January 17, 2019

MEMBERSALSO PRESENTChairman JonesAlderman OliveAlderman WaltersOwen LasswellAlderman BuddBillie HeberlingAlderman LanzottiMegan BryantMayor BarryCindy Dey

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

#### Taxi Cabs

Chairman Jones stated that there is no information available at this time.

# Banner and Sign Regulations for Video Gaming

The City passed an Ordinance on October 1, 2018 prohibiting any signage, banners, any device or structure of any kind advertising Video Gaming on City property, City right-of-way City boulevard or on any City street, roadway or alleyway that advertises, displays, or indicates the presence or availability of video gaming.

Chairman Jones informed the Committee that an establishment is advertising video gaming with numerous large banners on private property that looks over whelming. The Committee agreed that they would like for the City Attorney to review the legality of advertising video gaming on private property.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Walters to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to research the legality of prohibiting banners used by video gaming establishments to advertise on private property and if not allowed to limit one banner per establishment and all other video gaming signage to be confined to an area 18" X 24" on or in a building itself. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **HBO** Updates

Chairman Jones presented the HBO Report to the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Health and Building Officer is waiving all fees pertaining to building, demolition or repairs for all damage caused by the December 1, 2018 Tornado. A motion will be placed on the January 22, 2019 City Council Agenda.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Bruce Jones, Chairman Ordinance Committee

February 21, 2019

**MEMBERS** 

Acting Chairman Walters Alderman Budd Alderman Lanzotti Mayor Barry ALSO PRESENT

Alderman Olive
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Dorchinecz
Owen Lasswell

Billie Heberling Carol Endsley Cindy Dey

Acting Chairman Walters called the meeting to order at 7:55 P.M.

# Banner and Sign Regulations for Video Gaming

The Committee reviewed the draft Ordinance regarding advertising video gaming as prepared by the City Attorney.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to approve the draft Ordinance as prepared by the City Attorney restricting video gaming advertising banners, signage, etc. on or about the exterior and interior of the licensed premises with corrections to page 3 number 2 & 3 deleting the word square. Motion carried 3-0.

## **HBO** Updates

Acting Chairman Walters presented the HBO Report to the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

Earl Walters, Acting Chairman Ordinance Committee

March 20, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Acting Chairman Walters

Alderman Olive

Alderman Budd

Alderman Burtle

Carol Endsley

Alderman Lanzotti

Asst Chief Childers

Debbie Wells

Mayor Barry

HBO Calvert

Megan Bryant

Clerk Lilly

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

# Ordinance re: Administrative Fee and/or Impound Fee

Discussion was held regarding the fee charged in regards to towed vehicles impounded. This administrative fee is charged for vehicles towed as a result of a criminal violation only. The fee is paid to the Police Department and the City Clerk's Office. Once paid, the violator is given paperwork to present to the towing company to facilitate the release of their vehicle. Currently the fee is \$25.00. Assistant Chief Childers is suggesting the City raise this fee to \$100.00 to stay more in line with other communities. This is directly tied to State Statute 625 ILCS 5/11-208.8 et al.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to charge an Administrative Fee and/or Impound Fee in the amount of \$100.00 in addition to towing and storage costs of impounded vehicles for certain statutory violations as set forth in 625 ILCS 5/11-208.7 *et al.* Motion carried (3-0).

#### Special Use for Mobile Home Park in R-2 District

HBO Calvert was approached by the owner of the Taylorville Valley View Mobile Home Park regarding the retail sale of mobile homes within the park. He noted that the only way to provide such service would be to issue a Special Use, as the property is zoned R-2, or to have the property re-zoned to Commercial. This property is near other homes and neighborhoods so Special Use is the suggested option. The Special Use, if granted, is only good for the current owner and would cease should the property be sold. The next step is a Public Hearing before the Plan Commission.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the Zoning Code to provide for a Special Use for a Mobile Home Park in an R-2 Zoning District to permit the sale of mobile homes on site. Motion carried (3-0).

