

# May 2021

Vision Statement: "The Good Neighbor City" where quality of Life is available to all!

Mission Statement: To promote the existing peaceful atmosphere while providing quality services to our community through public awareness, public safety, communication and beautification, utilizing economic development as a means to enhance a positive future.



## **City Events**

#### Planning Commission

Meets the first Thursday each month at 6:00 PM via Zoom, City Hall, or the Senior Center.

### City Council

Meets the third Thursday each month at 7:00 PM via Zoom or in City Hall.

## Economic Development Committee

Meets as needed.

(Call City Hall for the current month's meeting locations.)

### **News from Around Town**

#### Code Enforcement

Takisha Jacobs has successfully completed 16 CEU hours of International Property Maintenance Code and 24 CEU hours of Code Enforcement Certification.

#### Animal Control

Edward Hayes has successfully completed 16 hours of certification standards of The Oklahoma Animal Control Association.

#### Firefighters Appreciation Month

Take some time this month to thank a firefighter for their dedication and hard work.

#### Police Awareness Month

Our police department under Chief Thurman has made significant improvements in personnel, equipment, and public relations.

## **Community Events**

### Spencer Historical Society

Meets the first Tuesday each month at 7:00 PM at the Spencer Museum, 50th St and Palmer Rd.

Contact: Mary Hammon @ 405-771-4472

#### Spencer Chamber of Commerce

Meets the second Monday each month at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center behind the Fire Station on 36th St.

(Location may vary. This month they meet at the Spencer United Methodist Church.)

## **Updates to the City Website**

We've added a link to the Municode site from our city website at www.cityofspencerok.gov.

Municode publishes our codes and ordinances. Their site includes a table of contents where you can page through our ordinances as well as a powerful search feature to find specific topics. For a direct link, go to

https://library.municode.com/ok/spencer/codes/code\_of\_ordinances.

Recently passed ordinances can be found under **Ordinances Not Yet Codified**. From the city site, you can access
Municode from our **Code Enforcement** and **City Council**pages.

The city has also added two new forms:

- Code Enforcement Request
- Building Permit Application

We are working to make the website your one-stop shop for most things Spencer. Check it out today!

## Mayor's Corner...

There are many communities that have let their COVID-19 ordinances expire. Our resolution is still in effect until July 31<sup>st</sup>. It does not mandate wearing a mask, it just suggests wearing one. I encourage everyone to remain focused on the safety of yourselves and your family as it pertains to the virus and use the necessary safety measures for you. God bless you and your family and have a safe Memorial Day weekend.

Frank Calvin – Councilmember At-Large

## **City Manager Insights...**

As you all know, the city is in the process of water meter transitions. I ask that you please be patient with our Utility Billing Department for the next 60 days as we train staff, adjust accounts and import new files.

Shamia Jackson – City Manager

## City Engineer Updates...

Our smart meter program and other projects are underway. Look for updates soon.

## Special Event...

The City will host an **Ice Cream Social** for the Roscoe Dunjee Senior Center on Friday, May 14, 2021 @ 1:30 PM. The event is a partnership with Mary Mahoney and OCCHD.

## From the Vice Mayor...

We are now posting council meeting recordings on YouTube and on our city website. Go to the calendar on www.cityofspencerok.gov and click the meeting event or date. The calendar events include a copy of the agenda.

Thank you to Brenda Mendoza, President – Spencer Chamber of Commerce, for her work running the camera. Together we are making council meetings more accessible to all.

Jim Scanlan - Councilmember Ward 4

# Spencer Forward!

The best is yet to come.



Our newsletter took a break over the last few months. Going forward, we plan to continue the newsletter each month as we have done in the past.

We hope you like this new look and format.

Cecilia Taft – City Clerk