## City of Spencer Regular Council Meeting April 25, 2024

Mayor Farmer called the regular council meeting to order. Roll call was taken with the following alderman present Darrell Nance, Drew Campbell, Jody Hensley, Jerry Blankenship, and David Chandler. Also present at the meeting was City Attorney Ed Boring, Police Chief Scott Garing, Patrolman Hickman, City Clerk Tabitha Robinson, Wastewater Operator Tim Ross, City Recorder Crystal Crain, Zeda Hillis representing James C. Hailey, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Corley representing WCUD, along with several citizens. This was followed by a prayer and the pledge. Mayor Famer asked for approval of the previous minutes as written, Vice Mayor Campbell made the motion to approve. This was seconded by Alderman Hensley; all were in favor and the minutes were approved. Mr. Helmer commented he purchased a grinder two years ago, and he is not ready for the grinder to be installed. Mayor Farmer informed Mr. Helmer Spencer Utility is in the process of merging with WCUD and Spencer Utility is needing to clean up accounts by June 1, 2024. The choices are for the grinder to be installed or funds will need to be refunded to customers. Mr. Helmer he will be refunded all the funds paid if not ready by June 1, 2024. Mr. Tamez asked for a no littering sign and a speed limit sign to be put up on Andrew K. Parker Rd. He was also concerned about the access to the City Lake after WCUD took over. Mayor Farmer said she would contact Randy Oakes for the signs. She also said she would pass the information on about the lake to WCUD. Mayor Farmer moved on to the agenda.

## **Old Business:**

## **New Business:**

ITEM #1: Hansel Moore, Building Permit Fees. The Spencer Planning Commission met on April 11, 2024 and recommend to waive the building fees associated with the housing project VITAL. Alderman Chandler made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Blankenship.

Roll Call was as followed: Alderman Hensley- Yes Alderman Nance- Yes Vice Mayor Campbell- Yes Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

ITEM #2: Donation for Imagination Library. Mayor Farmer recommended a \$200 donation this year and then a \$200 donation be put into the budget every year afterwards. Alderman Chandler turned this recommendation into a motion and this was seconded by Vice Mayor Campbell.

Roll Call was as followed: Alderman Hensley- Yes Alderman Nance- Yes Vice Mayor Campbell- Yes Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

ITEM #3: First Reading of Budget Amendment #10, Increase Collection System. Vice Mayor Campbell made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Nance.

Roll Call was as followed: Alderman Hensley- Yes Alderman Nance- Yes Vice Mayor Campbell- Yes Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

ITEM #4: Executive Session, Mayor Farmer took the meeting into an executive session.

The meeting was brought back into regular session.

ITEM #5: First Reading of WCUD Contract, Ordinance 2024-1. Alderman Chandler made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Hensley.

Roll Call was as followed: Alderman Hensley- Yes Alderman Nance- Yes Vice Mayor Campbell- Yes Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

With no other business to discuss Alderman Blankenship made the motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Alderman Hensley; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

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