January 21, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman JonesGeorge CalvertJosh AssadAlderman BurtleAlderman HeberlingJim BeaversAlderman VotaAlderman DorchineczLinda CrawfordAlderman BuddJacque NationSonja BeaversMayor BrothertonCindy DeyBabe Assad

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

# Amend Taylorville City Code to Include Indoor Recycling

The Health and Building Officer was contacted by an individual who is interested in opening an indoor recycling facility in a commercial area.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the Taylorville City Code to include an indoor recycling facility in a commercial area as a Special Use and also include the definition of an indoor recycling facility and to have the proposed draft ordinance for the February 9, 2016 Ordinance Committee Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

# **HBO** Updates

HBO Officer George Calvert presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

## **Any Other Matters**

Chairman Jones requested that the Ordinance Committee Meeting be moved to February 9, 2016 and Alderman Budd also moved the Finance Committee Meeting to February 9, 2016.

A revised Ordinance pertaining to Indoor Firing Ranges as a Special Use was presented to all the Aldermen for their review for the February 9, 2016 Ordinance Committee Meeting.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE February 9, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman JonesAlderman WaltersJosh AssadAlderman BurtleAlderman HeberlingBabe AssadAlderman VotaAlderman MooreCindy Dey

Alderman Budd Mayor Brotherton

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 7:46 P.M.

Ordinance-Indoor Recycling Centers as a Special Use in C-1, C-2, I-1, I-2 and I-3 Zoning Districts
The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed Ordinance as prepared by the City Attorney regarding Indoor Recycling Centers as a Special Use in C-1, C-2, I-1, I-2 and I-3 Zoning Districts.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve the proposed Ordinance as prepared by the City Attorney regarding Indoor Recycling Centers as a Special Use in C-1, C-2, I-1, I-2 and I-3 Zoning Districts and forward the Ordinance to the Plan Commission and set a Public Hearing. Motion carried 4-0.

# Review Amended Ordinance Regarding Firing Ranges as a Special Use in C-1, C-2, I-1, I-2 and I-3 Zoning Districts

The Committee reviewed and discussed the amended Ordinance as prepared by the City Attorney regarding Firing Ranges as a Special Use in C-1, C-2, I-1, I-2 and I-3 Zoning Districts. The recommended changes to the ordinance are as follows:

- 1) pg. 2 line 6 change Firing to Firearms
- 2) pg. 4 #5(a) line 3, reword to say "contaminants away from the shooting lines or lanes and capture and filter them in the building's system before discharging them from the building to reduce to..."
- 3) pg. 4 #5(a) line 12, radius will be 25 feet
- 4) pg. 4 # 5(b) line 4, insert ten (10) feet
- 5) pg. 6 #10 line 6, delete 3 and replace with "of" and change Firing to Firearms
- 6) pg. 6 #13 Change wording to read, "The hours of shooting and discharge of firearms shall be restricted to the requirements and detailed in the Special Use, however all such hours of shooting and discharge operation and activities may be amended by the majority affirmative vote of the City Council, in its sole discretion, from time to time.
- 7) pg. 7 #18 Annual fee for operating permit shall be \$200.00
- 8) pg. 7 #19 Inspection shall be annually
- 9) pg. 8 #21 Delete Section 21

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Jones to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to make the revisions as discussed and/or the Mayor may otherwise direct and to forward the proposed amended Ordinance regarding Firearm Ranges as a Special Use in C-1, C-2, I-1, I-2 and I-3 Zoning Districts to the Plan Commission and to set a Public Hearing. Motion carried 4-0.

# Amending Language in the Sewer Section of the City Code

All Aldermen were given a copy of a Sewer Section of the City Code attached to the Ordinance Committee Meeting Agenda to review. The attachment states that certain wording in Sections of the City Code pertaining to building sewer be deleted based upon the recommendation of Alderman Walters, Chairman of the Street and Sewer Committee.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the Sewer Section of the City Code based upon the recommendation of the Street and Sewer Committee. Motion carried 3-1.

