

At the Public Hearing held in the Council Chambers by the City Council, September 4, 2018, the following proceedings were held and entered in this record in the following words and figures to wit:

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City Clerk

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Mayor

The Mayor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 P.M.

All Aldermen were present along with Mayor Barry, City Clerk Lilly, HBO George Calvert, and City Attorney Romano. Also present were Plan & Zone Commission members Chairman Joe Hauser, Jim Altman, Scott McClure, Tony Verardi, Pat Kretzer, and Garrett Ess. Joe Martin, Matthew Thomas, Kim Bourne, John Iocca, and Ryan Mann represented Taylorville Memorial Hospital, along with Steve Carender from Maplenet Wireless. Taylorville Resident Jim Hanely and Owen Lasswell from the Breeze Courier were present as well.

Mayor Barry announced that the purpose of the Public Hearing was to consider the request of Taylorville Memorial Hospital for a Special Use to build an 80-foot-tall lattice-style communications tower at the hospital, located at 201 East Pleasant Street, Taylorville.

Mayor Barry invited the Plan and Zone Commission to open their meeting and the discussion on the communication tower. The Hospital representatives distributed documentation to the Plan and Zone Commission with detailed information on the plans for the tower. City Attorney Romano cited several issues with the City of Taylorville Zoning Code, Chapter 10 re: Telecommunication Antenna Code, that Taylorville Memorial Hospital must comply with in regards to the communication tower.

Citing City Ordinance No. 2956 as a guideline, City Attorney Romano suggested that the representatives from Taylorville Memorial Hospital revise their application to comply with all the parameters of this Ordinance and specifically address those items that are currently absent from their documentation. This will then need to go back to Plan and Zone Commission, with another Public Hearing, followed by the Plan and Zone Commission submitting Findings of Fact to the City Council. The Council may then take action in the form of an Ordinance to grant a Waiver and/or Zoning Variance or Special Use for this communication tower. This process could involve a total of two Public Hearings. It was recommended that Taylorville Memorial Hospital not be charged for any further Public Hearings to complete this process.

Representatives from Taylorville Memorial Hospital noted that they have provided the majority of this documentation to support the concerns and questions of City Attorney Romano. They have requested that he send a formal, written list of his requirements so that they may address.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Olive to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried (8-0).

The Public Hearing adjourned at 6:31 P.M.