

Spicer City Council
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday June 5, 2018
5:30 p.m.

Mayor Baker called the regular Spicer City Council meeting to order Tuesday June 5, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. Council members present: Troy Block, Robin deCathelineau, Jesse Gislason, and Shelly Munyon. Also present: City Administrator/EDA Director Leslie Valiant; Public Works Superintendent, Dan Haats; and Finance Officer, Chris Johnson.

Roll Call was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: None

Shelly Munyon motioned to approve the consent agenda; Troy Block seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- A. Approve Council Minutes – May 15, 2018
- B. Payment of Bills \$117,841.37
- C. Spicer Commercial Club 4th of July Permit Requests
- D. Outdoor Public Address Permit – O'Neil's

New Business:

Council reviewed a temporary liquor license application from Joni Hahn-Lamphere for a family reunion at Pirrotta Park on July 21st. ***Troy Block motioned to approve the temporary liquor license, Jesse Gislason seconded. Motion passed unanimously.***

Old Business:

Administrator Valiant stated that she has not been able to reach Jim Hoeft regarding the Intellistreets so there is no update.

Administrator Valiant provided an update on the Highway 23 Coalition. The bonding bill has passed and work is scheduled to begin in 2022.

Public Works Report:

PW Superintendent Haats updated the council on the following:

1. The concrete was poured today for the dock.
2. Gary Bridge started work Monday; he will be helping with landscaping part-time.
3. Highway 23 grass. The chemical company sent out the wrong product, it was weed killer instead of fertilizer. The company will be paying all costs associated with repairing the grass. Van Ort services put about 30,000 gallons of water on it and reseeded.
4. Reviewed B & J Electric quotes for several projects:
 1. Highway 23 – CO Rd 10, Biggs 3 50A Outlets - \$1,719.
 2. DNR boat ramp, photo eyes, 3 poles - \$480.
 3. DNR boat ramp, bore and hook up existing 2 - 50A outlets - \$2,579.
 4. Optional DNR boat ramp: Add 200A panel and 3 - 50A outlets, rebuild existing service to 400A 1ph service - \$6,416
 5. Move Warning Siren Panel to from County's building to Fire Hall - \$4,163.

The outlets located south of the DNR boat ramp exist didn't get hooked up at the time the project was done. Option 3 is to hook it up as it was; and option 4 would add a 200A panel and additional outlets. Administrator Valiant stated that the mini donut vendor has indicated that they would be willing to contribute to the outlet project at the flea market area. **Troy Block motioned to approve options 1, 2, 4 and 5, Shelly Munyon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

City Engineer, Randy Sabart updated the Council on the Lake Avenue North project. The storm sewer has been replaced in front of Green Lake Nursery. The outside edges of the street will be milled starting next week to prep for the overlay. There is also an area by the Nursery that will be completely taken out and replaced.

Elizabeth Christianson contacted SEH, regarding the slope of her mother's driveway; the slope is too steep. She says that the driveways on either side are flatter and she would like her mother's driveway to be flatter. Elizabeth claims that there was damage to a vehicle; when asked to bring the vehicle over for a test drive over the driveway; she stated they no longer have the vehicle. Randy stated that this driveway is not unique there are multiple other driveways with the same slope. This could be repaired by removing the driveway and reconstructing with a lower slope with a likely cost to be \$2000 - \$3000 if the work is done while the contractor is in town. Mayor Baker questioned how many more driveways were like this one. Randy stated that he didn't have an exact count; but noted that the majority were like this driveway. Randy stated that he would need direction from the Council by tomorrow because the contractor will be in town. Council indicated that they would like to look at it before making a decision but at this time all agreed that the driveway stays as is. Jesse and Troy will look at driveway and email Leslie if they think it needs to be replaced. (6/6/2018 Leslie received email from Jesse and Troy that the driveway will be fine when the final lift is on the road) Mayor Baker stated that he has a difficult time approving a new driveway when there are others that have the same percentage of slope. Council agreed to leave as constructed.

As requested by the Council, Randy Sabart presented preliminary costs for infrastructure improvements to Manitoba and 4th Avenue because of one resident is having continuous sewer backup issues. The street was resurfaced in 1996 but the infrastructure was not completely done at that time. The sewer lines on both streets is the original clay tile. There were root intrusion problems and problems with individual services at that time but the Council only ordered the scope of work to include some spot repairs on the building services, replace the water main and street.

Now a property owner on 4th Avenue is having continuous issues and after reviewing the televising of the sewer system there are others that have root intrusion and it will likely be only a matter of time until they have issues. Randy stated that the street's age would normally just call for a mill and overlay. In order to replace the sanitary sewer and water main on 4th and the sanitary sewer on Manitoba it would be a much larger project. The estimate for 4th is \$882,765 and Manitoba is \$790,835.

The alternative is that the homeowner with issues replace his service line. The homeowner is currently connected to neighbor's sewer line. The neighbor doesn't have any issues because he doesn't have a basement and the house sits about 3' higher than the neighbor having issues. Randy estimates the cost to separate the service and repair the road to be \$10,000 to \$15,000. Mayor Baker stated that he would rather just take care of the one service than bonding for the entire project and assess the homeowner. Randy stated that this would be the homeowner's expense and if the City were to pay it would be setting a

precedence, assessing would be an option. Mayor Baker suggested having a meeting with the homeowner to discuss the options; include PW Superintendent Haats, Administrator Valiant, City Engineer Randy Sabart and a Council member who is on the street committee. **Troy Block motioned to have a meeting as Mayor Baker has suggested, Shelly Munyon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.** Randy suggested getting a quote from a local contractor prior to the meeting.

City Engineer, Randy Sabart reviewed the concept and estimate for the 32 acres the Latham family offered to the City for a residential development. The subdivision will likely require an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) because of the number of lots and Woodcock Lake is a natural environmental lake. The layout that SEH designed is consistent with what has been done on Woodcock Drive, Nakota and Lakeview Ridge development. There are 2 lots that are wetlands and would be best left for stormwater management leaving 30 buildable lots. There would be a couple of options for placement of the lift station. The land has a lot of relief; lots of ups and downs. Development will be a challenge compared to Lakeview Ridge. Each site will need to be graded individually because of the wooded area. The estimate from SEH to develop the land is \$2,894,000. Administrator Valiant reminded Council that the purchase price needs to be discussed in a closed meeting. **Jesse Gislason motioned to table the discussion and place the closed meeting on the next agenda, Shelly Munyon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

Administrator/ EDA Director's Report:

Administrator Valiant nothing additional to discuss.

Other:

Mayor Baker discussed the resident that is blocking the alley on 4th Avenue. Administrator Valiant stated that she has drafted a letter and is sending it to the City Attorney for review.

The next Council Meeting will be Tuesday, June 19th at 5:30 p m.

Troy Block motioned to adjourn the regular council meeting at 6:52 p.m., Jesse Gislason seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:


Leslie M. Valiant, City Administrator