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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 Murray. 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 Sir and unanimously passed, the Minutes of April 21, 2015 were approved.

3. GUESTS

A. Jacob Keisey introduced himself as a Boy Scout in Troop 322 who was in attendance as one of the requirements for the Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge and the Communications Merit Badge.

B. E.R. Sutter addressed the Mayor and Board and requested a moratorium on prosecution while his Special Use Permit petition was being processed for a recreational use in an M-2 Zoning District, on Bald Hill Road.

On motion by Alderman Kee, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, the moratorium on prosecution was approved.

4. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION FROM 4/29/15

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

5. SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION

An application was received from RE/MAX Tri-County for permission to hold a Wiffle Ball Tournament in Berry Park on June 27th.

Sharon Patton explained that it would be a one (1) day single elimination tournament to benefit the Children's Miracle Network in St. Louis. They hope to have eighty (80) teams and everything would be conducted on one (1) field, which they will set up. They have also reserved the large pavilion. City Attorney Butler commented that parking could be an issue with that many teams. Chief Wiegand also expressed a similar concern.

It was suggested to Sharon Patton that she contact the Rockwood School District about obtaining permission to park vehicles at Eureka High School.

On motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the Special Event was approved.

6. PROCLAMATION - EMS WEEK

City Attorney Butler read a proclamation of support for the week of May 17th - 23rd as Eureka Emergency Medical Services week.

7. PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

City Attorney Butler read a proclamation in support of May 15th as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and the week in which May 15th falls as National Police Week.

Mayor Coffey then presented the proclamation to Police Chief Wiegand.

8. RECURRING BILLS FOR APPROVAL

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

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

9. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The list of bills was considered by the Board.

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

10. CALL FOR CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, a Closed Session was called for discussion of matters relating to attorney-client privilege, contracts, litigation and public safety.

11.

Alderman Britt commented that the Mardi Growl banner was still hanging across South Central Avenue and, due to the cost of renting the equipment to put the banners up and take them down, the City might want to price the cost of purchasing a mechanical lift.

Alderman Britt inquired as to if there was a time frame for the construction of the parking lot on the MoDOT property along Thresher Drive; City Administrator Sabo said there was not.

12.

Alderman Berry reported that there was some water seepage through the retaining wall on Forby Road.

The City Administrator stated staff was evaluating the issue.

Alderman Berry also commented that, as the Lions Club had done, the City should encourage local civic groups to participate in City improvement projects.

13.

There was a brief general discussion about the flag pole on South Central Avenue without a flag. The City Administrator said he would look into the ownership and, if it was the City's, he would get a U.S. Flag on the pole.

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

16. COFFEY PARK PAVILION RENTALS

City Administrator Sabo referred to the memo from Kristin Christenson and inquired as to if the Board was in agreement with the revised rental proposal (see Minutes 4-21-15-17); there was unanimous consensus of approval.

17.

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)

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Ralph M. Lindsey, Jr., City Clerk