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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 Leistner, 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 Britt and unanimously passed, the Minutes of August 16, 2016 were approved.

3. GUESTS

A. Tom Davis, representing Six Flags St. Louis, submitted their 2016 Bowhunting Rules and Regulations and the list of individuals approved for bowhunting on Six Flags' property. He said the regulations were the same as in 2015.

Mr. Davis said they eliminated one "hunting zone" due to the sale of property to McBride.

City Administrator Sabo commented that in the future the material should be submitted prior to the Aldermanic meeting.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, the list of individuals was approved for bowhunting on Six Flags' property.

4. EUREKA POLICE DEPARTMENT CERTIFICATION PRESENTATION

Police Chief Wiegand introduced Sheldon Lineback, the Executive Director of the Missouri Police Chiefs' Association. He briefly explained the process for certification, which he said was started in 2011 and recognized Lieutenant Wilson and Sergeants McColl and Wille who spent a considerable amount of time working towards the certification.

Sheldon Lineback reviewed what the Eureka Police Department was required to do and then presented the certification to Chief Wiegand, recognizing the Eureka Police Department as a State Certified Law Enforcement Agency.

5. CORNER LOT FRONT YARD FENCE APPLICATION

An application was received from Kirsten Cody and Chris Moersch for a corner lot front yard fence at 350 Hunters Heights Drive.

Alderman Beckerle asked if any comments had been received from the adjoining property owners; City Administrator Sabo said there were none.

On motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, the corner lot front yard fence was approved.

6. DRIVEWAY EXTENSION APPLICATION

An application was received from Connie Connon for a driveway extension at 632 North Central Avenue.

Mike Connon spoke on behalf of his mother and explained that the area in question was previously graveled and had grown up in weeds. The area was cleared and regraveled and they wished to expand the driveway and pave it.

City Administrator Sabo said that no comments were received from the adjoining property owners.

On motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, the driveway extension was approved.

7. SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

A. Realty Executives Premiere - Trunk or Treat - 54 The Legends Parkway - October 29th.

Chuck Maher was in attendance and stated that the event would be the same as was held in 2015.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, the Special Event was approved.

B. Red Door Liquor and Cigars - Charity Event - 115 South Central Avenue - September 17th.

Karen Bopp explained that the event would be held on their back parking lot and was a charity event for "Puppies for Parole".

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

7. CONT'D.

C. Sarah's Cake Shop - Red Carpet on Central Event - 127 South Central Avenue - September 22nd. Karen Bopp explained that this was a "Women's Night Out" with a fashion show and Red Door Liquor would be providing beverages.

City Attorney Butler asked about the red carpet which would be on the sidewalk in front of Sarah's Cake Shop.

Jill Umbarger said the carpet would only be out for a short time for taking pictures and they would not block the sidewalk.

Jill Umbarger inquired about Sarah's Cake Shop having other events and what triggered the need for a Special Event Permit.

City Attorney Butler explained that a Special Event Permit could be required if any public property was to be used as part of the event or there was a much larger than normal number of customers or there was an activity not customary to the business.

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

8. TEMPORARY CATERER'S PERMIT

Red Door Liquor and Cigars - Red Carpet on Central Event - 127 South Central Avenue - September 22nd.

On motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the Temporary Caterer's Permit was approved.

9. PROCLAMATION - DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Kathy Butler read a proclamation in support of September 17th - 23rd as the United States Constitution Week.

10. MISSOURI CLEAN ENERGY DISTRICT PROGRAM

David Jackson, representing Renovate America, explained that the program began in 2010 through State Legislation. The program provides a means for homeowners and business owners to purchase more energy efficient products without a down payment, which is paid as part of their property tax at an interest rate between six (6) and eight (8) percent. Mr. Jackson explained that the homeowner must have at least ten (10) percent equity in the property and the loan can not exceed the life expectancy of the product.

There is an approved contractor list for the products and local contractors who have not yet been approved can apply for the program. If a resident prefers a particular contractor, the Missouri Clean Energy District will work to get that contractor approved.

Mr. Jackson said that no contractor is paid until the project is completed and signed off by the customer.

City Attorney Butler asked if it was correct that there was no cost to the City to join the program; David Jackson said that was correct. He added that financing was handled through the municipal bond market and banks and could not affect the bonding capability of the City.

Alderman Britt inquired as to how complaints were handled.

David Jackson said the organization regularly investigates any complaints and reviews the contractor list.

