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The City of Eureka Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 7:02 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 Murray and unanimously passed, the Minutes of September 6, 2016 were approved.

3. GUESTS

A. Jeannie Aumiller and Jeff Lewis were in attendance on behalf of McBride and Son Homes. Jeannie Aumiller commented about the bill pertaining to their request for a Code Amendment regarding signage (see Minutes 9-6-16-12) and the apparent opposition to off-site signage. She asked the Board to consider their request, as this would help sell the development and benefit the City.

Jeff Lewis inquired as to what the Board might consider, if there was a limitation on the number of off-site signs. He also commented that their visibility was limited due to the fact that the development was off of West Fifth Street behind a commercial area.

City Attorney Butler said the matter would be discussed in Closed Session.

B. Delores Sax, of 108 Elk Run Drive, commented that she has traveled to many states and has seen numerous sites that recognize the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces. She would like to see something done in Eureka to recognize the local veterans.

Mayor Coffey said there was a Veterans Memorial Garden in Legion Park but the City could consider something more and get some input from the Parks Department.

4. BOWHUNTING REQUESTS

A. Tom Rosemann referred to his request to permit bowhunting on his property, which is twenty-three (23) acres along Brewster Road, for the seven (7) individuals listed on his request, for the 2016-17 Season.

Alderman Beckerle asked if the number of tree stands would be limited to three (3), as depicted on the site map; Tom Rosemann said that was correct.

Tom Rosemann also related that occasionally there were poachers on his property and whenever that happened the Police Department was contacted immediately.

Alderman Sir commented that Dottie Brown lived on Brewster Road and kept track of vehicles that parked along the road and may not have authority to bowhunt. He suggested to Mr. Rosemann that he contact Dottie Brown to let her know who had permission to hunt on his property.

Tom Rosemann said he would contact Dottie Brown.

On motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, the bowhunting request was approved.

B. Alderman Britt related that he was asked by Mayor Coffey to request permission for Steve Coffey and Richard Hutter to bowhunt on the Mayor's property for the 2016-17 Season (10 acres on the north side of Old Highway 66 on Fox Creek Forest Drive).

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, the bowhunting request was approved.

5. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 9-14-16

A. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Glenn Travers, representing Travers AutoPlex and RV, Inc., for an amended Special Use Permit for the inclusion of a 1,000 gallon propane dispensing tank located at 18449 U.S. Highway 66.

There being no questions or comments from the Board, on motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, the amended Special Use Permit was approved.

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

B. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Bob Moore, representing Earthbound Recycling, for an amended Special Use Permit for the erection of a steel canopy located at 25 Truitt Drive.

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Bob Moore was asked where the canopy would be located. He said it would cover the existing cardboard compacting unit.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the amended Special Use Permit was approved.

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

C. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from John Paul Quick for an amended Special Use Permit to authorize certain commercial activities within the Victorian Gardens facility located at 15 Hilltop Village Center Drive.

Following a general Aldermanic discussion, on motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, the amended Special Use Permit was approved with the condition recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission that there be no charge for the use of the overnight guest room.

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

6. BILL NO. 2500 RE: ESTABLISHING THE 2016 PROPERTY TAX RATES

An amended bill was provided to the Board, with a revised commercial tax rate of \$0.4090 rather than \$0.4100.

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Beckerle and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2500 was read for the first time by short title, as amended.

BILL NO. 2500: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL TAX RATE OF TAX LEVY FOR THE YEAR 2016 FOR ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF EUREKA.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2500 was read for the second time by short title, as amended.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2500 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Leistner moved, THAT BILL NO. 2500 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Britt.

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

The motion for adoption was passed unanimously.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2500 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2388.

7. BILL NO. 2501 RE: AUTHORIZATION TO JOIN THE MISSOURI CLEAN ENERGY DISTRICT

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2501 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2501: AN ORDINANCE TO ENABLE THE CITY OF EUREKA, MISSOURI TO JOIN THE MISSOURI CLEAN ENERGY DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTION 67.2800 to 67.2835 INCLUSIVE RSMO, THE "PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY ACT", AND STATING THE TERMS UNDER WHICH THE CITY WILL CONDUCT ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CITY AS A MEMBER OF SUCH DISTRICT.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2501 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Britt, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2501 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Murray moved, THAT BILL NO. 2501 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; Britt - YES; Sir - YES; Berry - YES; Beckerle - YES; Murray - YES.

