

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

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

February 20, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Lanzotti
Mayor Barry

ABSENT

Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Alderman Olive Fire Chief Adermann
Superintendent Mann
HBO Goodall
Clerk Lilly
Owen Lasswell

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

Intergovernmental Agreement with Charleston

No action was taken on this item. The Agreement had been revised in 2018 to extend the expiration date with changes to April 30, 2021. It will be addressed in early 2021.

City Ordinance 3558 Review

Fire Chief Adermann presented proposed changes to Ordinance 3558, dated April 16, 2012, regarding the establishment of a municipal ambulance service. The rates should be modified to reflect changes in ambulance rates as they are outdated. He has spoken with Paula Dunn of Dunn's Ambulance Service who is in agreement with the changes. There is no change in the set mileage rate, only in the rates charged for ALS, BLS, and non-transport service calls for both residents and non-residents. The proposed rate changes are as follows:

ALS Calls: increase from \$700.00 to \$750.00 for residents and \$775.00 to \$825.00 for non residents
BLS Calls: increase from \$400.00 to \$500.00 for residents and \$400.00 to \$600.00 for non-residents
Non-transfer: remain \$75.00 for residents and increase from \$125.00 to \$150.00 for non-residents

There will also be an increase in the non-emergency standby service to any commercial enterprise from \$75.00 per hour to \$100.00 per hour.

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 modify ambulance rates and language as originally stated in Ordinance No. 3558 per the recommendations of Fire Chief Adermann. The motion carried (3-0).

Amend Section 4-9-3 of the Taylorville City Code

Fire Chief Adermann proposed changes to the City Code section 4-9-3 regarding Liquified Petroleum Gases, specifically Containers. This section should be modified to correct the requirements of one copy of the NFPA 58, 2020 edition to remain in the office of the Fire Chief. The City will purchase one complete copy of the book and workbook. Cost is approximately \$175.00.

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 City Code section 4-9-3 regarding Liquified Petroleum Gases as presented by Fire Chief Adermann. The motion carried (3-0).

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of one NFPA 58, 2020 edition, book and workbook, at a cost not to exceed \$200.00. The motion carried (3-0).

Privacy Fences

HBO Goodall distributed a list of potential definitions and provisions to be included on an Ordinance in relation to privacy fences. Concerns were raised regarding pallet type fences and various unacceptable fencing materials, with a suggestion made to require the fence to match the aesthetics of the neighborhood. A fence permit is required when constructing and installing a fence, as it is reported to the County Tax Assessor as an improvement, but not all residents are aware. HBO Goodall recommended a five times the cost of permit fee if fence is installed prior to issuance of a permit.

Chairman Bryant tasked all Committee members to bring suggestions to the March Ordinance Committee Meeting to move forward on the compilation of specific requirements for a Fence Ordinance.

HBO Updates

The HBO Report was presented to the Committee of property violations, demos, and clean-ups. HBO Goodall informed the Committee that he will be using a riding lawn mower from the Cemetery this summer for problem yards, along with a trailer for transport, and will store both at the Gagne Building when not in use. He has also purchased Ordination Violation door hangers to replace letters sent out to home owners committing violations. HE will keep a log of all hangers distributed.

Any Other Matters

None were discussed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

May 21, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Burtle(facetime)
Alderman Lanzotti
Mayor Barry

ALSO PRESENT

Alderman Olive
Clerk Lilly

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:43 P.M.

Ordinance Regarding Police Lieutenants and Sergeants

Police Chief Wheeler requested changes to the City Code regarding Lieutenants and Sergeants, specifically Sections 5-1-3 and 5-1-3-1. Per City Attorney Romano, some of the revisions were not made, per State Statute requirements. Chairman Bryant tabled any motions on this Ordinance pending more information from Chief Wheeler.

Privacy Fences

No new information to discuss.

Inspections of Downtown Buildings

Alderman Driskell requested this discussion item, but no information has been provided at this time.

Minimum Size Requirements for Homes

Alderman Burtle would like to see a minimum size requirement to dissuade developments such as low income housing. He would like to see an increase in the lot size requirements and size of home itself. This will be discussed in more detail at a future meeting.

HBO Updates

There was no HBO report presented.