Alderman Burtle requested past minutes be reviewed as he feels this issue has already been dealt with.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE March 17, 2016

MEMBERS
Chairman Jones
Alderman Burtle
Alderman Budd
Alderman Vota

Mayor Brotherton

ALSO PRESENT
George Calvert
Alderman Walters
Alderman Moore
Alderman Heberling
Betty Endsley
Cindy Dey

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 7:21 P.M.

Ordinance Amending Gaming "Net Terminal Income", Delinquent Water Bills, and Auctioneer Licenses The Committee discussed the proposed Ordinance regarding gaming "net terminal income", delinquent water bills, and auctioneer licenses) as prepared by the City Attorney. The Mayor informed the Committee that there is a change to the Gross Revenue from Legalized Gaming and/or Gambling. The 70% should be changed to 34.63625%.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to approve the proposed Ordinance amending Section 8-4-9, and Subparagraph 1 of Section 3-5-6, Section 3-13-1, of the Taylorville City Code regarding gaming "Net Terminal Income", Delinquent Water Bills, and Auctioneer Licenses with the correction of 34.63625% to Gross Revenue from Legalized Gaming and/or Gambling. Motion carried 4-0.

## Amending Language in the Sewer Section of the City Code

Amending language in the Sewer Section of the City Code was tabled at the February 16, 2016 City Council Meeting until such time that the City Attorney had a chance to review the language intent. Chairman Jones stated the City Attorney's opinion that the requested language change would revert the total repair liability of the property owner's sewer service line (excluding the building sewer tap to the City's sewer main) to the owner and that would be a substantive change from the revisions adopted in Ordinance No. 3685 on September 15, 2014.

Alderman Burtle suggested the language "located only within the City's right of way or easement" be incorporated in 8-5-4 (b) and 8-5-4 (c) to the City Code. He feels this would alleviate the confusion regarding issues with the Sewer language.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend Sections 8-5-4 (b) and 8-5-4 (c) to the City Code to add the language "located only within the City's right of way or easement." Motion carried 4-0

#### **HBO** Updates

HBO Officer George Calvert presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 P.M.

April 21, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman JonesGeorge CalvertOwen LasswellAlderman BurtleAlderman WaltersJack MazzottiAlderman VotaAlderman MooreCindy Dey

Alderman Budd Mayor Brotherton

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

# FY 2016/2017 HBO Budget

HBO Officer, George Calvert presented the FY2016/2017 HBO Budget stating it is the same as last year's except for the Equipment Line Item has been reduced as last year's budget included the purchase of a pickup truck.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to forward the proposed FY2016/2017 HBO Budget to the Finance Committee. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **HBO** Updates

HBO Officer George Calvert presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

# Amend Language in the Sewer Section of City Code

The Committee discussed and reviewed the draft Ordinance pertaining to the liability of property owners for building sewer repairs as prepared by the City Attorney.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to approve the draft Ordinance pertaining to the liability of property owners for building sewer repairs as prepared by the City Attorney. Motion carried 4-0.

#### Video Gaming Device Rules and Regulations

Mayor Brotherton advised the Committee that he thought it might be wise to take yet another look at the current Liquor License Ordinance. The Mayor reminded the Committee that the City's primary goal regarding the video gaming issue was to ensure that the video gaming was not the primary source of revenue for any liquor license operating inside the City limits. He stated that enforcement of the current ordinance will do that but that it may have unintended consequences. He used the situation involving a local drug store as an example. Rene's Drug Store has served food onsite for over 75 years via the restaurant portion of the store's business. The revenue from the sale of prepared food exceeds the gaming revenue. The problem is that the restaurant is not the primary business of the store and for that reason the store cannot be classified as a restaurant under the current ordinance. Unless the ordinance language is changed Rene's cannot be issued a liquor license under the restaurant classification.

Mr. Jack Mazzotti, owner of Rene's Drug Store addressed the Committee stating that he felt that consideration should be given to the fact that a functioning restaurant with the required staffing and that has always met the regulations required for restaurants by the Christian County Public Health Department has been in operation at his site for over 75 years.