#### FY 2019/2020 HBO Budget

HBO Calvert presented the FY 2019/2020 Budget for review. Mr. Calvert has removed Film from his budget and transferred that amount to the telephone expense line item, keeping his overall budget amount the same as the FY 2018/2019.

Motion by Alderman and seconded by Alderman to recommend to the City Council to forward the FY 2019/2020 HBO Budget to the Finance Committee for review. Motion carried 3-0.

# **HBO** Updates

Acting Chairman Walters presented the HBO Report to the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to adjourn. Motion carried (3-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 P.M.

Earl Walters, Acting Chairman Ordinance Committee

May 15, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Bryant Alderman Driskell HBO Calvert
Alderman Budd Alderman Olive See attached list

Alderman Lanzotti Alderman Dorchinecz

Alderman Burtle Clerk Lilly Mayor Barry Owen Lasswell

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

## Morton Street to Yield to Vine

The Committee noted that this had been discussed in previous meetings and there was some confusion as to whether this Ordinance had been created or just discussed at the Committee level. They did feel it was necessary to move forward with the placement of this Yield Sign.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance to amend the City Code to place a Yield Sign on Morton Street to Vine Street. The motion carried (4-0).

# "No Parking" Ordinance

Chairman Bryant noted that Ordinance No. 3892 was recently passed through the City Council to prohibit parking on the South side of the 400 block of West Poplar Street. It was initiated at the request of Mr. Pat Kretzer who had recently purchased a home in this block and had concerns with the parking on the street. This Ordinance has met with opposition from the residents of that block who feel they should be allowed to continue to park on the South side of the street. Many of the residents were present to discuss their concerns. Homes on that side do not have front driveways, and only have alley access to their garages in the rear of their home. Many of them have more than one car and are forced to park on the street. One resident on the North side of the street stated that he cannot get into or out of his drive when the neighbors are parked close to his drive, due to his large vehicle. It was determined that there is a previous Ordinance that was enacted to state that a vehicle cannot block a driveway. This can be enforced at the request of a homeowner by the Police Department. Many of the residents have spoken with each other to rectify the parking issues. Mr. Kretzer agreed to request that the Ordinance be rescinded.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to rescind Ordinance 3892 amending section 6-4-3-1 of the Taylorville City Code. The motion carried (4-0).

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to forward Ordinance 2888 regarding section 6-3-7-9 of the Taylorville City Code to the City Attorney to clarify "at any place where the vehicle would block the use of the driveway" to make modifications with detailed specifications. The motion carried (4-0).

## **HBO** Updates

HBO Calvert presented the HBO Report to the Committee of property violations and clean-ups, along with an explanation of the process to remedy the issues. There are many homeowners who have been sent

letters regarding clean-up of property. The letters allow 72 hours following receipt of the letter for the owner to comply; if no response the paperwork is then sent to the City Attorney to handle. This process takes months to complete, but the City is actively pursuing these blighted properties.

He also addressed the large number of homes that will require yards to be mowed by the City. Many are abandoned or in foreclosure. This process involves a five day notice sent to the owner. It is then followed up with a one day notice if no action is taken. If the City then mows the property, a lien is placed each time the yard is mowed.

# **Any Other Matters**

Ms. Janis Baird presented the Committee with her request and information regarding building a container home on Bryant Street. She had damage to her home as a result of the December 1, 2018 tornado and was uninsured. She is interested in the container home as a more affordable option to home rebuilding. Chairman Bryant will put this item on the June agenda for discussion.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

June 20, 2019

MEMBERSALSO PRESENTChairman BryantAlderman DriskellAlderman BuddAlderman OliveAlderman LanzottiAlderman DorchineczAlderman BurtleAlderman SkultetyMayor BarryClerk Lilly

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 8:14 P.M.

## **Container Home**

This issue was tabled as there was no new information to present.

# Administrative Fee and/or Impound Fee Ordinance

This issue was tabled as the final draft of the Ordinance has not yet been received.

# Special Use for Mobile Home Park in an R-2 Zoning District Ordinance

This issue was tabled as the final draft of the Ordinance has not yet been received.

