village Attorney Jason Flower, Village Administrator Sean Chapman, Police Chief Darin Cook and Clerk/Treasurer Dawn Bailey.

J. Miller moved to approve the minutes of the January 18th meeting and G. Leidy seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

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

Ordinances/Resolutions

Ordinance #16-02 Property Maintenance Assessments for Calendar Year 2015

G. Leidy moved to pass #16-02 on its third reading and G. Hover seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #16-04 To Establish Wages and Salaries for Employees of the Village of Spencerville

J. Miller moved to place #16-04 on its second reading and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #16-08 Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the Village of Spencerville

J. Miller moved to suspend the rules and pass #16-08 on its first reading and G. Leidy seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance #16-09 Amending and Adopting the Fee Schedule

G. Leidy moved to place #16-09 on its first reading and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

J. Miller moved to pay bills in the amount of \$20343.64 and P. Briggs seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Mayor Johnson updated Council on information regarding Apex Energy and the proposed wind farm/transmission lines project. Apex Energy, a West Virginia based company, has opened a local office in Ohio City. They will be holding an open house on Feb. 17th from 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. at the new office and information will be available and questions may be answered regarding the proposed project. Scott Hawkin is the local project manager and Sara Mosier will be manning the new office.

G. Hover brought up the Go Green property again (old Trim Trends property) and said he continues to hear complaints about the condition of the property. Mayor Johnson reiterated that it is within zoning guidelines.

Police Report

Chief Cook told Council that Vehicle 603 is in need of a new drive shaft; work will be covered by a warranty. The department has gotten a new computer for the secretary's office. There are new state training mandates that the Chief would like his officers to have completed by April. John Iten, full-time officer hired in September, has turned in his resignation to work at another department. The Chief expressed his frustration with losing another officer after the Village has paid for uniforms, and an OP & F required physical, among other costs associated with hiring.

Administrator's Report

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

Chapman was approached by volunteers for "Lots for Soldiers, Inc." which is a 501(c) 3 organization that works with communities and property owners to build homes for veterans. The group is similar is Habitat for Humanity and would be willing to work with them on projects.

The SRTS (Safe Routes to School) executed contract and payment were sent to ODOT; the deadline is Feb. 12th. The project will begin after Summerfest.

We received an invoice and grant agreement between the Ohio Development Services Agency and the City of St. Mary's for the Local Government Innovation Fund grant. This grant will be used for economic development and tourism plan along the canal corridor with us, Fort Loramie, Minister, New Bremen, and St. Mary's being involved. Our matching funds were \$4,000; total overall match is \$20,000, which was divided among the participants. The start-up meeting is Tuesday, February 16th in St. Mary's. The Mayor and/or Chapman will attend.

The water quality report for 2015 will be mailed with the water bills the first week of February. There were no violations for 2015, although the OEPA requires that we list all contaminants found in our drinking water; none were about the maximum level allowed.

WWTP operator Bill Becker replaced the hydraulic cylinder for the screening press; this saved labor costs for the Village. The cost of parts was about \$2500.00.

Well rehabilitations for #1 and #2 wells will begin in mid-February; this project was included in the 2016 budget.

The Village will receive a \$1500 reimbursement grant from the Johnny Appleseed Cooperative Park Improvement Grant program; this grant will be used to help purchase a new chemical controller for the pool.

Adm. Chapman asked Council to deem the following items as surplus to be placed on the GovDeals auction site: Stow 1 ton asphalt roller, 3 point hitch post hole auger, 3 point hitch 4' wide drag box blade, air scour blower, and 3 point hitch 5' wide cultivating disc. J. Miller moved to allow the no longer needed items to be placed on GovDeals and G. Leidy seconded the motion. Roll was called; motion passed unanimously.

The road closure requests from the Summerfest committee have been sent to ODOT.

Committee Reports

Mayor Johnson asked Lori Och, our new council member, to serve on the Safety/Streets and the Buildings, Grounds, Recreation committees for 2016; she agreed to do so.

There were no reports given; no meetings scheduled.

Other

A Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 2nd at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

The CIC is planning and preparing for a membership meeting which is scheduled for Monday, March 28th at 6:00 p.m. Tentative venue is the high school choir room.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

John P. Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dawn R. Bailey, Clerk/Treasurer

