

## ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

August 19, 2021

### MEMBERS

Chairman Skultety  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Alderman Bryant  
Alderman Budd

### ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry	Clerk Lilly	Peggy Brandon
Alderman Wilson	Treasurer Hamell	Superintendent Mann
Alderman Brown	Superintendent Mann	Tim McCardle
Alderman Olive	HBO Goodall	Derek McConnell
Alderman Driskell	Chief Adermann	Jaclyn Lunsford
	Bud Jones	Nancy Jones
	Linda Allen	Sarah Van Huss
	Laura Mitchell	

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

### OFF STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS

City Code Section 10-8-2 states that all lots/off street parking must be hard surfaced with a minimum of 4 inches of PC concrete or 6 inches of gravel or crushed stone base plus 2 inches of bituminous concrete, which could be chip and oil, asphalt or concrete. HBO Goodall had previously suggested a permit process to allow for monitoring, tracking and compliance to the standards and is seeking guidance for enforcement. Discussion was held on the appropriate timeframe for completion, as well as penalty for non-compliance. It was determined that this section would address new builds/construction only, and all current properties would be grandfathered in with current parking lots left as is.

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 City Code Section 10-8-2 to require all specifications as listed for commercial off-street parking lots to be met within twelve(12) months of issuance of building/construction permit, with any non-compliance to be fined per Ordinance Violation of \$250.00 per thirty(30) days following initial twelve(12) month permit period. The motion carried (4-0).

### 1600 BLOCK WEST PARK AVENUE/NO PARKING SIGNS

A request has been made for No Parking Signs on the South side of the road on the 1600 block of West Park Avenue, due to the narrowness of the road and difficulty to homeowners to exit driveways.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dorchinecz to recommend to the City Council direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to allow for No Parking Signs on the South Side of the road on the 1600 block of West Park Avenue. The motion carried (4-0).

### 309 E. VINE – BUSINESS PLANS

Ms. Peggy Brandon was present to discuss the business plans for the property located at 309 East Vine, formerly Beau's Auto Body. She and her partner plan to open a pub/restaurant in this location, along with an outdoor bar, stage and pergola with seating area. HBO Goodall presented the Committee with City Code sections pertaining to zoning, parking and noise. This property is zoned Industrial-1, but is located adjacent to areas zoned Residential and Commercial. Parking for the establishment must be available as follows: 1 space per 4 seats or 1 space per 50 feet of floor area, as well as a dedicated loading space of not less than 10' wide x 45' long x 14' high. There is not a dedicated parking area for this property, leaving only street parking for the patrons. Live music would not be allowed after 10:00 P.M. per City Code 4-6-1, and noise level is subject to the regulations within the Code. This is the biggest concern at this time for the neighboring residential properties. Several neighbors spoke regarding the disruption the live music and noise level could cause to their homes and families, in addition to excess vehicles blocking the streets as there is no assigned parking lot for this property. They expressed concern and lack of

support for this project as planned. Ms. Brandon stated that they have not completed their build to test the sound, but she did not believe the noise would be above the allowable decible. She will be putting in noise abatement such as fence and berms. She also stated that the live music would only be held on weekends, and would end by 10:00 P.M. as required by Ordinance. She is not creating the typical bar atmosphere, but rather marketing toward groups, out of town organizations, and clubs who seek this type of entertainment. Pat Kretzer with the Zoning Board discussed the need for a Special Use and a Variance. The stage is too close to the property line, thus requiring a variance. The use of the property would require a Special Use due to the regulations in place per the City Code It was also noted that no permits or variances were obtained prior to any construction taking place. The building permit was applied for in late July, after work was already in progress. This concerned many of the Aldermen, who discussed the need for proper procedure to be followed. HBO Goodall stated that the building permit was not actually issued due to the need for a Variance and Special Use prior to issuance of the building permit. Ms. Brandon stated that there was no need for her to get the Variance, Special Use and Building Permit if the Council was going to deny her requests. Chairman Skultety informed her that no further action could be taken until she obtained said variance, Special Use and Building Permit. No action was taken on this item.

### **FEEDING OF WILDLIFE**

Alderman Driskell requested this item on the agenda, to address the feeding of wildlife at Lake Taylorville, specifically geese. There are large amounts of geese, which have led to higher than normal concentrations of E-coli in the beach swimming area and have caused the beach area to be closed at times. It is illegal to harass, harm or kill geese. Alderman Driskell requested to have signs placed in areas around the lake stating it is illegal to feed of geese on property within City limits and place a fine on such violation. Concerns were raised regarding the shortage of personnel to enforce this rule and issue fines. No action was taken on this item.

### **NON-BARGAINING PERSONNEL EVALUATIONS**

The Personnel Committee, along with the full City Council, have instructed the Ordinance Committee to prepare the necessary changes to the City Code regarding non-bargaining personnel evaluations. The process will be completed yearly in the month of October by the Mayor, Personnel Committee Chairman, and the Human Resource Manager collectively. The results will then be presented to the Personnel Committee for approval, and then forwarded to the City Council for final approval. Increases will go into effect on January 1 of the year immediately following the evaluation process. Percentage of increase varies from 0-6% based on outcome of evaluation. All evaluations will be tied to a specific job description for each specific role. Human Resources Manager will work with all non-bargaining personnel to develop job descriptions prior to evaluations in October.

Motion by Alderman and seconded by Alderman to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to make the appropriate changes to Section 1-9-14 of the Taylorville City Code regarding evaluations of Non-Bargaining Personnel to be completed yearly in October by the Mayor, Personnel Committee Chairman and Human Resource Manager, forwarded to the Personnel Committee for approval, and to take effect on January 1. The motion carried (3-1).

### **HBO UPDATES**

HBO Goodall provided updates on Animal Control and various building projects.

### **ANY OTHER MATTERS**

Mayor Barry stated that Pat Kretzer, member of Plan Commission, requested to move all future Plan Commission Meetings to the basement of the Municipal Building at 7:00 P.M. on the same nights as City Council. Currently meetings are held at 6:00 P.M. prior to City Council in front of the City Council members. If time and location of the Plan Commission Meetings are changed, recommendations may not

always be presented to the Council on the same evening, dependent upon length of both meetings, and the City Council would not have the opportunity to address those coming before the Plan Commission.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

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Chris Skultety Chairman  
Ordinance Committee