## **HBO** Updates

Chairman Bryant presented the report of HBO Calvert. Mayor Barry discussed further many of the houses and projects that are being planned. He also noted that many of the properties had sustained damage in the December 1, 2018 tornado and the City may be able to utilize money from the State of Illinois Grant to assist with payment of these projects.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE July 18, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman BryantAlderman DriskellCarol EndsleyAlderman BuddAlderman SkultetyMartin VotaAlderman BurtleTreasurer NationPatty Hornbuckle

Alderman Lanzotti Cindy Dey

Mayor Barry

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

## Alcoholic Liquor Hours for Sunday Sales

The Committee discussed changing the hours of Sunday Sales. Currently the hours for the sale of alcoholic liquor are from twelve o'clock (12:00) noon to twelve o'clock (12:00) midnight on Sunday for all liquor licenses. A request has been made to allow the sale of liquor on Sundays to be extended.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Chairman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend Section 3-3-10 of the Taylorville City Code to modify the hours for the sale of alcoholic liquor on Sundays from six o'clock (6:00) A.M. to twelve o'clock(12:00) A.M. for Class B and Class F(grocery and convenience stores and golf courses) and to amend Section 3-3-5 (Sunday Sales) to increase the fee to \$300.00 annually for the extended Sunday Sale Hours. Motion carried 3-1.

# **Drive-up Facilities Prohibited**

The Committee interprets the City Code 3-3-13D as no alcoholic liquors can be sold, dispensed, delivered, or given to any person or persons through or by use of a "drive-up" facility located in, on or about the premises where the sale or delivery of alcoholic liquor is otherwise permitted under the licensee's license. There was some concern that no drive-up facilities were allowed.

#### **HBO** Updates

Mayor Barry presented the HBO Report to the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Christian County will be taking bids on property at 1017 West Adams on August 16, 2017. The Mayor explained that the City has been mowing this property for several years and has placed multiple liens on the property. Mayor Barry will allow the Health and Building Officer to submit a minimum bid on property located at 1017 West Adams.

## **Any Other Matters**

Alderman Budd would like to discuss amending the Building Code for the City to require roof replacements to have snow, ice and water shields put in the valley of roofs. This will be placed on the next Ordinance Committee Meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE August 15, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman BryantAlderman OliveCarol EndsleyAlderman BuddAlderman SkultetyOwen LasswellAlderman BurtleTreasurer NationDwayne WheelerAlderman LanzottiBart BialasVince Childers

Mayor Barry Cindy Dey

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

#### Squad Car Policy

The Committee, Chief Wheeler and Deputy Chief Childers discussed the guidelines, restrictions and eligibility criteria for the use of assigned vehicles for the Taylorville Police Department.

#### **UTV** Vehicles

Chairman Bryant has been contacted by several constituents regarding the use of restricted UTV vehicles. The use of UTV vehicles in the City of Taylorville will be tabled until more information is available.

# Alcoholic Liquor Hours for Sunday Sales

The Committee reviewed the proposed Ordinance regarding the modification of hours for the sale of alcoholic liquor on Sunday.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to approve the proposed Ordinance as prepared by the City Attorney to modify the hours for the sale of alcoholic liquor on Sundays from six o'clock (6:00) A.M. to twelve o'clock(12:00) A.M. for Class B and Class F(grocery and convenience stores and golf courses) and to amend Section 3-3-5 (Sunday Sales) to increase the fee to \$300.00 annually for the extended Sunday Sale Hours. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **Video Gaming Terminals**

The Illinois Gaming Board, as of to date, has not formally approved increasing the number of licensed video gaming terminals permitted to be operated in each licensed establishment.

## City Building Code Requirements for Roof Replacements

It was the consensus of the Committee not to require roof replacements to have snow, ice, and water barriers put in place as it is a personal choice. Building Officer Calvert explained that the International Building Code already addresses this issue.