The Committee agreed and directed the Mayor to work with the City Attorney to revise the current ordinance in a way that would allow a drug store to be eligible for a liquor license that would allow video gaming to continue on site.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the current Liquor License Ordinance that would allow a drug store with a restaurant to be eligible for a liquor license with video gaming. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE May 18, 2016

<u>MEMBERS</u> <u>ALSO PRESENT</u>

Chairman JonesGeorge CalvertDon WellsAlderman BuddAlderman WaltersDustin AllenAlderman VotaChris BiondolinoToni AllenAlderman BurtleJim LindseyKathy LindseyMayor BrothertonCindy Dey

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 8:56 P.M.

Amending Language in the Street Section of the Taylorville City Code Regarding Stop & Yield Signs
A list was presented to the Committee of corrections that need to be addressed in the City Code regarding current signs on England Street and at intersections with England from Houston to Shumway Streets.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the language in the Street Section of the City Code regarding current signs on England Street and at intersections with England from Houston to Shumway Streets. Motion carried 4-0.

Amend Section 3-3-1 of the Taylorville City Code Regarding the Revision of a Restaurant Definition
The Committee discussed the proposed change in the definition of a restaurant that had been prepared by the
City Attorney. While the majority did not have a specific problem with the change which will allow a
pharmacy that has a restaurant on site to obtain a Video Gaming License, several Aldermen voiced their
frustration with the continuous changing of the Liquor License Ordinances. Mayor Brotherton stated that he
understood their frustration but that the changes were needed.

Several Liquor License Holders were present in the audience and voiced their concerns that the new ordinances were not being enforced in a fair and equitable manner. They questioned if the establishment known as Dotty's was making enough revenue from the sale of food to meet the definition of a restaurant as it is currently defined in the City Code. Mayor Brotherton stated that based upon the documentation received from Dotty's the establishment did meet the definition but that he intended to take additional steps to verify that the information submitted was accurate.

The Committee had an extensive discussion regarding who should and should not be allowed to have a liquor license. Alderman Burtle stated that if a business gets a liquor license he feels that they should actually sell and serve alcohol. Mayor Brotherton stated that he too was frustrated with the "games" being played but until the State steps forward to provide the direction needed problems will probably continue.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to approve the draft Ordinance pertaining to revising the definition of a restaurant as prepared by the City Attorney. Motion carried 3-1.

#### **HBO** Updates

HBO Officer George Calvert presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 10:17 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE June 16, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Jones George Calvert Gary McNeely
Alderman Burtle Attorney Romano Dan McNeely
Alderman Vota Alderman Olive Owen Lasswell
Alderman Budd Alderman Heberling Cindy Dey

**Mayor Brotherton** 

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

# Amend Section 3-3-1 Regarding Determination of Gross Revenues

Mayor Brotherton advised the Committee that there was a need to make a change to the existing ordinance dealing with video gaming. City Attorney Romano explained that Subparagraph C-2 of Section 3-3-21 of the Taylorville City Code requires a liquor licensee to submit a copy of their ST-1 Sales and Use Tax Return and Sales Tax Report submitted per request of the Mayor. The Mayor has leaned that a ST-2 Sales and Use Tax Return and Sales Tax Report actually provides additional pertinent information for determining the actual gross revenues of the business. The suggested change to the ordinance would add the ST-2 submittal as something that can be required by the Mayor.

Alderman Burtle questioned why the City continues to amend ordinances relating to the video gaming issue. Mayor Brotherton explained that the rules are still being established and until the State issues some more definitive guidelines municipalities will continue to be forced to "feel their way through" this issue.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to amend Subparagraph C.2 of the Taylorville City Code Section 3-3-21 to read as follows: "C.2, A certified copy of the monthly ST-1 and ST-2 Sales and Use Tax Returns and Sales Tax Reports as filed by the applicant or licensee to the Illinois Department of Revenue for the subject three (3) consecutive month period." Motion carried 4-0.

