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The City of Eureka Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call were: Mayor Coffey, Aldermen Kee, Britt, Sir, Berry, Beckerle and Leistner. Also in attendance were City Administrator Craig Sabo, City Attorney Kathy Butler, Police Chief Michael Wiegand and City Clerk Ralph Lindsey.

2. MINUTES

Mayor Coffey directed the Board to an amended Page 3 - Item No. 11, with the change identified. On motion by Alderman Leistner, seconded by Alderman Kee and unanimously passed, the Minutes of December 20, 2011 were approved, as amended.

3. GUESTS

There were no guests present who wished to address the Board.

4. SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION

A. Maegahn Brown and Shawn Archambault, representing the KMA Association - Kickball Tournament - Legion and Lions Park Amenities - July 21, 2012.

Shawn Archambault explained that they had a similar fundraising event in 2011 which was very successful. He said that one of the purposes was to raise money to assist with road changes to Highway FF.

Shawn Archambault said the July 21st date was not good for all the volunteers who would be involved and they would prefer either August 18th or 25th. He said that if necessary they could accept using fewer fields due to other park reservations.

The City Attorney commented that the issue before the Board was if they wished to allow the event and waive the rental fees.

Following a brief general discussion, on motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the Board approved the event, with the fees waived, on a date to be determined by Parks and Recreation Director Missy Rathmann. The insurance requirements as identified on the Special Event Permit Application must be provided to the City.

5. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 12-28-11

(The meeting was cancelled; therefore, no Board action is required.)

6. RECURRING BILLS FOR APPROVAL

An amended list of recurring bills paid in December, with the changes identified, was reviewed by the Board.

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Kee and unanimously passed, the amended list of recurring bills was approved and accepted for the record.

7. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

An amended list of bills, with the changes identified, was considered by the Board.

On motion by Alderman Leistner, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, the amended list of bills was approved for payment.

8. CALL FOR CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, a Closed Session was called for discussion of matters relating to personnel and real estate.

9.

Alderman Sir commented about the information in the City Administrator's memo regarding the paving of North Street, and the fact that although the paving will not be complete, the road will be usable for the winter.

Mayor Coffey also commented about the additional duties which the City Administrator has assumed, because of the fact that the City is without a Public Works Director.

10.

Aldermen Kee and Leistner said they had both received calls from Marymount Manor requesting an additional streetlight near the intersection of Augustine and Williams Roads. They both said they would look into the matter since it appeared there was adequate lighting, if all of the streetlights in the area were working.

Chief Wiegand said he would check the operation of the existing lights.

11.

Alderman Beckerle informed the Board that O'Dell's Irish Pub had opened but they had not yet received final approval from St. Louis County for their kitchen. As a result, they did not have final approval for occupancy. He would like to allow them to remain open, without the use of their kitchen. There was a consensus of agreement.

On motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, a moratorium on prosecution was approved for thirty (30) days, to allow O'Dell's Irish Pub to remain open, without the use of their kitchen facilities until final occupancy was granted.

(Casey O'Dell arrived at the meeting shortly after the discussion.)

12.

Alderman Berry thanked the City Administrator for the work he had done, to expedite the Forby Road Project, so that the road could be usable through the winter.

13.

Mayor Coffey passed around several complimentary letters which the City received on various activities which were permitted within the last few months and on helpful actions taken by the Police Department with a stranded motorist.

Mayor Coffey also commented that the ribbon cutting for the new St. Louis County Library location would be held on January 10th at 10:30 a.m.

14. CLOSED SESSION

15.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

For a record of the Closed Session at Item No. 14, see Minutes this date in the Closed Session File.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

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Ralph M. Lindsey, Jr., City Clerk