

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

March 17, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd  
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown  
Alderman Olive  
Alderman Driskell

Clerk Lilly  
Treasurer Miles  
Chief Adermann  
HBO Goodall  
Bill Sleeman

Superintendent Mann  
Vanessa Wiseman  
Brett Wiseman  
Don Wells

Chairman Skultety called the meeting to order at 7:38 P.M.

**LIQUOR/GAMING LICENSE/TERMINAL FEES**

Liquor licenses are set to renew in May, 2022. Due to a bill passed by the State Legislature, non-home rule municipalities can now increase the fees for gaming terminals from a maximum amount of \$25.00 per terminal up to a new maximum amount of \$250.00. Other communities have increased their terminal fees, but their liquor license fees are lower than those in Taylorville. Chairman Skultety expressed support of an increase; Alderman Bryant stated she would like to see a \$25.00 incremental increase over several years up to the \$250.00 maximum amount. Alderman Budd was supportive of \$150.00 per machine fee. Vanessa and Brett Wiseman, owners of Y'Zoe's, stated that initially gaming was to be approved for bars only, but has been allowed for everyone. They are local residents and property owners and feel as if by allowing parlors, they have hurt the locals who support the community. They have seen a 40% reduction in sales since pre-Covid and are still attempting to recoup the pandemic losses. By continuing to increase fees, the local small bars and businesses are at risk of closing. Don Wells, owner of the Olde Bowl, informed the Committee that previously the City Council had determined that there would be one license allowed per 400 people. With close to 50 licenses now in existence, it is clear this formula is not in use. He agreed that there are too many licenses and this hurts the local owners. The Committee discussed the need to re-evaluate the fee increase at a later date, and to explore the possibility of varying rates based on liquor license classification.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to table the increase of Gaming Terminal Fees at this time. The motion carried (4-0).

**DISCUSSION OF CANNABIS DISPENSARY**

Chairman Skultety informed the Committee that a developer, who has a recreational marijuana dispensary license for this region, has contacted the City Clerk and is potentially interested in opening a dispensary in Taylorville. He is recommending that the City Council move forward with the process of allowing a dispensary to operate within the City.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare the appropriate Ordinances to allow for a Recreational Marijuana Dispensary in the City of Taylorville. The motion carried (4-0).

**STOP SIGN - PAULINE AND POWERS INTERSECTION**

Alderman Wilson has received numerous calls regarding the dangerous intersection located at Pauline and Powers Streets in Kenton Addition. He would like to have a stop sign placed on the Southeast corner of this intersection.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code to allow for a stop sign to be placed on the Southeast corner of Pauline and Powers Streets. The motion carried (4-0).

### **PARKING ON CHEROKEE AND PLEASANT STREETS**

Alderman Budd is concerned with parking on Cherokee and Pleasant Streets near North School. There is not room for cars to turn off of Cherokee onto Pleasant Street when cars are parked on the South side of Pleasant. There is presently no parking allowed on the North side of Pleasant Street.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Budd to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to place No Parking signs on the South Side of Pleasant Street between Cherokee Street and Cottage Street. The motion carried (4-0).

### **LEAF BURNING**

Chairman Skultety stated that he had received a call from a concerned citizen regarding leaf/brush burning at the park. She was concerned for those with asthma or breathing issues, specifically related to Covid. There was no action taken on this item.

### **SALE OF SCBAs**

The Fire Department would like to sell thirty (30) used SCBAs; Chief Adermann believes the minimum price per unit should be \$200.00. He is uncertain if they will see in whole or if they will be purchased by multiple departments.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to allow the Fire Department to sell thirty(30) SCBAs at a per unit cost of no less than \$200.00. The motion carried (4-0).

### **HBO UPDATES**

HBO Goodall provided an update on animal control issues, as well as building permits. Hathaway Homes construction has begun; Shopko Optical has been issued a Certificate of Occupancy. GSI will be returning to the Plan Commission regarding the proposed Solar Facility once new parcel number is assigned and paperwork is complete.

### **ANY OTHER MATTERS**

Don Wells addressed the Committee regarding the Warranty Deed for West School Investments from June 3, 2020. He stated that the deed had not yet been recorded and requested that this be completed. Clerk Lilly will research and resolve the situation.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 P.M.

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Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

## ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

April 21, 2022

### MEMBERS

Alderman Bryant  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd

### ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Olive  
Alderman Brown  
Alderman Olive  
Clerk Lilly  
Treasurer Miles  
Chief Adermann  
HBO Goodall

Superintendent Mann  
Superintendent Brune  
Jerry Cocagne  
Taylor McManigell  
Betty Asmussen

### ABSENT

Chairman Skultety

Acting Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:17 P.M.

### CANNABIS ORDINANCE

After reviewing the draft Ordinance re: Special Use for Adult-Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization, various guidelines were suggested for implementation. Only one(1) Special Use Permit for an Adult-Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization shall be issued and in effect within the City at the same time. The Retail Facility shall not be located within 250 feet of nursery, preschool, primary or secondary school, day care center or home or residential home; shall not be located within 250 feet of property line of pre-existing property zoned for residential purposes; and shall have 75 % of floor area devoted to activities of retail facility. There will be NO on-site consumption allowed. The initial application fee shall be \$10,000.00 for each retail facility, to include the first year license. The license will be renewable for an annual fee of \$5,000.00.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to make the appropriate changes to the draft Ordinance re: Special Use for Adult-Use Cannabis Dispensing Organization and to set a Public Hearing with the Plan Commission. The motion carried (3-0).

### FY 2022/2023 HBO BUDGET

HBO Goodall presented his budget to the Committee. He is seeking to purchase a mower and trailer, at a cost of \$17,000.00, stating that this would be used to assist other departments in mowing certain areas in the City. Acting Chairman Bryant questioned whether this was a necessary expense or if the funds were available and requested Treasurer Miles confirm the availability of funds prior to completing this request.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council to forward the FY 2022/2023 HBO Budget to the Treasurer for further refinement. The motion carried (3-0).

### HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall provided an update on animal control issues, as well as building permits. He also discussed a home in Ward I, located on three acres, which has approximately 24 solar panels installed in the yard. This is not allowed per the City Code; there must be minimum tract of five acres for solar use and the permit process was not followed. There is no process or permit required for panels placed on a home or garage roof. Solar panels at Christian County FS were also addressed. HBO Goodall mentioned that he will be requesting to purchase a UTV for the Airport to be utilized to check the fence line and plans to have the necessary funds added to his Airport Budget for FY 2022/2023.

### ANY OTHER MATTERS

Jerry Cocagne, owner of Pillars event center, discussed his frustration with the liquor license procedures and requirements, specifically the need for the manager to live in City Limits, and the Basset training requirement. He stated that the training requires four hours per person, and he often has employees who work

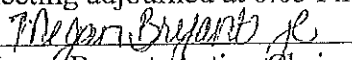
Taylor McManigell addressed the Committee regarding the Cannabis Dispensary and expressed his opposition. He had previously addressed the Committee and had provided research on the negative effects of legalized marijuana to a community. He also stated that the number of gaming establishments in Taylorville is extreme, and does not want to see this continue on to the Cannabis Dispensary. He is concerned for the youth of the community and the ever-increasing drug problem locally.

Betty Asmussen, Christian County Treasurer, was present seeking information on the City's plan to expend ARPA funds. Fire Chief Adermann stated that approximately 72 employees would be receiving a retention bonus in the amount of \$3,000.00 in June. She stated that the County discussed offering a similar bonus, but in the amount of \$2,250.00, based on information gathered from other Counties across the State. Per the Mayor, the other City ARPA funds would be used as Revenue Replacement and be earmarked for Police or Fire payroll.

Mayor Barry will be requesting that the Eagles Club liquor license fee be reduced to only \$50.00 for this year, due to the construction on East Main Cross and the closure of Bingo, both of which will negatively impact the Club's revenue. He will be placing this request on the May 2, 2022 City Council agenda.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

  
Megan Bryant, Acting Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

May 19, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd  
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown  
HBO Goodall

Clerk Lilly  
Treasurer Miles  
Chief Adermann  
Chief Wheeler

Superintendent Mann  
William Sleeman  
Deputy Chief Childers

Acting Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order at 8:26 P.M.

PAVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Due to a potential new subdivision, the City Engineer has been in the process of reviewing pavement requirements for residential streets as listed in the City Code. Currently there is a requirement for a base of rock, then either 4" or 5" of asphalt and 2" of bituminous. Mr. Sleeman has suggested a base of 8" rock with 4" asphalt, and will provide suggestions for requirements for various street types at the next meeting.

LIQUOR LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Following the recent license renewal, several concerns were raised regarding requirements for liquor licenses. Suggested changes include termination of license due to sale of business, license to remain valid upon sale by one co-owner to another, and owner and/or manager to live within Christian County limits rather than the corporate limits of the City of Taylorville. All items should be spelled out in the Code, as well as the liquor license application if necessary.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend Chapter 3 of the Taylorville City Code to terminate Liquor License upon sale of business; and to allow Liquor License to remain valid upon sale of one co-owner to another; and Section 3-3-4 be amended to say "not a resident of the County of Christian"; and to amend the Liquor License Application to include any relevant statements. The motion carried (4-0).

RESIDENTIAL SOLAR REQUIREMENTS

Chairman Skultety noted that there has been an increase in residential solar panels installed in the City. There is no regulation or permitting process. HBO Goodall requested a permit process similar to a sign permit, requiring insurance and a safety check. Clerk Lilly will contact various other municipalities to discuss how they regulate.

HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall provided a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, high grass and animal control issues.

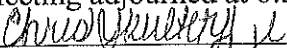
ANY OTHER MATTERS

HBO Goodall inquired as to moving his Airport Manager's Report to the Ordinance Committee as he is the only manager that is required to attend meetings on two nights.

Mayor Barry informed the Committee that he had received notification that the West Main Cross Grant has been moved to the House Appropriations Committee by Congressman Rodney Davis. This is one of fifteen projects moved forward and is a potential \$2,500,000.00 grant to the City of Taylorville.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

  
Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

June 16, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd  
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Driskell  
Alderman Olive

Clerk Lilly  
Superintendent Mann  
Chief Adermann  
Chief Wheeler

Chairman Skultety called the meeting to order at 7:42 P.M.

RESIDENTIAL SOLAR REQUIREMENTS

Due to the increase in residential solar installations throughout the City, the need to develop a formal process and policy is necessary. Information was presented from the City of Effingham City Code regarding solar requirements. Chief Adermann stated that the County has a solar permit but each local Fire Chief must inspect installations prior to approval. He suggested that there be an additional fee in the process for this inspection. The City of Pana currently requires a building permit only.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance establishing the following: residential solar permit application with fee of \$100.00, policy to allow structure mount panels only and prohibit ground mount panels within City limits mirroring the policy set forth by the City of Effingham, and to require an inspection by the Taylorville Fire Chief for a fee of \$100.00. The motion carried (4-0).

PAVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

No new information; this item will be discussed at the next meeting.

NON-BARGAINING SALARY CALCULATIONS

Chairman Skultety discussed modifying the Salary Cap portion of the Non-bargaining Employee Salary Ordinance to remove the salary cap. This would allow the City to increase salaries to an amount that is commiserate based on experience and performance, and not limit the amount to be offered to a pre-set maximum salary cap. This will offer potential for more growth of current non-bargaining employees and remain more competitive with salaries.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the Non-Bargaining Employee Salary Ordinance, Section 10. Salary Caps, to remove all maximum salary percentage amounts and allow minimum salary amount to remain, with all future salary offers for new non-bargaining personnel to be based upon knowledge and experience above the minimum salary amount. The motion carried (4-0).

HBO UPDATES

HBO report provided a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, high grass and animal control issues.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Chairman Skultety noted that City Attorney Romano emailed an updated liquor license Ordinance based on previous discussions. It will be placed on the June 20, 2022 City Council Agenda.

Alderman Bryant requested that the stop sign previously discussed at 1100 N 1500 East Road be moved forward on the corners that are City property. Chairman Wilson will place on the Street and Sewer Agenda.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Chris Skultety  
Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

July 21, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown  
HBO Goodall

Kaylee Jones  
Superintendent Mann  
Chief Adermann  
Treasurer Miles  
Matt Hutchinson

Bob Ridings  
Bonnie Matheny  
John Matheny  
Dick Adams  
Jeff Stoner  
Cody Rogers  
Andrew Watson

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Alderman Bryant

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

ONE WAY STREETS- KNUTE ROCKNE AND SPORTSMAN DRIVE

Taylorville High School Principal Matt Hutchinson requested that Knute Rockne be made a one-way street going North, and Sportsman Drive a one-way street going South. He discussed that it would be safer for the students walking to school from their parking spots. Bonnie and John Matheny, residents of Knute Rockne, expressed concerns about the bus routes, the students walking in the road, the rural mail route, and the trash company routes. Alderman Dorchinecz agreed that there should be a discussion with the post office and with the trash companies before a decision is made. No action was taken at this time.

PAVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code regarding pavement requirements as recommended by the City Engineer. The motion carried (3-0)

RESIDENTIAL SOLAR ORDINANCE

There was no discussion at this time.

GAMING FACILITY SIGNAGE

Mayor Barry observed that the gaming facilities around town have huge flags and excessive advertising. He discussed the possibility of having no outdoor advertising for gaming facilities. No action was taken at this time.

HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall was present to report a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, high grass and animal control issues. He also discussed a few of the houses that they are starting the process of tearing down.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

No other matters were brought before this committee.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 P.M.

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Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee



ORDINANCE COMMITTEE  
August 18, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd  
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown  
Alderman Olive

Clerk Lilly  
Treasurer Miles  
Chief Adermann  
HBO Goodall

Chairman Skultety called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M.

OUTDOOR BILLBOARDS OR SIGNS IN AN I-1 ZONING DISTRICT

City Attorney Romano supplied a draft Ordinance regarding Outdoor Billboards or Signs in an I-1 Zoning District. This Ordinance would allow a digital sign to be placed on a property zoned I-1 and to advertise places other than the specific property. This would allow for more broad advertising. This would require a Public Hearing and Plan Commission Meeting prior to approval by the City Council. It was noted that Illinois Department of Transportation must be involved and approve signage in this area due to the proximity to Route 29. Attorney Tom Finks, representing the prospective owner WC Media, stated that his client plans to make a full price purchase of the lot, and this is conditional upon the sign being approved and allowed. They will be selling advertising on the board to other businesses and will promote the City and the Industrial Park. HBO Goodall noted that there are other I-1 districts that border residential areas. It was determined that this provision could be limited to only the I-1 District located in the Taylorville Industrial Park.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Bryant to direct the City Clerk to set a Public Hearing and Plan Commission Meeting for October 3, 2022 prior to the City Council Meeting regarding An Ordinance Amending Sections 10-6-2 A of the Taylorville City Code (re: outdoor billboards or signs in only I-1 Zoning District located in the Taylorville Industrial Park). The motion carried (4-0).

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

City Attorney Romano provided a draft Ordinance regarding Solar Energy Systems, specifically to address, regulate, and set standard procedures for the installation and operation of residential solar systems. Information from Fire Chief Adermann, as well as the City of Effingham, Illinois was used to assist development of the Ordinance. Per the wishes of the Committee, the Ordinance does not allow for ground mount systems, although Fire Chief Adermann requested ground systems be considered and allowed with additional requirements regarding fencing and set-backs. He stated that the ground mounted systems are safer than roof mounted systems, and noted that over time the panels will become smaller. Any previously ground mounted systems would be grandfathered in. All solar systems will require an inspection by the Fire Department prior to operation as part of the permit process to ensure all safety protocols have been met.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Clerk to set a Public Hearing and Plan Commission Meeting for October 3, 2022 prior to the City Council Meeting to allow for passage of An Ordinance Adding Chapter 13 to Title 9 of the Taylorville City Code (re: solar energy systems) with modification regarding Ground Mounted Solar Energy Systems. The motion carried (4-0).

