

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

January 16, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Lanzotti
Mayor Barry

ALSO PRESENT

Alderman Olive Attached List
Superintendent Mann
HBO Calvert
Clerk Lilly
Owen Lasswell

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

Use of Restricted Vehicles – UTV Vehicles

A discussion was held regarding the use of UTV vehicles on the streets of Taylorville. Chairman Bryant presented an Ordinance from the Village of Stonington regarding the Operation of Off Road Utility Vehicle on City Roadways. The Ordinance lists that each vehicle must have a bed size of at least 11 cubic feet and the ability to dump the bed. This requirement reduces the maximum speed of these vehicles to 50 mph. Regulations regarding equipment, permits, and permissible roadways would mirror those in place for Golf Carts. The County is considering a similar Ordinance, as other communities such as Stonington, Nokomis, and Kincaid allow these vehicles. Aldermen Budd and Burtle are strictly opposed to UTV vehicles but noted that they will vote in Committee to send the issue to the full City Council for a vote. They are concerned that having begun with LSV's and progressing to Golf Carts that it will not stop with UTV's and will lead to requests for four wheelers and dirt bikes.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code to allow the operation of UTV's in the City of Taylorville with the same requirements and restrictions per the Golf Cart Ordinance. The motion carried (4-0).

Privacy Fences

HBO Goodall expressed his concern over the use of pallet fences in the City, stating that there have been no permits issued for them. Permits are required for permanent fencing, and list only minimum requirements. He does not feel that pallet fences qualify due to safety concerns. There currently is no Ordinance specific to fencing. HBO believes one should be in place; he will research other communities regarding requirements and bring the information to the February Ordinance Committee Meeting.

Applications for Boat Docks and Ski Lifts

Lake Chairman Dorchinecz has expressed a concern regarding the implementation of a more formal process for applications for Boat Docks and Ski Lifts, to include a written application. Past practice allows a home owner with lake front property to construct a boat dock or ski lift only after presenting formal drawings to the Lake Superintendent, then presenting to the Lake Committee for approval, with final approval is granted by the City Council. As this process has been sufficient, the Committee did not feel a need to modify it at this time.

Liquor License Classifications

Mayor Barry would like to remove some of the classifications/requirements for liquor license holders and simplify the Class A and Class C categories. It has been previously passed to increase the fee for all categories who have gaming, with the exception of Fraternal Organizations and Clubs, to \$3,000.00. Moving forward, the Mayor/Liquor Commissioner would like to see a Class A-no gaming and a Class A-with gaming, as well as a Class C-no gaming and a Class C-with gaming. This change would remove the

percentage of sales for food for the restaurants (Class C). He would like to remove installment pay for liquor license holders and require the entire yearly fee be paid in full at time of renewal.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the City Code to modify Class A and Class C Liquor Licenses to include a gaming option at a rate of \$3,000.00 and to require all license holders to pay all fees in full at the time of renewal. The motion carried (4-0).

HBO Updates

The HBO Report was presented to the Committee of property violations, demos, and clean-ups.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. The motion carried (4-0).

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee