

**City of Spencer
Regular Council Meeting
August 28, 2025**

Mayor Farmer called the regular council meeting to order. Roll call was taken, with the following alderman present: Darrell Nance, Drew Campbell, Jody Hensley and David Chandler. Also in attendance were City Attorney Ed Boring, Police Chief Scott Garing, Officer Michael Hickman, Codes Official Chad Moffitt, City Recorder Crystal Crain, Court Clerk Tabitha Robinson. This was followed by a prayer and the pledge. Mayor Farmer requested approval of the previous regular council meeting minutes as written. Alderman Chandler made the motion to approve the minutes as written, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Campbell. All were in favor and the minutes were approved. Mayor Farmer opened the floor for citizen comments; however, there were none at this time.

Old Business:

New Business:

ITEM #1: Deacon Weeks to Address the Board Regarding Complaint. Mr. Weeks. Mr. Weeks read the letter he had submitted as his written complaint. Complaints included building permits, property taxes, and water quality. Mayor Farmer asked, what action the board would like to take. The board declined to make a motion.

ITEM #2: Leo Sochocki to Address the Board Regarding Hometown Heros. Mr. Sochocki gave all the Alderman his business cards and passed around the awards he plans on giving out at the Hometown Heros event. He asked the Alderman to personally donate to the event, and funds will go into the pantry account. The event will also be giving a scholarship away to a deserving senior who will be going into a first responder field. He is expecting five hundred people to be in attendance. He will have awards for the volunteer fire departments, EMS, police, and utility. No action taken was taken by the board.

ITEM #3: Discussion of City Park Vandalism Situation. Mayor Farmer explained the person responsible for the vandalism has admitted guilt and will be handled through the court system. Mayor Farmer just wanted to make sure the board is aware and to be thinking. Alderman Chandler asked if it possible to get CCTV for internal use with a possible seven-day loop since the park doesn't have internet. No action taken by board.

ITEM #4: First Reading of Ordinance 2025-4, Budget Amendment #1 FY 2025-2026, Add Tourism Marketing Grant to FY 2025-2026 Budget. Contract was received and signed on August 19, 2025. The grant amount is \$6300 and the match will be \$1890 for a total amount of \$8190. Alderman Chandler made the motion to approve budget amendment #1. This was seconded by Vice Mayor Campbell.

Roll call was as followed:

Alderman Hensley: Yes Alderman Nance: Yes Vice Mayor Campbell: Yes

Alderman Blankenship: Absent Alderman Chandler: Yes

The motion passed.

ITEM #5: First Reading of Ordinance 2025-5, Rezone 319 Feed Store Rd from R-1 low density residential district to C-2 general business district. Ms. Myers is asked for this property to be rezoned for a beauty shop. This was approved by the Planning Commission on August 14, 2025. 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: Absent Alderman Chandler: Yes

The motion passed.

ITEM #6: First Reading of Ordinance 2025-6, Vacate a portion of Clendenon Ave lying between 407 Church St. and 409 Church St. from the city street list. This was approved by the planning committee on August 14, 2025. Alderman Hensley made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Chandler. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

Item #7: Resolution 2025-1, Alderman Blankenship. Alderman Blankenship turned in his letter of resignation. Alderman Chandler made the motion to accept Alderman Blankenship's letter of resignation. This was seconded by Alderman Hensley.

Roll call was as followed:

Alderman Hensley: Yes

Alderman Nance: Yes

Vice Mayor Campbell: Yes

Alderman Blankenship: Absent

Alderman Chandler: Yes

The motion passed.

ITEM # 8: Executive Session with Attorney Boring. Mayor Farmer took the meeting into executive session.

Mayor Farmer brought the meeting back into regular session.

Without any other business to discuss Vice Mayor Campbell made the motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Alderman Chandler; all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.



Mayor



Recorder