

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

August 15, 2013

MEMBERS

Chairman Jones
Alderman Budd
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Vota
Mayor Brotherton

ALSO PRESENT

George Calvert
Alan Jackson
Dave Herpstreith
Alderman Walters
Alderman Dorchinecz

Alderman Koonce
Attorney Romano
Gary McNeely
Mike Gianasi
Kristine Bucher
Cindy Dey

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

Insurance Liability/Hold Harmless & Indemnity Requirements for Special Events and/or Use of City Property

Attorney Romano presented a draft amendment to Title 8 of the Taylorville City Code pertaining to Insurance Liability/Hold Harmless and Indemnity requirements for Special Events. Mr. Gary McNeely, with KMRM informed the Committee that most entities, clubs, organizations will have general liability insurance and the City should request a Certificate of Insurance. In most cases it will not cost the sponsored group additional money to add the City of Taylorville as additional insured. He also informed the Committee that there are different stages of risk and it is up to the City to determine what stage of risk they want to take.

City Attorney Romano will make several changes to the draft amendment and bring to the Ordinance Committee for their review.

Changes to City's Municipal Code Regarding the Following Violations:

Attorney Romano presented to the Committee amendments to the City's Municipal Code regarding Disorderly House, Solicitations, Public Intoxication, and requirements of annexations of properties adjacent to City property and split zoning.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend Section 5-4-4-8 of the City Municipal Code pertaining to Disorderly House with the appropriate changes as discussed. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend Section 4-12-1 and 2 of the City Municipal Code pertaining to Solicitations with the appropriate changes as discussed. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend Section 5-4-5-3 of the City Municipal Code pertaining to Public Intoxication with the appropriate changes as discussed. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend Section 11-2-3 of the City Municipal Code pertaining to Annexations of properties adjacent to City property and Split Zoning as discussed and to set a Public Hearing. Motion carried 4-0.

Light Agriculture in R-1/Multi-Use Concerning Special Use

The Committee reviewed and discussed Light Agriculture Uses in R-1 as presented by the City Attorney and Multi-Use concerning Special Use. It was the consensus of the Committee not to allow multi uses in a Special Use.

Attorney Romano will incorporate the Committee's suggestions pertaining to the definitions of light agriculture and the possibility of allowing certain crops to be planted with a majority vote of neighbors. The City Attorney will prepare a new draft of Light Agriculture/Special Use and bring back to the Committee for review.

Vacant House Ordinance

Attorney Romano briefly explained the Village of Northfield case and the nuisance statute that provides the City with sufficient authority as a non-home rule municipality to create an ordinance to better address vacant buildings within the City. He will prepare a draft ordinance and present to the Committee for their review.

Mowing & Lien Bill/18 Elm Tree Court

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to release the Lien on property located at 18 Elm Tree Court. Motion carried 4-0.

HBO Updates

Mr. George Calvert, Health and Building Officer updated the Committee and presented pictures of violations and property cleanups.

Any Other Matters

The Committee is requesting the City Attorney update them on the status of the old ordinance violations and possible collections at the August 19, 2013 City Council Meeting.

Alderman Dorchinecz requested the status of Sewer Tapping Fees under City Streets. Mr. Dorchinecz was advised that at the last Ordinance Committee Meeting the majority of the Aldermen present were not in favor of changing the current policy.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 P.M.

Bruce Jones, Chairman
Ordinance Committee