City Attorney Romano stated that following a meeting that the Mayor and he had with the owner and manager of Dotty's, he felt it would be wise to tighten up the definition of "gross revenue" as it relates to liquor licensees. He explained that Dotty's owner had referred to what he termed as being the restaurant industry's definition of "gross revenue" which he claimed allowed food and beverages that are given away to count towards the gross sales of the restaurant. This does not match the City's understanding of the term and is why Attorney Romano feels the need to clarify our definition.

A very lengthy discussion followed regarding whether or not several of the current liquor licensees with the gaming terminals were in compliance. Mayor Brotherton stated that it is difficult to determine but he and the City Attorney are working to verify the documentation submitted by them to help make that determination.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance that provides and adds a definition of "gross revenue" in Section 3-3-1 and/or in Section 3-3-21 of the Taylorville City Code relating to the retail sale of alcoholic liquor, food, meals, non-alcoholic beverages, snacks, tobacco, sundries, and from any and all other merchandise, property, or goods of any kind, nature or extent whatsoever, and from all other activities on the liquor licensed premises. Motion carried 3-1.

# Volunteer Petitions for Annexation of Contiguous Property

On July 6, 1999, the City voted to hold a Public Hearing every four months, April, August, and December for those people outside City limits who have signed an "Agreement for Annexation" in order to receive City Water. In December 2015, the Council voted to have contiguous property owners signs the same Agreements with the Council deciding during the Public Hearings in April, August, and December whether or not to annex those properties. A property owner recently asked to annex their property into the City but needs to do it now, not wait until August. City Attorney Romano recommends approving a new Annexation Agreement for contiguous property owners who are not requesting City water or sewer services and there is no adjacent roadway outside the City's corporate limits.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to allow from time to time the consideration of petitions for annexation of property prior to the next scheduled Annexation Public Hearing dates, where such property is contiguous to the City's corporate limits, and there is no request for City water or sewer services, and there is no adjacent roadway outside the City's corporate limits. The City reserves the right to deny any and all such petitions for Annexations. Motion carried 4-0.

# **HBO** Updates

HBO Officer George Calvert presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.9

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE July 21, 2016

**MEMBERS** 

Chairman Jones Alderman Vota Alderman Budd Mayor Brotherton

MEMBERS ABSENT

Alderman Burtle

ALSO PRESENT

George Calvert

Tom & Penny Perry

Gerry Mahr

Patty Hornbuckle

Alderman Olive

Fred Jansen

Amery Gardner

**Shirley Sams** 

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

# Property Issue-6 Del Mar Ct.

The residents of 6 Del Mar Ct. were unable to attend the meeting; this issue will be forwarded to the next Water Committee Agenda as the Water Committee handles these types of requests.

#### Chilifest-Beer Sales Request

Tom and Penny Perry were present to request to sell beer again this year at the Chilifest. Last year was the first year beer has been allowed at Chilifest in many years, they advised due to the very cold weather the sales were not as good as anticipated. She advised they didn't lose money after paying the workers as some of the help was there as volunteers; they didn't make a lot of money but they had fun. The members of the Committee advised there were no problems last year and everyone thought the location for the beer area was good. Mr. Perry suggested placing a fence around the area to make it more stable as last year he spent hours keeping the barrier up due to the wind. Patty Hornbuckle advised Alderman Walters has joined the Chilifest Committee as liaison for the City. Alderman Jones will vote no due to personal reasons.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to allow Penny Perry and Major Leagues Inc. to sell beer at the Chilifest upon filing the appropriate papers with the City Clerk's Office. Motion carried 2-1.

#### Revisions to the Liquor and/or Video Gaming Ordinances

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the percentages of money the establishments make from food sales or liquor sales and gaming and the possibility of grandfathering the establishments that have video gaming licenses. City Attorney Romano will be asked to attend the next Ordinance Committee Meeting to answer questions of the Committee regarding the definition of gross sales.

Removal of "No Parking" Signage West of Railroad in the 400 Block of East Adams Residents in the 400 block of East Adams had asked that the "No Parking" signage west of the railroad tracks be removed as the road is now completely closed.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to remove the "No Parking" signs west of the railroad tracks on East Adams Street. Motion carried 3-0.