Any Other Matters

Alderman Budd would like the City to address the corner of Cherokee and Pleasant Streets. This was cleaned two weeks ago, with assistance from the City, and it is in need of clean-up again. The Mayor has approached the owner of the home that burned on Park Street. The owner has asked the City to pay for the dumpsters and he would have it demolished. The Mayor has offered the City to tear down the structure and the owner to pay for dumpsters. The City can order the dumpsters at a cost of roughly \$200.00 per dumpster and the owner reimburses the City. The discussion resulted in the Mayor offering the owner to pay a flat fee of \$3,000.00; the City will demolish the home.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

June 17, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Lanzotti

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Clerk Lilly
HBO Goodall
Treasurer Nation
Alderman Olive
HR Manager Conrath
Kellie Hamell

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:14 P.M.

Changes to Non-Bargaining Ordinance

Various items in the Non-Bargaining Ordinance require changes. The Committee, along with input from Treasurer Nation and HR Manager Conrath, discussed updates. With the approval of Water Superintendent Speagle's increase, the cap for that position was updated to maximum of 170%. Police Chief and Deputy Chief hours for salary were now set at 2184 hours. The Police Lieutenant position was removed from the Non-Bargaining Ordinance as this position is now in the Police Union. Wage Schedules/Appendix were updated for Fire, Police, and AFSCME Unions per recent contract changes. Double time holiday pay for Non-bargaining employees was removed from the contract.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney and City Clerk to update the Non-bargaining Ordinance with changes as discussed and repeal Ordinance 3392. The motion carried (4-0).

Privacy Fences/Permit Requirements

HBO Goodall expressed concerns on the application requirements for Building and Fence Permits. He would like property owners locate property lines/pins prior to requesting a permit to ensure that a variance would not be needed. He also discussed requirements he would like to see added to the City Code regarding definitions and unacceptable fence materials to include wood pallets.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and second by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to add fence definitions and requirements to the Building Permit portion of the City Code. The motion carried (4-0).

No Trespassing Signs at Cemetery

The Cemetery gates will no longer be locked in the evenings or on the weekends. This is in part due to the expense of \$16,000.00 in overtime paid out for opening and closing of the gates on weekends and holidays. The Mayor would like to see No Trespassing signs placed all three entrances, two on Cherokee Street and one on Gandy. The Cemetery would be closed from 9:00 P.M. – 5:00 A.M. Police Chief Wheeler has been made aware of this and will ensure that the Cemetery is patrolled in the off hours. Alderman Burtle was asked if the Cemetery Perpetual Fund could pay for the signs; it can be used for equipment but he was unsure about signage.

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 City Code to place No Trespassing from 9:00 P.M. – 5:00 A.M. signs at the three entrances to the Cemetery. The motion carried (4-0).

204 East Main Cross Updates

The property owner at 204 East Main Cross has made his first payment to the City. Future payments will be made by bank draft until his debt is paid in full. The owner is currently working on the roof of the adjacent building.

HBO Update

HBO Goodall presented his monthly update which included 94 permits, 102 violations, 38 grass notices and mowing of 25 yards. It was noted that 404 East Park will be demolished soon with the owner being responsible for \$7,000 in cost to tear down, dumpster fees, haul away and backfill the site with dirt. Joe Cervi will do the demolition work and the City will haul away concrete and backfill. The current owner of 710 South Webster has agreed to make the necessary repairs to the building; the railroad is preparing to tear down 714 South Webster in the next month.

Any Other Matters

None were discussed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

July 16, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Lanzotti

ABSENT

Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Alderman Driskell
Treasurer Nation
Superintendent Mann
HR Manager Conrath
Clerk Lilly
Alderman Olive
Alderman Dorchinecz
HR Manager Conrath
Bill Jones
Owen Lasswell

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

828 West Vandever Street Driveway Request

A new home will be built at 828 West Vandever Street by the Taylorville High School Building Trades class. There has been a request to allow a driveway to be constructed to the home on Vandever Street, along with curbs and gutters.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to allow the driveway to be placed at 828 West Vandever Street. The motion carried (3-0).

Stop Sign – Fairview Trailer Park

A request has been received to install a Stop Sign at the corner of Fairview Street leading into Fairview Trailer Park due to many children in this area.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and second 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 for a Stop Sign at the corner of Fairview Street. The motion carried (2-1).

