

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

September 19, 2018

MEMBERS

Chairman Jones
Alderman Walters
Alderman Lanzotti
Alderman Budd
Mayor Barry

ALSO PRESENT

George Calvert
Clerk Julie Lilly
Alderman Olive
Alderman Burtle
Treasurer Nation

Kellie Hamell
Owen Lasswell
Cindy Dey
Matt Adermann

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

Class M Liquor License

A proposed Ordinance was prepared by Attorney Romano and presented to the Committee Members regarding a Class M Liquor License “convenience stores” with video gaming. Chairman Jones opened discussion regarding the particulars of this Ordinance.

Mayor Barry would like to put in the City Liquor Code that there will be no signs advertising Video Gaming on any City Property or City Boulevards. He also suggested the amount for a Class M Liquor License be \$3,000.00 annually as all other Liquor Licenses with Video Gaming are that amount.

According to the proposed Ordinance, a “convenience store” shall mean a small-size retail business and gas station that sells gasoline, fuel and petroleum products which will be allowed to apply for a Class M Liquor License with video gaming. There is one convenience store (Amity on West Spresser Street) in the City that does not sell gasoline and is interested in applying for video gaming. This convenience store has a long history in this location and the Committee agreed to allow this one convenience store that does not sell gasoline to apply and be “grandfathered in” for the Class M Liquor License. Any and all future Class M licensees would be mandated to sell gasoline.

The Committee also discussed that the convenience stores applying for a Class M Liquor License provide a separate address that is registered with the Taylorville Post Office, such as Suite A.

Motion by Alderman Walters and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the proposed Class M Liquor License Ordinance with amendments as discussed. Motion tied 2-2.

Alderman Walters requested the Mayor to place this motion on the October 1, 2018 City Council Agenda.

Stop Sign/Intersection of Pleasant & Walnut Streets

Chairman Jones was approached by Alderman Walters, who was approached by the Taylorville School District, regarding making Pleasant Street a through street with Walnut Street becoming a one-way stop in the northbound direction. He explained to the Committee that with construction of Taylorville Memorial Hospital that the two stop signs on Pleasant Street probably should be removed, making Pleasant Street a through street and a stop sign be place at the intersection of North Walnut Street and Pleasant Street.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Walters to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the Taylorville City Code Title 6, Section 4 to include a stop sign at the intersection of Pleasant and North Walnut Street and removing the two stop signs on Pleasant Street. Motion carried 4-0.

Zoning Amendment for Sod Farm

HBO Calvert has been approached by someone interested in having a sod farm on Spresser Street. The area is approximately 2 acres, within the City limits, and zoned I-1. He plans to drill a well to be used for farming purposes. There will be no City utilities used. HBO Calvert also stated that the farmer will fill in the well if or when he is no longer using the property as a sod farm.

Discussion was held on whether or not it would be necessary to change the Zoning Classification. It was determined that a Special Use would be sufficient for this use.

Motion by Alderman Walters and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the City Code to allow Sod Farms with a Special Use. Motion carried 4-0.

HBO Updates

George Calvert, Health and Building Officer, presented a list of demolitions and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Bruce Jones, Chairman
Ordinance Committee