# **HBO** Updates

HBO Officer George Calvert advised his summer helper got bit by a dog; he went to the doctor to have punctures on his hands cleaned. He presented pictures and updated the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE August 18, 2016

<u>Members</u> <u>Also Present</u>

Chairman Jones Alderman Walters Owen Lasswell Fred Jansen Alderman Burtle Alderman Olive Amery Gardner Dustin Allen Marcia Neal Chris Biondolino Alderman Vota Alderman Dorchinecz Attorney Romano Gary Merker Mike Crews Alderman Budd Mayor Brotherton Ken Hart Mary Renner Matt Adermann Terri France Jim & Kathy Lindsey Matt Phillips Bob & Rebecca Steiner Cindy Dey Jon Wamsley

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

#### Amend Comprehensive Plan

Mr. Ken Hart President of Taylorville Development Association, Inc. and the Board of Directors of TDA are requesting an amendment to the 2006 City of Taylorville Comprehensive Plan Chapter III (Future Land Use) C.3 from Future Commercial Zoning to Future Industrial Zoning. A change in the Comprehensive Plan will then allow TDA to apply for rezoning of property owned by Taylorville Development Association.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to submit the City of Taylorville - 2006 Comprehensive Plan and Official Map and T.D.A.'s requested proposed amendment to the said 2006 Comprehensive Plan and proposed amended Future Land Use map and the "draft" "Ordinance Ratifying the Adoption of the City of Taylorville - 2006 Comprehensive Plan and Adopting an Amendment to said 2006 Comprehensive Plan" to the Plan Commission for their review, consideration, and recommendations to the City Council; and for the City's corporate authorities to provide the requisite notice for and schedule a public hearing before the City Council for Monday, October 3, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in accordance with 65 ILCS 5/11-12-7 to consider and to provide the opportunity for and to hear from any and all interested persons desiring to be heard at said public hearing and to consider any and all oral and/or written statements in support or opposition of said Ordinance. Motion carried 4-0.

#### City Librarian Residency Requirement

Ms. Terri France representing the Taylorville Public Library addressed the Committee regarding the residency requirement for the City Librarian. Currently a full time City Librarian must become a qualified elector and must become a resident of the City within 90 consecutive days following employment. The Library Board is requesting that the Librarian does not have to be a resident within the Corporate City Limits.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance to amend the Taylorville City Code Sections 1-9-2 A. 2 and 4 to remove the residency requirement for the Office of City Librarian. Motion carried 4-0.

#### Review Ordinance Regarding Parking on the Square

Alderman Walters is requesting on behalf of Downtown Taylorville.org that an Ordinance be drafted enforcing the Farmers Market No Parking Signs on Saturdays on the east side of the square.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend the Taylorville City Code Section 6-4-3-1 to add a no parking prohibition with appropriate signage for designated areas on the Taylorville Square as requested during "Farmers Market" activities held on Saturdays from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. April through October. Motion carried 4-0.

#### Revisions Liquor and/or Video Gaming Ordinances

Chairman Jones read his memo dated July 29, 2016 to the City Attorney outlining issues with the definition of Gross Sales and/or Gross Revenues in regards to the Video Gaming Liquor Licenses. The Committee discussed many alternatives and amendments to the gaming ordinances after the Aldermen, Mayor, City Attorney, and the public who attended the meeting expressed their views.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to amend applicable provisions of Chapter 3 of Title 3 of the Taylorville City Code as he deems appropriate to effectively redefine "taverns or lounges" and "restaurants" and to reduce to 30% the percentage of "total gross revenue" from the retail sale of alcoholic liquor in the case of taverns and lounges or from the retail sale of meals actually cooked, prepared and served for consumption on the premises in the case of restaurants, to qualify for a Class A-1 Liquor License (tavern or lounges) or for a C-1 Liquor License (restaurant), as the case may be. Motion carried 3-1.

## **HBO** Updates

Chairman Jones presented the HBO report updating the Committee of property violations and cleanups.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE September 15, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Jones George Calvert Owen Lasswell
Alderman Vota Alderman Heberling Mr. & Mrs. Fred Jansen
Alderman Budd Alderman Olive Amery Gardner
Alderman Burtle Alderman Dorchinecz Chris Biondolino
Mayor Brotherton Cindy Dey Jim & Kathy Lindsey

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 8:59 P.M.

# Liquor and/or Video Gaming Ordinances

The Committee once again discussed possible options regarding the video gaming issue. City Attorney Romano requested the Committee to delay making a decision until he had attended this year's IML Conference in Chicago. He advised that he would be attending a session specifically dealing with video gaming issues and would have an opportunity to learn how other municipalities were dealing with the issue.

Discussions continued regarding video gaming with no further action taken until the City Attorney returns from the IML Conference being held next week.

## **HBO** Updates

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

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 P.M.

Bruce Jones, Chairman	
Ordinance Committee	

October 12, 2016

**MEMBERS** 

**ALSO PRESENT** 

Chairman Jones Alderman Burtle Alderman Vota Alderman Budd Mayor Brotherton George Calvert Andy Goodall Alderman Olive Alderman Dorchinecz Alderman Heberling

Owen Lasswell Jacque Nation Jim & Kathy Lindsey William & Susan Baird Chris Biondolino Dustin Clark

**Dustin Allen** Billie Heberling Amery Gardner Cindy Dey

Attorney Romano Mickie & Jerry Erhardt

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

# **Abandoned Properties**

The Committee discussed the topic of abandoned and blighted properties. Mayor Brotherton showed video footage of three different residences located within the City that Health and Building Officer George Calvert has been dealing with. The City's goal is to force the owners to make the repairs necessary to bring the properties into compliance with the current building codes or to have the structures torn down and the debris removed from the properties.

William and Susan Baird who own the property located at 1019 West Vandeveer stated that it has been their intent to have the residence torn down but they have been busy with other issues that have prevented them from getting it done. Mr. Baird stated that he did not really understand why the City was pressuring him in regard to the residence and stated that the property was being maintained per Mr. Calvert's directions. The yard has been mowed and broken windows have been boarded up. In regard to the items inside the house they stated that they have been systematically getting rid of stuff by holding rummage sales. City Attorney Romano pointed out that the residence had numerous holes and openings in the eaves of the roof that would allow birds and animals to enter through. Mr. Calvert stated that due to the openings in the roof the interior ceilings in the residence were collapsing. Mr. Baird also informed the Committee that he spoke with a Mr. Aldridge about tearing down the residence and it is now on his list. Mr. Aldridge currently has two other locations in the City where he will be removing structures and that he will begin working on the Baird property once those jobs are completed.

The Committee next discussed the property located at 1101 Springfield Road that is owned by Mickie and Jerry Erhardt. The video footage showed numerous large openings in the roof of the residence. Mr. Erhardt stated that he believed the residence to be structurally sound and asked if shingling over the openings in the roof would be sufficient. It was pointed out that due to the opening in the roof there has to be interior damage to the residence as well and that just covering the holes in the roof would not bring the residence into compliance. Mr. Erhardt was told that he has two options. He could either repair the existing defects or have the house torn down and removed. Mickie Erhardt mentioned that a water line that served both the house and the skating rink building located on the same property ran through the foundation of the residence. She fears that if they try to tear down the residence the water line will be damaged. Alderman Burtle stated that he felt that concern was minor as the line could be cut off on each end of the residence leaving only a relatively small portion to be replaced after the house had been demolished and removed. Mr. Erhardt was directed to obtain a registration permit through the City that would include a plan to remove the residence.

The Committee next focused its discussion on the property located at 515 East Main Cross. This property was previously damaged in a fire and is believed to be beyond repair. The property has been foreclosed on and is currently owned by a bank.

Mr. Dustin Clark was in attendance and informed the Committee that he has made an offer to buy the property but was told that the City has a lien for mowing expenses attached to the property. He asked that the lien be removed. The Committee stated that they were willing to remove the lien if Mr. Clark could have the building removed by the end of the year or early January. Mr. Clark stated that he believes he can do that.