# **Taylorville Lake Waiting Lists**

Lake Superintendent, Bart Bialas is requesting that the available Boat Dock, Lake Lot, and Campground sites waiting lists be posted the same dates.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Budd to direct the City Attorney to amend the Taylorville City Code to post the June 1 through June 30 available waiting lists for Boat Docks, Lake Lots, and Campground sites. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **HBO** Updates

Mr. George Calvert, Health and Building Officer presented the HBO Report to the Committee of property violations, demos, and cleanups.

# **Any Other Matters**

The Committee discussed the proposed Ordinance regarding imposing a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax. Effective Jan 1, 2020 it will be legal to consume cannabis. The question is if the City will allow the sale of cannabis and, if so, will impose a Retailers' Occupation Tax. A motion to impose a Municipal Cannabis Retailers' Occupation Tax will be placed on the August 19, 2019 City Council Agenda.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE September 18, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Olive
Alderman Skultety
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Clive
Alderman Skultety
Alderman Skultety
Clerk Lilly
Alderman Carol Endsley
Clerk Lilly

Mayor Barry Clerk Liny
Owen Lasswell

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 8:10 P.M.

# 4 Way Stop Signs

Chairman Bryant briefly discussed the intersections of Long and Poplar, Taylorville Boulevard and Park, and Silver and Pauline. All intersections currently have 2 way stop signs in place. The consensus by committee members was that the 4 way stop signs are not necessary.

No action was taken on this item.

# Review of A-2 and C-2 Liquor/Gaming License Restriction

Discussion was held regarding the number of licenses available for A-2 and C-2 classification. Jim Lindsey is interested in opening another establishment(parlor). Currently there are three allowed per Ordinance. Mayor Barry will confirm the number that are taken and/or available and will discuss further. Mayor Barry would like to entertain an increase in all liquor/gaming licenses to a higher fee of \$3,000.00. This would include any and all classifications that allow gaming. He will discuss at a future meeting, prior to the renewal period in the Spring of 2020.

No action was taken on this item.

#### **HBO** Updates

The HBO Report was presented to the Committee of property violations, demos, and cleanups. Mayor Barry noted that the building located at 207 West Main Cross, located next to Rene's, is in much need of repair and possibly demolition. A letter has been sent to the owner, who lives in Alabama, to determine the next course of action.

#### Any Other Matters

Mayor Barry discussed a building located on East Main Cross, owned by Mr. Watchman, who has the property currently listed with Curvey Real Estate. There are 2 parcels, listed for \$40,000.00 each. Downtown Taylorville expressed an interest in providing funds for remodeling these properties. Mayor Barry will continue to explore the options.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE October 17, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Bryant Alderman Olive Alderman Driskell Alderman Budd Alderman Skultety Superintendent Mann HR Manager Blakeman Alderman Burtle **Treasurer Nation** Alderman Lanzotti Clerk Lilly **Treasurer Nation** Owen Lasswell Police Chief Wheeler Mayor Barry See Attached List

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

# No Parking Signs – 100 Block of Franklin Street

Menta Academy Cornerstone Taylorville School has requested No Parking signs to be placed in front of the building to restrict parking during school hours only. The American Legion has requested that the Menta Academy staff do not park in front of their building. Mike Beeler, with Menta Academy, noted that he will convey this to the staff.

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 for No Parking signs located in the first three parking spaces of the 100 block of West Franklin Street from 8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Monday – Friday. The motion carried (4-0).

#### Two Way Stop Sign – 800 Block of North Silver and Pauline

A petition has been circulated in the neighborhood of North Silver and Pauline to obtain a two way stop sign at the intersection of the 800 block of North Silver and Pauline streets. The residents are concerned for the safety of the children in the area due to high speed traffic.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code to allow a two way stop sign at the intersection of the 800 block of North Silver and Pauline streets. The motion carried (4-0).

# Non-Bargaining Ordinance – Vacation Time

Currently the Non-bargaining Ordinance in effect was created in 2008. It states that Non-bargaining employees do not receive vacation time until their first full year of service has been completed. They are eligible to accrue sick time at the rate of one day per completed month of employment, as well as earning 2 personal days and 12 paid holidays in their first year. Discussion was held with differing opinions and recommendations including prorated time based on quarters of the calendar year. Ultimately the Mayor approves management vacation time and could allow time off without pay prior to paid time earned. Union contracts will all begin negotiation in the near future and this change for management may have an impact on the negotiations. The Mayor will work with City Attorney Romano to prepare a new ordinance to address any changes for the November 4, 2019 City Council Meeting.

# Use of Restricted Vehicles – UTV Vehicles

A very lengthy discussion was held regarding the use of UTV vehicles on the streets of Taylorville. Proponents of the UTV's stated that they are safer than golf carts, with doors, roll cages, roofs, radial tires, and a higher speed that will keep up with the speed of cars. LSV's and golf carts do not have these features. Currently Battery Specialists Plus Golf Carts is responsible for issuing the permits and inspecting all golf carts driven on City streets. A similar procedure would be required for UTV's.

This subject will be discussed at the November Ordinance Committee Meeting following research regarding other community policies.

Amendment of City Code 10-5-6 Allowing 0 Setback on C-1/C-2 Building with Special Use Mr. Randy Mitchelson has recently purchased a building located at 205 East Main Cross. He is requesting to obtain a Special Use Permit to allow 0 Setback on the property/building. He has planned to divide the lot and building to allow for two separate parcels and business location and to request a Special Use from the Plan Commission.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to forward the request by Randy Mitchelson, owner of property located at 205 East Main Cross, to the Plan Commission for a Public Hearing to request a Special Use allowing 0 setback. The motion carried (4-0).

# <u>Demo – 215 East Park Street</u>

Alderman Budd has requested that the home located at 215 East Park be demolished by the owner or the City. It has been vacant for approximately 10 years. The owner continues to pay any liens for mowing but does not live on the property. The property is in disrepair.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve beginning the formal legal process for the demolition of 215 East Park Street. The motion carried (4-0).

# Sale of Recreational Use Cannabis

The Committee discussed the options of approving the sale of Recreational Use Cannabis within the City of Taylorville. The State will legalize Recreation Use Cannabis as of January 1, 2020. This will allow citizens to utilize this drug in their homes; it is not allowed in public places. Many citizens in the audience expressed concern regarding the sale of cannabis in the City. They felt it would convey a message to our youth that the utilization of drugs is acceptable; just because it is legal does not make it right for our community. There is currently no way to test the level of impairment. Those in attendance who are in support of this state the revenue to be made as the one of positive results; the revenue generated could be directed to the Lake Restoration Fund. Mayor Barry noted that there are different rates in place Statewide for the various product types, taxed above and beyond the local sales tax rate. The state is expected to receive \$50,000,000.00 in tax revenue; municipalities may expect up to 7% of this. It could potentially be 1-3 years before the City could receive a license for a dispensary as those communities with medical cannabis dispensaries will have priority.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to not allow the sale of recreational use cannabis in the City of Taylorville. The motion tied (2-2).

# <u>Increase in Fees for Liquor/Gaming Licenses</u>

Mayor Barry noted that he would like to see an increase in the fees for all liquor/gaming licenses available in the City. Currently, Gaming Parlors are the only classification paying \$3,000.00. As the City is Non-Home Rule, the maximum amount charged for individual gaming terminals is \$25.00. Mayor Barry proposed raising all classifications of liquor/gaming licenses to \$3,000.00, with the exception of clubs such as the American Legion, effective with the May 1, 2020 renewal.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to increase the fee for all liquor /gaming license holders to \$3,000.00 per year, with the exception of Clubs, effective with the May 1, 2020 renewal. The motion carried (4-0).

# Chickens and Ducks in City Limits

Ms. Amanda Duke who resides at 721West Main Cross is in possession of chickens and ducks. This is against the zoning regulations in the City and a neighbor has issued a complaint with the Health and Building Officer. She is requesting to be allowed to keep the chickens and ducks on her property. Her husband was in attendance to speak to the issue, noting that the chickens provide food and companionship for his family. He is willing to pay a nominal fee and support a registry with regulations. Chairman Bryant will research other communities regarding their regulations and will discuss at the November Ordinance Committee Meeting. Mayor Barry reminded the owners that they were sent a ten day notice on October 7, 2019, and per the current City Ordinance, the chickens and ducks must be removed at this time.

