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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 Beckerle and unanimously passed, the Minutes of September 20, 2016 were approved.

3. GUESTS

A. Chad Raley addressed the Mayor and Board regarding his request to hold a Police Fundraiser BBQ on October 29th at the Lions Park cul-de-sac. They would want to set up their smokers on October 28th in preparation for the event. He anticipated needing a Special Event Permit from the City and a temporary St. Louis County food license and also may need to contact the Eureka Parks Department.

City Administrator Sabo asked Mr. Raley to contact him the next day to discuss the matter further and their application could be put on the Aldermanic agenda for October 18th.

B. Dale Hicks addressed the Mayor and Board regarding the Weber Hill residential development on West North Street. He said he placed a development sign on a public right-of-way on the weekend and the following week received a letter from Building Commissioner Boggs regarding the illegal sign.

Mr. Hicks also referred to the signs which McBride has placed on public rights-of-way.

City Attorney Butler commented that the Building Department would only act on complaints received regarding weekend signs since the Building Department worked Monday through Friday; however, any development sign placed on a City right-of-way was illegal.

Dale Hicks said he contacted MoDOT and was told they have no provisions for such signs but they do not check for signs on their rights-of-way on the weekends.

Kathy Butler also commented that the State destroys any signs they pick up but the City does not.

C. Drasthi and Ajay Patel, of 828 Spring Cove Court, addressed the Mayor and Board regarding the proposed pre-wedding celebration on October 27th. They explained that they received approval from The Legends Homeowners Association to erect a tent on The Legends South tennis courts and had recently learned that they needed a Special Event Permit from the City. They said there would be approximately 250 people in attendance and they planned to have music. The event would be from 6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Mrs. Patel said there would be shuttle service from the hotel for out-of-town guests and valet service for people who drive and park at The Legends clubhouse.

City Attorney Butler explained that, as part of the Special Event Permit process, they would need Certificates of Insurance for the City and The Legends Homeowners Association with each being named as "additional insured parties". There would also be permit requirements from St. Louis County for the erection of the tent and Insurance Certificates should be required from them as well. Following a brief general discussion, there was consensus that the music should stop at 10:00 p.m. Alderman Sir suggested that the valet service also provide a Certificate of Insurance with the City names as an "additional insured party".

With the discussion concluded, on motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, the Special Event Permit was approved with the conditions identified above.

4. TOM RUTZ - BOWHUNTING REQUEST

A request was received from Tom Rutz for permission to bowhunt for the 2016-17 Season on ten (10) acres on Workman Road owned by the Rutz family.

Tom Rutz referred to his site plan and said they would hunt more towards the Six Flags property than the McBride residential development property.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the bowhunting request was approved.

5. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 9-28-16

A. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Jennifer Oppel, representing Prestige Pet Grooming, for a Special Use Permit for a pet grooming facility at 1329 West Fifth Street. Jennifer Oppel was in attendance regarding the application.

There being no questions from the Mayor or Board, on motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, the Special Use Permit was approved.

This permit will be scheduled for review in October, 2017.

B. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Blake Hutchcraft and Ryan Beile, representing Scoreboard Automotive Sales and Leasing, for a Special Use Permit for a motor vehicle sales display lot at 527 North Central Avenue.

Blake Hutchcraft referred to his application and the revised vehicle display layout, as per the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

There was a general discussion regarding the number of vehicles that could be displayed.

The City Administrator suggested not placing a maximum number on the vehicles to be displayed but rather let the business owners make that decision for the areas depicted on the site plan but they must be single stacked. The customer parking would be as shown.

There was also a brief discussion regarding the little monster trucks business owned by Blake Hutchcraft and the concern about displaying them, which could be a distraction for vehicles passing the property.

Blake Hutchcraft said that if he wished to display any of his little monster trucks, he would apply for a Special Event Permit.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, the Special Use Permit was approved as per the suggestion of the City Administrator and also to allow overflow parking of vehicles in the rear of the building.

This permit will be scheduled for review in October, 2017.

6. BILL NO. 2503 RE: CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING FOOD TRUCKS

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Beckerle and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2503 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2503: AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION OF FOOD TRUCKS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

On motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2503 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Beckerle and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2503 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Britt moved, THAT BILL NO. 2503 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Murray.

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. 2503 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2391.

7. BILL NO. 2504 RE: CONTRACT RENEWAL - SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2504 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2504: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2504 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2504 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Leistner moved, THAT BILL NO. 2504 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Britt.

7. CONT'D.

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

The motion for adoption was passed unanimously.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2504 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2392.

8. BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The list of bills was considered by the Board.

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

9. CALL FOR CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, a Closed Session was called for discussion of matters relating to potential litigation and public safety.

10.

Mayor Coffey expressed concern about the work which Laclede Gas was doing along the street rights-of-way, especially Meramec Blvd., and asked that staff periodically check the streets, sidewalks and grassy areas to ensure that they have been properly restored.

11. SOCCER FIELD DEVELOPMENT

Alderman Beckerle inquired about the status of the soccer field development on Williams Road.

Mayor Coffey said they were doing some preliminary grading. The plan is to construct one (1) indoor soccer field and possibly seven (7) outdoor fields.

The City Administrator said there was no current time frame as to when the development proposal would come before the Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Aldermen.

12. BERRY PARK

Alderman Britt asked if there have been any issues with the use of Berry Park since the passage of the ordinance prohibiting organized sports activity within the park (see Minutes 8-16-16-6).

Police Chief Wiegand said that signs were posted and to date there were no incidents.

13. CLOSED SESSION

14. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

15.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

For a record of the Closed Session at Item No. 13, see Minutes this date in the Closed Session File.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

Ralph M. Lindsey, Jr., City Clerk