LIQUOR LICENSE LIMITS BY CLASSIFICATION

Chairman Skultety expressed concern regarding the growing number of liquor license issued in the City of Taylorville. He is interested in establishing limits on the various classifications. There are presently 72 total liquor licenses, with 46 of those including gaming. Currently, of those, 14 are gaming parlors. It was noted that Springfield has a 1:3,387 per capita ratio of resident to liquor license. Decatur has a ratio of 1:2,313, and Taylorville has a ratio of 1:818. He suggested putting a cap on Gaming Licenses of 40, and grandfather all that

are currently operating, and at some point, not issuing any new liquor license regardless of category. Alderman Budd requested to increase gaming terminal fees of \$25.00 per terminal to \$250.00 per terminal, increase the liquor license fees, and cap the total of gaming parlors only. This proposed fee increase will be on a future Finance Committee agenda for discussion. Due to many prospective businesses coming to the City, the Mayor suggested that no limits be established to allow these new businesses to obtain licenses. The gaming produces much needed revenue for the City that would be difficult to replace. There was no determination or resolution to the number of licenses, and no action taken.

#### HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall was present to report a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, high grass and animal control issues. He will be seeking implementation of an Animal Humane Investigator Ordinance to be implemented, mirroring the County. He is also requesting to purchase a tranquilizer gun and attend training for proper use. Cost of the gun is approximately \$1,600.00. This will be placed on the next City Council Agenda for approval.

#### ANY OTHER MATTERS


Julie Lilly discussed a property on Taylorville Boulevard that has multiple City Code violations, concern for the surrounding neighborhood safety and property values, and she requested the City take action to require it to be cleaned up to meet City Code.

Chief Adermann reminded the Council that ARPA Funds can not be listed or used as a direct payment for any equipment or purchases.

Chief Adermann requested that the BDD application process include sprinkler systems as an acceptable expense for downtown buildings to prevent spread of fires. The estimated cost for a system is \$5-6.00 per square foot and must be considered for many projects in the downtown square area.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

  
Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE  
September 13, 2022

MEMBERS

Acting Chairman Bryant  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown

Clerk Lilly  
Treasurer Miles  
HBO Goodall  
Matt Rogers  
Sheila Durham  
Tricia Henning  
Dana Amos  
Jacque Huddleston  
Lyndell Durham  
Brenda Henning  
Jim Amos

ABSENT

Alderman Skultety

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

VIDEO GAMING HOURS

Several local license holders have expressed concern that one local restaurant has extended Sunday Sales beginning at 6:00 A.M., allowing them to turn on the video gaming terminals at that time. Currently the City Code allows only the following classifications to have extended Sunday sales: Class B (grocery store); Class C (restaurant); Class C-1 (restaurant with gaming); Class F (golf course); and Class H (liquor store). No other classes are permitted extended Sunday Sales. This rule excludes gaming parlors and bars/taverns with or without gaming to open prior to 12:00 P.M. on any given Sunday, as well as various other classifications.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend City Code Section 3-3-10 B. and Liquor License Application to allow any and all classifications of liquor license holders to be eligible to opt in for Extended Sunday Sales from 6:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. and pay the additional liquor license fee of \$100.00 for Extended Sunday Sales, or \$300.00 in total for any establishment adding regular plus extended Sunday Sales. The motion carried (3-0).

VIDEO GAMING SIGNAGE

Per City Code Section 3-3-13 E. 2., a restriction is in place for video gaming signage affixed to the exterior of the licensed premises that advertises, displays, or indicated the presence or availability of video gaming. Signs are restricted to 24" x 30". There are several establishments in the City whose signs exceed this allowable size; only two are currently in non-compliance and will face an Ordinance violation if not corrected.

HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall was present to report a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, high grass and animal control issues.

Alderman Dorchinecz requested an update on 1300 East Franklin and Taylorville Boulevard. 1300 East Franklin will be issued an Ordinance Violation; Taylorville Boulevard will be given a ten-day notice after this meeting, followed by an Ordinance Violation if not corrected.

