

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

March 15, 2012

MEMBERS

Chairman Jones
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Vota
Alderman Lawrence
Mayor Brotherton

ALSO PRESENT

George Calvert
Alderman Walters
Alderman Koonce
Brian Hile
Cindy Dey
Jenny Stevens
Steve Millings
Terri France

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Mach I-Alcohol Serving Training

Deputy Police Chief Brian Hile introduced Ms. Jenny Stevens with Meyer Oil Company/Mach I. Ms. Stevens presented information pertaining to Mach I's specific alcohol training program and policies that Mach I has in place to focus on educating their employees to be responsible sellers of tobacco and alcohol products at all of their locations. Every employee of Mach I must complete and pass before they are allowed to touch a cash register.

The City of Taylorville recently passed a BASSETT Training Ordinance that provides certified instructors to offer education and training on serving alcohol and proper identification of underage individuals and she is inquiring if Mach I's alcohol training program and policies would qualify with the City's requirements under the BASSETT Training Ordinance. The Committee will continue discussions at the next Ordinance Committee Meeting.

Site Plans

The Committee continued discussions pertaining to Site Plans which are required for one (1) acre or more on any additions to that property (excluding residential zoned areas). The Committee directed HBO Officer George Calvert to contact the City Engineer to research any exceptions allowing for a permit to be issued without a Site Plan.

Annexations-Route 104

Chairman Jones explained that the City Attorney researched annexation issues related to what has been termed "hole in the doughnut" territories that the City might consider annexing. There are seven (7) properties along Route 104 that currently fall within the term "hole in the doughnut." State Statutes 65 ILCS 5/7-1-13 provides that in the event that a tract of property is 60 acres or less and wholly bounded by one or more municipalities, the municipality can simply annex the property by passing an Ordinance and giving the property owners prior notice of when the Ordinance would be addressed.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Lawrence to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to simply prepare an Ordinance annexing the seven (7) properties along Route 104 which are contiguous to the City Limits according to 65 ILCS 5/7-1-13. Motion carried 4-0.

FY 2012/2013 HBO Budget

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to forward the FY 2012/2013 HBO Budget to the Finance Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

HBO Updates

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

Any Other Matters

Mr. Steve Milling addressed the Committee regarding an issue with a Building Permit. A Building Permit was issued for a 2800 sq. ft. ranch house that was rebuilt due to a fire that destroyed a 2400 sq. ft. two story house. He questioned why he was charged for a 2800 sq. ft. house when he was replacing the house due to a fire. Chairman Jones offered a compromise that stated since the two story house would have a 1200 sq. ft. foundation, and that the difference between the 2800 sq. ft. ranch and the 1200 sq. ft. foundation be the appropriate charge for the Building Permit; therefore the Committee agreed to refund the cost of 1200 sq. ft. of the Building Permit Fee. The motion will be placed on the March 19, 2012 City Council Agenda.

Chairman Jones explained that the garbage trucks are destroying the alleys in the City and he will begin discussions pertaining to bidding the garbage pickup for the whole City either by Ward and/or entire City with the garbage haulers.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 P.M.

Bruce Jones, Chairman
Ordinance Committee