No Parking This Side of Street -Wilson to Hawley Streets

Due to drainage issues, the resident at 311 West Wilson has requested No Parking signs to be installed from his home to the curve at Hawley Street.

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 place No Parking This Side of Street signs from 311 West Wilson to the curve at the corner of Hawley Street signs. The motion carried (3-0).

Slow – Children at Play Signs – 3900 East Lakeshore Drive

Due to traffic and many children in the area, a request has been made for Slow- Children at Play signs to be placed on both sides of the road at 3900 East Lakeshore Drive.

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 City Code to place Slow-Children at Play signs on both side of the road at 3900 East Lakeshore Drive. The motion carried (3-0).

HBO Update

None presented.

Any Other Matters

None were presented.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

August 20, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
HBO Goodall
Clerk Lilly
Jason Lilly
Owen Lasswell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Dorchinecz
Robert Orr
Betty Orr

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

Fence Ordinance

HBO Goodall discussed the proposed Fence Ordinance. In Paragraph 3, he would like Erosion Fence added. Alderman Olive noted that he would like to see the option of a 2" x 10" plank added as an option for a wooden fence rather than just the one option of a 2" x 6". This would eliminate the need for a variance for that type of fence.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to forward the revision to the City Attorney for modification of the proposed Ordinance to include Erosion Fence and also to include a 2x10" plank as an option for a wood fence. The motion carried (4-0).

Metal Carports

HBO Goodall addressed the topic of metal carports located within the City. He presented a picture of one recently sold by Lilly Signs, located at the home of Ronald and Betty Orr. The carport is utilized for covering their large pontoon boat and is composed of 29 gauge steel on the roof, secured by an anchor kit. HBO Goodall stated that these structures are assessed and taxed by the County Assessor's office, as they are larger than 10x20' and considered outbuildings. If the City chooses to require a permit to install these structures, the permit fee would be an additional source of revenue. He suggested the permit fee match that of other accessory buildings, which is \$10/100 square feet. The permit list is forwarded to the Assessor's office for taxing.

Jason Lilly, owner of Lilly Signs, informed the Committee that he requires customers to purchase the anchor. He also directs them to the City to obtain a permit from the City prior to installation. He sells around ten structures per year and was not aware that they were frowned upon in the City. Each one sold does provide a source of sales tax revenue to the City.

Discussion was held regarding prior objections to carports in the City. Ones made of lesser grade metal are not allowed per Ordinance. Alderman Dorchinecz suggested that the specific intent for the structure should be included in the Ordinance to deter the use for general storage of junk or trash. Chairman Bryant tabled any action on this subject until more information and research has been obtained.

HBO Update

HBO Goodall has issued a total of 116 permits, along with 141 violation warning door hangers and 43 Grass notices. Demolition, to be paid by the home owner, will begin on 404 East Park. The Railroad is to demo 714 South Webster in the near future. Hathaway Homes and the Methodist Church may begin projects soon. Discussion was held regarding several properties just outside Manner's Park that are not currently located within City limits and possibly a hole-in-the-donut. More research will be done to determine the history of these properties.

Any Other Matters

Mayor Barry received a call from Wal Mart regarding the legality of selling packaged liquor through their app for Grocery Pick-up. Kroger is currently providing this service. The person picking up the order must be of the legal age of 21 and the driver's license or another form of id must be scanned to ensure this.

According to the Ordinance regarding liquor sales, this is not allowed in the City of Taylorville. Mayor Barry will discuss with Kroger to end this service.

Alderman Budd stated that approximately 12-15 Ordinance Violations have been forwarded to collections for payment.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

September 17, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Lanzotti

ABSENT

Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
HBO Goodall
Clerk Lilly
Superintendent Mann
Owen Lasswell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Dorchinecz
Chief Wheeler
Al Crist
Chief Adermann

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

Life Safety Code Update

Fire Chief Adermann discussed updates that have been made to the NFPA Life Safety Code. New editions should be purchased and maintained at the Fire Station. Most changes relate to the inspections and building codes. He noted that Section 9-2-1 of the City Code will need to be changed to reflect this.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to approve the purchase of the current edition of the NFPA Life Safety Code and direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to modify the City Code to reflect the update. The motion carried (3-0).