824 East Poplar was discussed, with several residents of neighboring properties present, and they were notably upset that the notice to remediate and demolition process has not been continued as discussed at the August meeting. There has been some work done on the property, but they noted that this has happened in the past and then fallen into further disrepair. There are dumpsters, trash, junk, weeds, holes in roof, and a trailer with no wheels present on the property. Mayor Barry stated that a lot of work has been done and that this is not the worst property in town. He stated that if the council wished to move forward, the process would progress. All in attendance expressed their support. Clerk Lilly will send certified letters to all lien holders discovered during the full Title Commitment, in addition to the property owner, notice will be recorded at the County and published in the newspaper. HBO Goodall will post another notification sign on the property; the previously posted notice was removed by the owner. This will provide a new 30 day deadline to the property owner.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Alderman Wilson informed the Committee that a Special Events permit will be submitted by Southern Ledge, for a block party in the 300-400 Block of East Main Cross, in conjunction with the Smalltown Taylorville Car Show and Late Night Shopping event on October 7, 2022. This is contingent upon East Main Cross project being completed by the target date of October 5, 2022.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 P.M.

Megan Bryant fl  
Megan Bryant, Acting Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

October 20, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Budd

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown  
Alderman Driskell

Clerk Lilly  
Treasurer Miles  
HBO Goodall  
Steve Craggs  
Jessie Krug  
Henry Krug

ABSENT

Alderman Bryant

Chairman Skultety called the meeting to order at 6:48 P.M.

3021 LINCOLN TRAIL DISCONNECTION

Henry and Jessie Krug were present to discuss their wish to sub-divide their 10.87 acre property located at 3021 Lincoln Trail. They wish to disconnect approximately 7.87 acres (8.13 acres per the Plat of Survey) from the City to County, and develop a target shooting range on that portion of the property. They plan to leave the 3.00 acre (3.22 acres per the Plat of Survey) parcel of residential property in City limits as currently zoned Residential. The target shooting range would consist of a backstop intended to stop any skipping or ricocheting of projectiles, and would be located in the timber of the portion that would be disconnected into the County. Chairman Skultety raised concerns regarding the potential loss of property tax and questioned a Special Use for the property verses the disconnection. The Krugs stated that they could make the disconnection area smaller if need be and that they had spoken to two of the three immediate neighbors who were in favor of this plan as they shoot guns as well. They also stated that this would be for personal use only; it will not be a public shooting range. Alderman Budd requested that this all be contingent upon letters of approval from all contiguous neighbors

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance for approval of the Krug disconnection request subject to compliance with the Illinois Plat Act, the City's subdivision code, the City's zoning code, and the requisite Christian County certificate of payment of taxes; letters of approval from contiguous neighbors; and to require that the Petitioner's pay the City's attorney fees and the recording fees to record the disconnection ordinance and the subdivision plat; and any title work and/or title insurance policy fees to confirm record title ownership of the subject property; and/or any publication costs that may be required in the subdivision approval process. The motion carried (3-0).

WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY

It is necessary for the City to develop a Whistleblower Protection Policy per Illinois State Statute. There must be a specific auditing official dedicated to establish written processes and procedures for managing complaints by a whistleblower. The whistleblower is protected under Public Act 101-0652 and Statute 50 ILCS 105/4.1 which prohibits retaliation. The Illinois Municipal League has developed a Model Policy, which the City can adopt. The Committee determined that the Human Resource Manager should be the designated Auditing Official for the City and maintain compliance with the statutes. Aldermen discussed the need for a Confidentiality Statement to be added, and determined that this role should be part of the Human Resource position.

Motion by Alderman and seconded by Alderman to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare the Whistleblower Protection Policy, with the addition of a Confidentiality Statement, and to name the Human Resource Manager as the auditing Official for the City of Taylorville. The motion carried (3-0).

## PANHANDLING POLICY

No action was taken.

