

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
March 19, 2015

MEMBERS

Alderman Budd
Alderman Vota
Alderman Burtle
Mayor Brotherton

ALSO PRESENT

Alderman Dorchinecz
Alderman Heberling
Alderman Koonce
Alderman Walters
City Attorney Romano
Liquor License Holders (see attached)

Rocky Moore
Andy Lasswell
George Calvert
Myrna Hauser
City Clerk Peabody

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chairman Jones

Alderman Burtle called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Amendments to Liquor License Ordinance

City Attorney Romano presented a revision of Sections 3-3-1, 3-3-4, and 3-3-5 of the City Code regarding liquor licenses. Mayor Brotherton stated that the liquor license for restaurants with gaming machines are being abused not only in Taylorville but statewide. The City is trying to undo what's been done, as is the State. The City does not want to run anybody out of business but they must comply with the law. The Committee, other Aldermen in the audience, and many liquor license holders discussed the proposed revisions and suggestions for additional changes.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to make further revisions to the Liquor Code as may be directed by the Chairman or by the Acting Ordinance Committee Chairman. Motion carried 3-0.

Revision to Ordinance #2544 Regarding Cable TV Franchises/Cable Service Provider Fee Ordinance/Ordinance Establishing Standards for Construction of Facilities on Right-of-Ways

City Attorney Romano presented drafts of two Ordinances that the Illinois Municipal League recommended passage of in 2007 but the City never did. He is recommending the City pass them now and update Ordinance #2544 from 1995 regarding Cable TV Franchises to bring it up to today's technology.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to draft the following three ordinances for consideration for adoption by the City Council at the next City Council Meeting: Amend Cable TV Ordinance No. 2544, Cable Service Provider Fee, and Establishing Standards for Construction of Facilities on Rights-of-Way. Motion carried 3-0.

Amendment to City Code (8-5-4 I 2 (d) Regarding Sewer Fees

The City Council recently denied setting up payment plans for two individuals who had sewer repairs completed on their property but the City paid for upfront. City Attorney Romano presented a draft ordinance amending the City Code to address reimbursement from individuals to the City when the City has paid for the sewer repairs upfront.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to adopt the Ordinance as presented by the City Attorney to amend Section 8-5-4 I 2 (d) regarding liability of property owner for building sewer repairs. Motion carried 3-0.

HBO Updates

The City Attorney presented language to amend Section 4-4-13A of the City Code regarding neglected property; and stated he would prepare an Ordinance to amend Section 4-4-13A of the City Code for the City Council to consider at its April 6th City Council meeting and asked the Mayor to place this on the Agenda for the April 6th City Council meeting.

HBO Officer George Calvert presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Charleston Agreement

The City Attorney advised that the City and Charleston have agreed on the latest revision to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement regarding billing for the ambulance services. The City Attorney requested the Mayor to place on the April 6th City Council Agenda the adoption of a Resolution approving said revised Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement.

MABAS Agreement

The City Attorney reported that Fire Chief Crews is obtaining numbers to fill in the blanks on the MABAS Agreement and this will be on the next City Council or Committee agenda when ready.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.
The meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Shawn Burtle, Acting Chairman