Liquor/Gaming License Request

Mr. Al Crist, owner of the Tangles Salon, has inquired with the Mayor regarding a liquor/gaming license to be available for the salon. If permitted, this would require a Class O license. The fee is \$3,000.00 per year, with an additional \$3,000.00 due initially along with \$50.00 background check. There is also a fee of \$25.00 per machine, payable each year, plus additional fees for Sunday or extended hours.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to approve a Class O liquor license for Tangles Salon, pending receipt of proper application and verification of the location of gaming area. The motion carried (2-1).

4-way Stop Signs – Oak/Snodgrass and Ash/Snodgrass

The Street and Sewer Committee has approved four-way stop signs to be installed at the intersection of Oak/Snodgrass and also at Ash/Snodgrass.

Motion to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code to place a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Oak/Snodgrass and Ash/Snodgrass. The motion carried (2-1).

Metal Carports

Discussion was held regarding the current verses a proposed procedure for metal carports. Currently the County is assessing buildings with a size of 10x20' and larger with taxes. Most carports would fall under this size, increasing the tax revenue to the City. HBO Goodall stressed that a building permit should be issued, similar to the format used for an outbuilding, as a way to monitor these structures. Discussion was held regarding the gauge of steel to be used, the requirement of anchors to hold the structure, and the specific use(for vehicles only) to be included in the new procedure and Ordinance. Alderman Dorchinecz would like to see this be handled on a case by case basis with input from the Plan Commission rather than a blanket Ordinance to follow to avoid improper carports being installed. Chairman Bryant will meet with HBO Goodall to determine specific language and requirements for a written Ordinance that will be brought back to the Committee for review.

Nuisance Homes

Police Chief Wheeler presented information on the current and proposed Nuisance Home policies. Currently Sections 5-4-4-8, 4-4-13-1, and 4-4-14 of the Taylorville City Code address Disorderly House, Neglected Property, and Notice to Abate, all with a penalty of \$500.00. The majority of the Nuisance Homes in Taylorville are landlord owned rental properties. In order to clean up the homes and neighborhoods, Chief Wheeler would like to see stiffer penalties in place for the landlords, holding them financially and legally accountable. The City is Non-Home Rule and there may be restrictions on what the City can charge to the landlords.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to draft a new Ordinance regarding the procedure to address Nuisance Homes through landlord accountability, fines, and legal and monetary penalties. The motion carried (3-0).

Sewer Tap Ordinance

Alderman Dorchinecz presented the history of the Sewer Tap Procedure and Ordinance. He felt the City should fix a broken tap at the City's expense while other Aldermen felt the homeowner should pay half of the expense, up to \$1,750.00. This became the adopted procedure. He would like to see the City fix all taps at the City's expense and labor at no cost to the homeowner, and utilize all Street and Sewer personnel to do this once they are cross trained. Mayor Barry prefers that the City provide the tap, and the homeowner pays to install it. Alderman Olive feels the entire procedure should be revised with the input of the Street and Sewer Superintendent, as problems extend to the pipes and tile, not just the tap. A sub-committee was discussed, consisting of Aldermen Dorchinecz and Olive, and Superintendent Mann, to address issues with the current procedures and prepare new guidelines to ensure fairness to the City and the citizens.

HBO Update

HBO Goodall has issued a total of 128 permits to date and stated that there is a potential for new building along the area of Route 29 and 104. Methodist Church has begun the bidding process for their addition to begin this fall; Hathaway Homes will not begin construction here until next year.

Any Other Matters

Mayor Barry said the City has had many inquiries to have trees cut down on boulevards. He was unsure if the costs should be paid by the individual Wards or out of the 5th Ward Fund. Alderman Olive expressed that the City should only cut down the trees if they cause a hazard such as a broken sidewalk. Mayor Barry also stated that someone has purchased 602 E. Park (formerly Ann's Flower Shop) and will be requesting to rezone to C-1. A relative of the owner of 701 Taylorville Boulevard contacted the Mayor to request that all liens be waived as she may be interesting in purchasing the property.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

ORDINANCE SUB COMMITTEE
October 2, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Jim Olive
Ernie Dorchinecz

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Alderman Budd
Superintendent Mann