## **HBO** Updates

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

#### Any Other Matters

Mayor Barry has been contacted by various lake lot lease holders requesting a decision on the increase in lake lot lease fees for the 2020 season. Due to the lake closing on October 31, 2019, and the next Lake Committee Meeting not scheduled until after that date, Mayor Barry would like to vote on the proposed increase at the October 21, 2019 City Council Meeting. The increase will be transferred to the Lake Restoration Fund.

Mr. Kevin Eson expressed concern over the number of feral cats in the 900 block of North Silver and would like to see an Ordinance enforced to remove these cats.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE November 25, 2019

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Bryant Alderman Olive Alderman Driskell
Alderman Budd Alderman Skultety Superintendent Mann
Alderman Burtle Treasurer Nation City Attorney Romano
Alderman Lanzotti Clerk Lilly Police Chief Wheeler
Mayor Barry Owen Lasswell

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 6:48 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 expressed her proposal. She has spoken with Battery Specialists Plus Golf Carts, who currently inspect and provide permits for Golf Carts, and they have the ability to inspect and issue permits for the UTV's as well. They cannot add the accessories for these vehicles. Chairman Bryant would like to see the minimum age of drivers at 21, increase the fee to \$150.00 and limit the number of permits allowed to 10, along with all of the other restrictions as listed in the current Ordinance for Golf Carts. Aldermen Budd and Burtle are strictly opposed to UTV vehicles. Mayor Barry has not seen the interest from the community as was present for the golf carts; he would like to see them present for discussion as well as their plan for the vehicles.

This agenda item will be tabled for the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

# Chickens and Ducks in City Limits

Chairman Bryant expressed that she feels the Ordinance should remain as is; no chickens or ducks should be allowed in City Limits. No action was taken.

#### Taxi Cab Ordinance

Chairman Bryant addressed a proposed Ordinance prepared by City Attorney Romano regarding regulating and licensing of taxicab drivers. Based on conversations with Police Chief Wheeler and his recommendations, Alderman Driskell prepared a list of items that they would like to see added to this Ordinance including the following: a one time fee of \$100.00 for all taxi drivers, annual renewal fee of \$5.00 due on January 1 each year, no registered sex offenders, annual background check, license pulled upon violation by Mayor and/or TPD, and a fine for cab company/owner of \$500.00 per incident and driver of \$100.00 if in violation of requirements.

A lengthy discussion concerning the fees and requirements was held, with personnel from two taxi cab companies present to provide their feedback to the Committee. All felt that \$100.00 per driver was excessive but agreed that \$25.00 per driver per year, to include a background check, was acceptable. A fee of \$100.00 will be charged to the cab company per vehicle.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct City Attorney Romano to make the specified changes to the proposed Ordinance re: regulating and licensing of taxicab drivers. The motion carried (4-0).

#### **HBO** Updates

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

## **Any Other Matters**

City Attorney Romano stated that there have been changes in State Statute regarding the legalities involved with Alternative Nicotine products. The City Ordinance will need modifications, as will our procedure for ticketing underage citizens in possession. There can no longer be a ticket issued or prosecution for anyone under the age of 21in possession of Alternative Nicotine products under the new legislation. City Attorney will prepare the necessary changes to the City Ordinance for approval.

The Ordinance Violation collection procedure was discussed, with Chairman Bryant expressing an interest in transitioning this process to Credit Collection Partners. City Attorney Romano presented his legal opinion, flowchart and referenced the procedure outlined by State Statute. Cases can only be referred to collections once a Judgement has been ordered. The offender must appear in court three times in order to receive a bench warrant. Mayor Barry expressed an intent to issue State tickets/charges when possible. The majority of Ordinance Violation ticket holders fail to show up for court or pay their fines. Chief Wheeler has addressed this with the Officers, who are now able to arrest a violator if necessary as an option to issuing a standard ticket for Ordinance Violation.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 P.M.