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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

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, the Minutes of December 6, 2011 were approved.

3. GUESTS

A. Daveann Degenhart explained that she and her business partner have been conducting fitness classes at Patriot Self-defense at 30 Thresher Drive. Due to health reasons, the owner is giving up the business and they will be taking over. She requested a moratorium on prosecution while their Special Use Permit was being processed.

On motion by Alderman Kee, seconded by Alderman Beckerle and unanimously passed, a maximum sixty (60) day moratorium on prosecution was approved.

B. Scott Nelson addressed the Board regarding his request for LED signage on his pole sign at the Eureka Rental business (see Minutes 12-6-11-15). He said that due to the location of the business being considerably below the grade of Highway 109, many potential customers do not see his business.

Alderman Beckerle commented that with the previous discussion, the consensus was that if LED signage was permitted on this non-conforming sign, a precedent would be set for other similar requests.

Alderman Britt added that LED signage was permitted on monument signs.

Scott Nelson asked that the Board consider some type of Code amendment to provide for LED signage for his type of location.

City Attorney Kathy Butler stated that the Board had indicated they were not in favor of initiating such a Code amendment but that if he wanted to propose some type of specific signage amendment, the Board was required to consider it.

Mr. Nelson said he was not aware of that and he would work on a proposal for the Board to consider.

4. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 12-14-11
(The meeting was cancelled; therefore, no Board action is required.)

5. BILL NO. 2305 RE: AUTHORIZING ESA CONTRACT RENEWAL

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2305 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2305: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ATHLETIC FIELDS LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE EUREKA SPORTS ASSOCIATION.

On motion by Alderman Leistner, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2305 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2305 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Sir moved, THAT BILL NO. 2305 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Berry.

The roll call vote was as follows: Alderman Leistner - YES; Beckerle - YES; Berry - YES; Sir - YES; Britt - YES; Kee - YES.

The motion for adoption was passed unanimously.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2305 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2201.

6. REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS

A. Hyndrich Brothers Towing - Towing services - 18593 U.S. Highway 66.

B. Prestige Pet Grooming - Pet grooming shop - 300 West Fourth Street.

6. CONT'D.

- C. Cricket Communications, Inc. - Additional antennae and equipment at existing cell tower - 803 Top Notch Lane.
- D. Dr. David Hunt - Veterinary clinic - 102 Dreyer.
- E. QuikTrip Corporation - Gasoline service station/convenience store - 290 East Fourth Street.
- F. Voss Properties - Private riding stable - 225 Augustine Road.
- G. Super 8 - Hotel - 1733 West Fifth Street.
- H. Hart Farms - Equestrian stable and arena - 490 Forby Road.
- I. I-44 Truck Center - Towing services - 18515 U.S. Highway 66.

City Administrator Sabo recommended approval of the above listed Special Use Permits.

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, all of the above Special Use Permits were extended for a twelve (12) month period.

These permits will be scheduled for review in December, 2012.

- J. Fifth Street Motors - Display lot for the retail sale of used motor vehicles including activities incidental to this use with the erection of a permanent structure - 520 Abby Lane.

Alderman Britt inquired about the current status of the deadline most recently established for completion of the building.

City Administrator Sabo said that the most recent ninety (90) day extension was due to expire this date and the business license was to then be suspended until the work was completed (see Minutes 9-20-11-4A).

Don Nagle reviewed the work which has been completed to date and said he should be ready for occupancy within three (3) weeks.

The consensus was to grant Mr. Nagle one (1) additional extension and suspend his license if the work was not completed by the end of that period.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, Don Nagle was granted one (1) additional extension to the meeting of 1-17-12. The new building must be approved and occupied by that date and the modular building removed. The asphalt work must also be completed, unless delayed due to inclement weather.

7. REVIEW OF STORAGE CONTAINER/TRAILER PERMIT

- A. Butler Electrical Contracting Co., Inc. - Four (4) storage containers - 200 South Central Avenue.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the permit was extended for a twelve (12) month period.

This permit will be scheduled for review in December, 2012.

8. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The list of bills was considered by the Board.

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

9. STATEMENT OF FINANCES - NOVEMBER 30, 2011

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, the Board of Aldermen acknowledged receipt of the financial statements for the period ending 11-30-11.

10. CALL FOR CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Alderman Kee, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, a Closed Session was called for discussion of matters relating to attorney-client privilege, litigation and real estate.

11.

Alderman Britt related that The Legends and Legends South trustees were given the street sign inventory and both organizations planned to respond within thirty (30) days (see Minutes 10-4-11-14).

Alderman Britt inquired about the schedule for construction of the trail from The Legends to Geggie School.

The City Administrator said he did not yet have a schedule but it should be completed within the next calendar year.

11. CONT'D.

Mayor Coffey commented that Federal and State approval was required ~~but he hoped it could be constructed by the start of the next school year~~ for the trail from Legion Park to Route 66 State Park because it was being partially funded with a grant, but he hoped the trail/sidewalk from The Legends to Geggie School could be constructed by the start of the next school year.

Alderman Britt also said that he had received a number of positive comments about the work done on Legends Parkway between Highway 109 and Bald Hill Road.

12.

Alderman Sir reported that the section of the Forby Road Project, from Price Memorial Nursing Home to Berry Park, was open to traffic but there were no signs.

City Administrator Sabo said signs would be erected in the next couple of days.

13.

Mayor Coffey commented about the information from the Municipal Park Grant Commission of St. Louis County and the recent award of \$232,000.00 to Eureka, for the Lions Park restroom and concession stand project.

14. CLOSED SESSION

15.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 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)

Ralph M. Lindsey, Jr., City Clerk