Mayor Brotherton asked Attorney Romano if it was allowable to have a garage being used for storage on a lot without a house on it. Attorney Romano stated that a primary residence was required. The Committee made it clear that it was the City's desire to work with the current property owners to eliminate the existing problems on their individual properties and that the City might be willing to reimburse the registration permit fees if the problems were remedied in a prompt manner.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to release the City's \$300.00 mowing lien and waive the City's Demolition Permit Fee concerning the Odell LLC real estate located at 512 East Main Street, Taylorville, IL provided the property owner (Dustin Clark) provides the City with a copy of his purchase contract for such real estate and applies for and obtains a Registration Permit (pursuant to Chapter 4A of the Taylorville City Code) and demolishes the existing building on such real estate and remove all personal property from such building and real estate all in a manner satisfactory to the City by December 31, 2016. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to refund the initial \$300.00 Registration Permit Fee and waive the City's Demolition Permit Fee concerning the William J. and Susan R. Baird real estate located at 1019 West Vandeveer Street, Taylorville, IL provided the property owners apply for and obtain, and pay the initial \$300.00 fee, for a Registration Permit (pursuant to Chapter 4A of the Taylorville City Code) by October 21, 2016 and demolish the existing residential building on such real estate and remove all personal property from such building and real estate all in a manner satisfactory to the City by a date certain that is acceptable to the City, but no later than December 31, 2016. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to refund the initial \$300.00 Registration Permit Fee and waive the City's Demolition Permit Fee and water tapping fee for reconnecting the water line after demolition is completed now situated under the residential building concerning the Jerry R. Erhardt real estate located at 1101 Springfield Road, Taylorville, IL provided the property owners apply for and obtain, and pay the initial \$300.00 fee, for a Registration Permit (pursuant to Chapter 4A of the Taylorville City Code) by October 21, 2016 and demolish the existing residential building on such real estate and remove all personal property from such building and real estate all in a manner satisfactory to the City by a date certain that is acceptable to the City, but no later than December 31, 2016. Motion carried 4-0.

The Committee members expressed their sincere gratitude and thanks to the foregoing property owners for their cooperation in resolving these matters.

#### **Remodeling Permits**

Chairman Jones informed the Committee that Alderman Dorchinecz had requested the Committee to look into the creation of a remodeling permit that could help reduce the number of properties where an exterior remodeling project is started but is never finished. Mayor Brotherton passed around photographs of three properties located within the City where siding had been removed but not replaced. Alderman Dorchinecz suggested that the City consider creating an ordinance mandating a remodeling permit that would require posting a performance bond of some type that would ensure that the project would be completed. Attorney Romano shared his thoughts stating that he did not feel that the City could mandate a performance bond but that it could possibly create an ordinance with penalties for the owners of properties who now have properties that may not be in compliance with existing building codes because they have not completed a project.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance establishing a building remodeling permit requirement and administrative implementation procedure together with fines and penalties for non-compliance. Motion carried 4-0.

#### Liquor and/or Video Gaming Ordinances

The Committee discussed many alternatives and amendments to the gaming ordinances after the Aldermen, Mayor, City Attorney, and the public who attended the meeting expressed their views.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to adopt the proposed Ordinance amending Sections 3-3-1, 3-3-4, 3-3-5, and 3-15-2 of the Taylorville City Code pertaining to Video Gaming and Liquor License Classifications with the revisions discussed during the Ordinance Committee Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

# **HBO** Updates

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

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:11 P.M.

November 16, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Jones George Calvert Owen Lasswell Police Chief Hile Alderman Vota Chris Biondolino Alderman Burtle Alderman Olive Jim & Kathy Lindsey Amery Gardner Alderman Budd Alderman Heberling Mark Durham Mayor Brotherton Alderman Walters Attorney Romano Billie Heberling

Cindy Dey Bruce Barry

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 8:31 P.M.