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

Sewer Tap Repair Procedures

Alderman Dorchinecz opened discussion on sewer trunks and saddle taps and the need to update the current policies and procedures listed in the City Code. His recommendation is for the City to pay the full cost (100%) for issues/repairs located on City Property, with the work to be performed by the City employees. If the work cannot be completed by the City, Alderman Olive recommends that the City, specifically the Street and Sewer Superintendent, perform an inspection of the sewer line to determine what further work must be performed. At that time, if the City determines they are unable to provide any further repairs, the homeowner will then be required to hire a licensed plumber to provide services. The homeowner will then submit the proposed quote from the plumber to the City, prior to any work being completed. This quote will then be reviewed by the Street and Sewer Superintendent to determine the total amount of reimbursement that may be made. If approved, a notice will be sent to homeowner/resident.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to approve the recommendation of the Ordinance Sub Committee to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend Title 8 section 8-5-4 I. of the Taylorville City Code pertaining to sewer tap repairs.

Motion by Alderman Olive and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to adjourn. The motion carried (3-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

October 15, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd via facetime
Alderman Lanzotti

ABSENT

Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry	Alderman Olive
HBO Goodall	Derek Fleming
Clerk Lilly	Doug Brown
Superintendent Mann	Owen Lasswell
Treasurer Nation	

Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.

Review and Extend UTV Ordinance

Chairman Bryant noted that according to the current UTV Ordinance, permits for this year expired on October 1, 2020. All persons currently driving UTV's on City streets are not in compliance with the Ordinance. Chairman Bryant would like to modify the Ordinance as follows: permits valid from April 1 through March 31 of each year; remove restriction of sun down to sun up; remove the windshield as a requirement. Alderman Budd was adamantly against the removal of the windshield for safety reasons, citing that this is a requirement for cars, golf carts, and all other vehicles driven on streets. Discussion was also held on the price of the permits. Alderman Budd would like to see the price raised to \$200.00 if the UTV's are allowed to be driven 365 days a year, based upon the fact that golf cart permits are the same \$100.00 price for a full year but are only driven in good weather months. Derek Fleming, who owns UTV's, stated that he has permits in 3 different communities in the County and pays a maximum of \$25 in other villages. He feels the current rate of \$100.00 is excessive. Mayor Barry feels this price is fair. Chairman Bryant will address the size and material of the permit sticker with Route 29 Kustoms to include reflective materials and a larger permit number on the sticker itself. This will be more visible to the police department and to other drivers.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the UTV Ordinance to extend the timeframe to year-round and remove sun down to sun up, and to bring the Ordinance back to Committee for further review of cost prior to renewal period. The motion carried (3-0).

Metal Carports

This item has been discussed previously with no motions made for action.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Lanzotti to recommend to the City Council to draft an Ordinance to amend the City Code to include car port recommendations and restrictions as discussed at the September 17, 2020 Ordinance Committee Meeting. The motion carried (3-0).

Planting Trees on Boulevards

Due to the amount of damage done to sidewalks around the City, the Mayor would like to discourage and/or eliminate the planting of trees on all City boulevards. Superintendent Mann discussed the current City Code Section 8-2-2 which addresses specific requirements for tree planting and removal, and requires a City permit, with approval from the Tree Board, prior to any action being taken. He also requests that no trees be planted on the boulevards, as they interfere with utilities, sidewalks, roadways, etc. Discussion continued on how to inform the public of this and how it will be enforced moving forward.

HBO Update

HBO Goodall issued 1 commercial and 4 residential permits this month, and has had many animal control issues. Homes located at 711 South Florence and 1215 Melrose Lane will be demolished beginning next week.

Any Other Matters

Alderman Budd discussed the potential date for Hybrid Learning at both the Junior High and Senior High beginning in November. The Crossing Guards will need to be notified that they will return to work when the students are back in school.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Megan Bryant Chairman
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

December 17, 2020

MEMBERS

Chairman Bryant
Alderman Budd
Alderman Lanzotti

ABSENT

Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry
Clerk Lilly
Treasurer Lilly
Superintendent Mann
Kellie Hamell
Alderman Olive
Alderman Dorchinecz
Alderman Driskell
Owen Lasswell