## 1133 EAST ELM

Neighbors of the residence located at 1133 East Elm have expressed concern that the property owner is operating a business/junkyard at their property. There are often vehicles blocking the alleyway, trucks left running, and loud motorcycles and music. There are unlicensed and inoperable vehicles, and per City Code, this property could fall under the category of a nuisance property. They are requesting that it be addressed by the City. Paul Nation, neighbor to this property, stated that the property had been cleaned up somewhat, but he has lingering concerns. Mayor Barry stated he had offered to tear down the house, but the owner stated he would then put up a garage or shed, and this is not allowed per City Code. No action was taken.

## NO PARKING SIGNS – 1100 BLOCK OF EAST ESTHER

Due to vehicles parking in the street and blocking other properties, a request was made for the City to place No Parking signs in the 1100 block of East Esther Street, South side of the street. After discussion, it was determined that No Parking signs would be beneficial on the West Side of Wilkinson Street and the North side of the 1100 block of East Elm Street as well.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the City Code to place No Parking Signs on the South side of the 1100 Block of East Esther, the West side of Wilkinson Street and the North side of the 1100 block of East Elm. The motion carried (3-0).

## 216 WEST VINE

Currently there is a business operating outside of 216 West Vine on the driveway area as a yard sale. While there is no specific violation per City Code, it was brought to the attention of the Ordinance Committee to address the guidelines for this business to operate as such. Alderman Driskell informed the Committee that she has received several calls regarding this and requested some action be taken. She suggested that there be limiting hours/days for the items to be outside the business. Chairman Skultety will discuss with City Attorney Romano regarding the legalities of and potential solutions for this issue.

## HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall was present to report a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, high grass and animal control issues. Also discussed were properties on West Franklin and Taylorville Boulevard that are in violation of various City Codes.

## ANY OTHER MATTERS

No other matters were discussed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

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Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

November 16, 2022

MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Bryant

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Alderman Wilson  
Alderman Brown  
Alderman Driskell

Clerk Lilly  
Superintendent Mann  
HBO Goodall

ABSENT

Alderman Budd

Chairman Skultety called the meeting to order at 6:17 P.M.

SIDEWALK/YARD SALES

At the previous Ordinance Committee Meeting, it was suggested that there be limiting hours/days for the items to be outside of a business for a sidewalk or yard sale. Chairman Skultety received an email from City Attorney Romano which discussed the legalities of and potential solutions for this issue. This will be forwarded to the December Ordinance Committee Meeting for further discussion.

HBO UPDATES

HBO Goodall was present to provide a recap of this month's activity, highlighting many building permits, solar permits, led signs, and animal control issues. Alderman Dorchinecz inquired about the property on Taylorville Boulevard that is in violation of various City Codes; HBO Goodall stated that no ordinance violations have been given and the owner is beginning to clean up the property.

HBO Goodall presented two quotes for a new truck to replace his 2015 HBO truck. The 2015 would then go to the Airport to replace a truck that does not run and will be sold at the City Auction. First quote is from Landmark Ford, Inc. for a 2022 F-250 Regular Cab 4x4 with attachments/upgrades totaling \$68,138.00 This truck is available for immediate purchase. There is money allocated in the Equipment Line Item in the Airport budget, as well as money from the Cares Act Grant. The second quote was from Bob Ridings Ford for a 2023 F-350 Crew Cab 4x4. This vehicle would be ordered within the next three weeks and would not be delivered until Fall 2023, and paid from the FY 2023/2024 Budget. Discussion was held regarding needs for the new vehicle. Mayor Barry stated that the 2022 F-250 Regular Cab 4x4 available from Landmark Ford Inc. will be placed on the City Council Agenda for approval.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Superintendent Mann discussed a recurring issue of trees on the boulevards. The Street and Sewer Department has removed trees and sidewalks have been repaired and/or replaced following tree removal. He stated that many people are replanting trees. He will be removing any additional trees planted on the boulevards, as this is restricted in the City Code.

Clerk Lilly advised there will be a Finance Committee Meeting prior to City Council on November 21, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. to finalize and approve the Tax Levy amounts in order to meet statutory guidelines.

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

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Chris Skultety, Chairman  
Ordinance Committee