City of Spencer Public Hearing June 27,2024

Mayor Farmer called the public hearing to order, the purpose of the public hearing is to discuss three (3) items. The first public hearing is second and final reading of budget amendment #11, increase ARP water infrastructure. Without any questions or comments the public hearing was closed. The second public hearing is to discuss the second and final reading of FY 2024-2025, ordinance 2024-2 FY 2024-2025 Operating Budget. Without any question or comments the public hearing was closed. The third public hearing is to discuss second and final reading of budget amendment #12, increase water plant operations. Without any question or comments the public hearing was closed. Mayor Farmer moved on to the regular council meeting.

City of Spencer Regular Council Meeting June 27, 2024

Mayor Farmer called the regular council meeting to order. Roll call was taken with the following alderman present Darrell Nance, Jody Hensley, Jerry Blankenship, and David Chandler. Also present at the meeting was City Attorney Ed Boring, Police Chief Scott Garing, City Clerk Tabitha Robinson, City Recorder Crystal Crain, Zeda Hillis representing James C. Hailey, Anthony Pelham 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, Alderman Blankenship made the motion to approve. This was seconded by Alderman Chandler; all were in favor and the minutes were approved. There were not any citizen comments. Mayor Farmer moved on to the agenda.

## **Old Business:**

Mayor Farmer updated the board that we didn't receive the grant for the playground equipment.

## **New Business:**

ITEM #1: Second and final reading of Budget Amendment #11, increase ARP Water infrastructure. Alderman Hensley 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- Absent Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

ITEM #2: Second and final reading of FY 2024-2025 Operating Budget, Ordinance 2024-2. This only includes general, street, and drug. The utility budget will be submitted with WCUD at this time. Alderman Chandler 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- Absent Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

ITEM # 3: Second and final reading of budget amendment #12, increase water plant operations. Alderman Blankenship made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Chandler.

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

ITEM #4: Mayor Farmer recommend Kenny Delon for the Planning Commission. Mr. Delon will take over Mr. Hollingsworth's position with his sudden passing. Alderman Blankenship made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Hensley. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

ITEM #5: Renewal of Air Med Care Membership. This will remain the same cost as the previous year at \$6561. 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- Absent Alderman Blankenship- Yes Alderman Chandler- Yes The motion passed.

ITEM #6: Resolution 2024-3, Continuation of current Budget for interim period. Alderman Chandler made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Blankenship. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

ITEM #7: Resolution 2024-4, Interim Operations of Water and Wastewater systems. This is a broad policy for if something that comes up that Spencer does not have a policy for, we can use WCUD's policy. Alderman Blankenship made the motion to approve and this was seconded by Alderman Chandler. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

Mayor Farmer Update: Filters were purchased during our last meeting and within the next week all filters failed.

WCUD Update: Filters were delivered on June 7th and were installed on June 8th. Mr. Pelham was made aware of a water quality situation on June 12th, after a staff meeting held on June 13th; staff immediately got to work. Staff continues to work on improving

water quality with adjusting chemicals at the plant and continuing to flush. Aggressively flushing will continue for the next 3-4 weeks. Mr. Pelham has been working with the Mr. Corley preparing packet for the TBOUR meeting July 18<sup>th,</sup> 2024 and working on changing WCUD charter. Mr. Pelham mention a request authorization to negotiate a settlement agreeable to both parties. Alderman Chandler made the motion to give Mr. Pelham and Mayor Farmer permission to negotiate with customer with an outstanding bill to come to agreement to both parties. This was seconded by Alderman Blankenship. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

James C. Hailey Update: JCH are expecting bids for the zone meters due July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 for the Infrastructure planning grant. Mrs. Hillis may request to schedule a called meeting when bids are available. The Piney Pump station is moving right along and currently awaiting approval.

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

Mayor Carmer