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

Sewer Tap Ordinance

Following the recommendation at the November 2, 2020 City Council to return the Sewer Tap Ordinance back to the Street and Sewer Committee Committee, the item was sent to the Ordinance Committee as it had been previously discussed by the Ordinance Subcommittee. The Ordinance presented at that meeting reflected changes presented by the Ordinance Subcommittee; the Ordinance was tabled by a roll call vote of the Council due to questions and concerns by several Aldermen. Chairman Bryant submitted modified recommendations to all Aldermen regarding the replacement of wording in Title 8 of section 8-5-4 I of the Taylorville City Code. She requested these modifications be reviewed and adapted. Alderman Dorchinecz presented the history of the process or sewer tap/line repair and the reasoning behind the proposed changes. The current Ordinance has been in place since 2014 and allows the City to reimburse the home owner up to one half of \$3,500.00 in repairs to the service line and tap on the home/business owner's property. The most important concern by the Committee is that of a catastrophic sewer break and the burden it would put on the business or homeowner. The change to the policy would require the City to take more of an active step in repairing issues. It was noted that there is not sufficient staffing in the department to take on additional repair/replacement projects at this time, and the City is not financially able to take on two new full time staff to complete the work. The City is also not able to repair sewers more than 10' deep due to regulatory and safety standards and there are many in the City at this depth. A concern was also raised by the Street and Sewer Superintendent that not all sewers are the same and cannot be treated in a blanket policy; there are many sewers in the City that are running underneath large business buildings. These may be outside the scope of service that the City is able to provide. The question was raised as to who would bear the responsibility for these larger projects. In conclusion, Chairman Bryant requested a motion to forward the proposed modifications to Section 8-5-4 I. to the City Attorney for preparation of a revised Ordinance.

Motion by Alderman Lanzotti and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to modify City Code Title 8 of Section 8-5-4 I to include the proposed modifications as presented. The motion carried (2-1).

Any Other Matters

Superintendent Mann noted that the entire section should be updated, not just one section, and should include tap fees and excavation fees as those have also changed. Alderman Olive will add this to the Street and Sewer Committee for further review.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 P.M.


Megan Bryant, Chairman
Ordinance Committee

Sewer Tap Ordinance

As you may recall, the city council approved an ordinance change to amend Title 8 of section 8-5-4 I. of the Taylorville city code pertaining to sewer taps. The changes were that the city would be required to pay for repairs on city property (taps, saddles, etc.) with the homeowner responsible for any repairs on their property (sewer lines). The city attorney was directed to prepare an ordinance to amend Title 8 of section 8-5-4 I to reflect these changes. The city attorney made the recommended changes and presented the amended ordinance changes to the city council to vote on its approval. The city council discussed the ordinance wording and decided to table the motion to pass it and send it back to the ordinance committee for suggested wording changes to make it clearer. I have reviewed section 8-5-4 I and am suggesting that all of section 8-5-4 I be replaced with the following wording.

I. Liability of Property Owner:

1. All costs and expenses incident to the initial installation of the property owner's building service line and connection (tap on) of the property owner's service line to the city's public sewer system (trunk line) shall be borne and paid for by the property owner. Such initial installation and connection work shall be performed by an Illinois Licensed Plumber; and all such installation and connection work must be performed by an Illinois licensed plumber and approved to the satisfaction of the city street and sewer superintendent or his designee. The city shall provide the "saddle tap" for the connection (tap on) of the property owner's service line to the city's public sewer system (trunk line); and any "Y" tap must be separated from the city's public sewer system (trunk line).
2. The property owner shall be solely responsible and liable for the expenses, maintenance, repair and/or replacement of the property owner's building service line to the extent any such maintenance, repair and/or replacement work is located within the property owner's property boundary lines (excluding any city right of way or easement boundary lines). Such repair work shall be performed by an Illinois Licensed Plumber. Any maintenance, repair and/or replacement work that is done to the city's tap onto the city's trunk line must be done by the city workers or an Illinois Licensed Plumber and that any work completed on the tap must be inspected and approved to the satisfaction of the city street and sewer superintendent or his designee.
3. The city shall repair and/or replace such portion of the city's public sewer system (trunk line) and/or the sewer tap and/or such portion of the property owner's service line that is located within the city's right of way or easement. The city shall also repair such portion of the city's public sewer system (but not the property owner's service line) that is located within the property owner's boundary lines. The city's street and sewer superintendent or his delegate or his designee shall determine at his or her sole discretion the reasonableness and necessity and the nature and extent of any such repair or replacement work to protect and maintain and avoid any further damage to the city's public sewer system.