# Class A Liquor License in Downtown Area Establishments

Mr. Chris Biondolino addressed the Committee and expressed his interest in having Section 3-3-4-1 of the City Code amended to allow for an additional Class A-1 Liquor License in the downtown area. He distributed several pictures depicting what the building that he owns on the north side 100 block of West Main Cross Street originally looked like. He stated that he would like to do some renovation to the building that would restore its original appearance. He advised that this would be economically unfeasible unless he could get a liquor license that allowed for gaming. He also pointed out that members of the City Council have been willing to work with others who have presented plans for new business ventures on the Square and stated that he would appreciate similar consideration.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Vota to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to amend the Taylorville City Code regarding the number of downtown liquor licenses. Motion carried 3-1.

Alderman Vota left at 9:14 P.M.

## Liquor and/or Video Gaming Ordinances

The Committee again discussed the proposed Ordinance regarding Liquor Licenses and Video Gaming. The proposed Ordinance failed at the October 17, 2016 City Council Meeting.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Jones to recommend to the City Council to adopt the proposed Ordinance amending Sections 3-3-1, 3-3-4, 3-3-5, 3-15-2 and 3-3-4-1 of the Taylorville City Code pertaining to Video Gaming and Liquor License Classifications with the revisions discussed during the Ordinance Committee Meeting. Motion carried 2-1.

#### Ordinance Regarding Cannabis

The Committee reviewed the Village of Edinburg's Ordinance regarding Cannabis.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance adding Section 5-4-7 to Chapter 4 of Title 5 of the Taylorville City Code mirroring the Village of Edinburg's Ordinance regarding Cannabis. Motion carried 3-0.

## Drug Overdose Response Policy for City's Police & Fire Departments

The Committee reviewed the Village of Edinburg's Resolution regarding the Police Department Drug Overdose Response Policy.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded to Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to further review the proposed Drug Overdose Response Policy subject to further input from the Police Chief and the Fire Chief. Motion carried 3-0.

# **Travel Expense Policy**

The Committee reviewed the draft Ordinance regarding a Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy as prepared by the City Attorney and will continue discussions at the next Ordinance Committee Meeting.

# Ordinance Regarding Remodeling & Building Permits

The Committee reviewed the draft Ordinance regarding Building Permits, as prepared by the City Attorney.

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to recommend to the City Council to direct the City Attorney to revise the proposed Ordinance amending Subparagraph E.1. of Section 4-4a-2, and Sections 9-1-1, 9-1-7, 10-2-9, 10-9-3, 10-9-7, and 10-9-8 of the Taylorville City Code (Re: Building Permits) as initially prepared by the City Attorney to omit any fee for a building permit concerning the subject repair or remodeling projects and to provide for applicable six-month time periods to complete such repair and remodeling projects, and to prepare the requisite statutory Public Hearing Notice concerning such ordinance. Motion carried 3-0.

# Ordinance Violations Assessment of Court Cost Forms

The Committee will review and continue discussions regarding the Violations Assessment of Court Cost Forms at the next Ordinance Committee Meeting.

# **HBO** Updates

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

Motion by Alderman Burtle and seconded by Alderman Budd to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

# ORDINANCE COMMITTEE December 19, 2016

MEMBERS ALSO PRESENT

Chairman Jones Alderman Dorchinecz Tim Calvert Alderman Vota Ray Koonce Alderman Olive Alderman Burtle Alderman Heberling Terry Wright Kellie Hamell Alderman Budd Alderman Walters Attorney Romano Mayor Brotherton Mark Durham Pam Peabody Billie Heberling

Dave Speagle Bruce Barry
Kurt Zeitler

Buz Besson
Julie Lilly

Sean Fairclough

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

#### Travel Expense Policy

The Committee reviewed an updated draft policy regarding a Travel Expense Reimbursement that needs to be approved at this meeting to meet the January 1, 2017 State deadline. Discussion was held on what to fill in on the blanks City Attorney Romano had left in the policy.

Motion by Alderman Budd and seconded by Alderman Burtle to recommend to the City Council to approve the Travel, Meal and Lodging Expense Reimbursement Policy with changes regarding insurance on using personal vehicles, the dollar amounts for meal expenses and lodging expenses, and to direct the City Attorney to make the changes in the policy. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Alderman Vota and seconded by Alderman Burtle to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 P.M.