David Jackson concluded by naming the municipalities in St. Louis County that have passed the required ordinance to join the Missouri Clean Energy District. He also said that Franklin County had joined and several cities in St. Charles County.

The consensus was to place the authorizing bill on the agenda for the 9-20-16 Aldermanic meeting. (A copy of the program information document is in file.)

11. ST. LOUIS LIVE STEAMERS

Joel Pittenger referred to the information in the Board packets regarding their plans for improving the safety of the passenger loading and unloading areas for their miniature train operation in Kircher Park.

Following a brief presentation of the proposed work by Joel Pittenger, on motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, the project was approved.

12. MCBRIDE HOMES - PROPOSED SIGNAGE REGULATION AMENDMENTS

City Attorney Butler stated that the matter would be discussed in Closed Session after the presentation.

McBride's General Counsel Jeannie Aumiller and Project Manager Jeff Lewis were in attendance to present the Sign Code Amendments to accommodate The Arbors of Rockwood development. Information was distributed on their proposed signage, the development entry monument and the locations for the proposed signage.

Jeannie Aumiller explained that the four (4) foot by four (4) foot directional sign and the two (2) foot by two (2) foot "bandit" signs (also directional) would be located off-site. The eight (8) foot by eight (8) foot construction information/advertising sign would be on-site. She also explained that they were proposing two (2) fourteen (14) foot tall entry monuments which would require a Code amendment (currently limited to ten (10) feet). The entry monuments would be lighted and landscaped and be located on common ground.

Jeff Lewis commented that the bandit signs would be erected late on Fridays and removed on Sundays.

Alderman Beckerle inquired as to if the signs were one (1) or two (2) sided; Jeff Lewis said they would be one (1) sided.

There being no further discussion, the presentation was concluded.

13. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION FROM 8-24-16

A. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Brewster Road, LLC for a subdivision of land of approximately 101 acres located at 501 and 555 Brewster Road, 108 Workman Court and 4900 Six Flags Road to be known as The Arbors of Rockwood.

(For Board action see Item No. 14.)

14. BILL NO. 2498 RE: THE ARBORS OF ROCKWOOD - PLAT 1

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2498 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2498: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ARBORS OF ROCKWOOD PLAT 1 FINAL PLAT.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2498 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2498 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Britt moved, THAT BILL NO. 2498 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Leistner.

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

The motion for adoption was passed unanimously.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2498 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2386.

15. BILL NO. 2499 RE: HARBORING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2499 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2499: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE HARBORING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2499 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2499 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Leistner moved, THAT BILL NO. 2499 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Berry.

The roll call vote was as follows: Alderman Sir - YES; Britt - YES; Leistner - YES; Murray - NO; Beckerle - YES; Berry - YES.

The motion for adoption passed with 5 "YES" votes and 1 "NO" vote.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2499 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2387.

16. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The list of bills was considered by the Board.

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

17. 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 attorney-client privilege, contracts, potential litigation and public safety.

18.

Alderman Britt commented that he knew Chief Wiegand frequently spoke to MoDOT about various issues. One matter that is becoming a problem is the rush hour traffic on southbound Highway 109. He said he was aware of the fact that part of the problem was caused by the temporary closing of the I-44 exit at Antire Road but also increased residential development is creating additional traffic. MoDOT should be developing plans to address the situation.

19. FOOD TRUCKS

Alderman Britt said he would like the Board to consider allowing food trucks at special events other than just City events.

Following a brief discussion, there was general consensus that food trucks should be permitted at a limited number of private events per year per business and that applications be made to the City to ensure that any sales tax generated is credited to the City.

City Administrator Sabo will draft a bill for consideration.

20.

Alderman Sir commented about the tree trimming being done on the north side of Forby Road between Meramec Blvd. and the Clifty Creek bridge which is part of the road project. He was told that it was necessary so that the contractor's equipment could excavate for the storm sewer and move the pipe into its location. He said the trimming seemed excessive and may kill some of the trees. City Administrator Sabo said he would speak to the contractor.

Alderman Sir asked that the City stay in contact with Charles Karam about grass cutting and bush trimming/removal on The Shoppes at Hilltop property and the median on Meramec Blvd.

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Alderman Beckerle asked that MoDOT be contacted about grass cutting and fence maintenance on their property.

22.

Mayor Coffey informed the Board that a town hall meeting would be held on October 25th at The Timbers Recreation Center.

23. CLOSED SESSION

24. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

25.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

For a record of the Closed Session at Item No. 24, see Minutes this date in the Closed Session File.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

Ralph M. Lindsey, Jr., City Clerk