The motion for adoption was passed unanimously.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2501 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2389.

8. BILL NO. 2502 RE: CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING SIGNAGE

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2502 was read for the first time by short title.

8. CONT'D.

BILL NO. 2502: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SIGNAGE REGULATIONS.

On motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Berry and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2502 was read for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2502 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Sir moved, THAT BILL NO. 2502 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Britt.

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

The motion for adoption was passed unanimously.

Mayor Coffey declared Bill No. 2502 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2390.

9. REVIEW OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS

A. Boland Service, Inc. - Automotive oil and lube center/car wash facility - 255 Sommer Lane.

B. Gary Borrer - Apartment on property located at 216 North Central Avenue to be used primarily for commercial purposes.

C. Eureka Veterinary Clinic - Animal hospital and related veterinarian services - 1415 West Fifth Street.

D. Mid-America Truck Tops - Camper top business with outdoor storage and display of merchandise, material and equipment associated with the sale of camper tops, display and sale of motorcycles, scooters, utility trailers and golf carts - 501 Howerton Lane.

E. St. Louis Bread Company - Restaurant with a drive-through component - 201 East Fifth Street.

F. Commerce Bank - Bank with a drive-through ATM component - 203 East Fifth Street.

G. Red Door Liquor - Retail sale of alcoholic beverages not in conjunction with a restaurant, cafeteria or supermarket, with a residential use ancillary to a principal commercial use and every class of liquor by the drink for vendor sponsored tasting events, and select private and City events - 115 South Central Avenue.

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

These permits will be scheduled for review in September, 2017.

10. RECURRING BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Alderman Sir asked if the Barbeque Blast expenses exceeded what was budgeted.

Mayor Coffey said the total spent was within the budgeted amount.

Alderman Sir referred to the Community Center flood expenses and inquired as to if they were all reimbursed.

City Administrator Sabo said that all of the expenses were not reimbursed; some of them were enhancements or necessary to meet current Code requirements.

With the discussion completed, on motion by Alderman Beckerle, seconded by Alderman Britt and unanimously passed, the recurring list of bills was approved and accepted for the record.

11. BILLS FOR PAYMENTS

The list of bills was considered by the Board.

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

12. STATEMENT OF FINANCES - AUGUST 31, 2016

On motion by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Leistner and unanimously passed, the Board of Aldermen acknowledged receipt of the financial statements for the period ending 8-31-16.

13. 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, public safety and real estate.

14. LACLEDE GAS REGULATOR STATION

Alderman Berry inquired about the work which was being done on Meramec Blvd. by Laclede Gas Company.

Mayor Coffey said that the Hilltop Subdivision Association and Laclede Gas had reached an agreement for a long-term lease for their regulator station and will be located on subdivision common ground.

15.

Aldermen Berry and Sir both expressed concern for the tree trimming being done by Laclede Gas on Meramec Blvd., which appears to be excessive.

Alderman Berry inquired about the trimming of the bushes in the median on Meramec Blvd.

Mayor Coffey said that he, Alderman Sir and Building Commissioner Boggs met with Charles Karam and agreed to have the bushes trimmed and some removed to provide open spaces for better traffic sight.

16.

Alderman Murray asked about the status of having the small liquor bottle displays at local retail establishments moved to a more protected location (see Minutes 8-16-16-14).

Chief Wiegand said that Jennifer Werges spoke to the Schnucks Manager. They take a daily inventory and lose less than ten (10) bottles per week and didn't seem interested in moving their display.

Alderman Murray inquired about when the City may hear back about the Trail Grant Application. Mayor Coffey said it may be the end of the year before anything is known.

17.

Alderman Britt commented about the amount of traffic on Highway 109 and the need for a traffic signal at Highways 109 and W.

Police Chief Wiegand said he has spoken to the St. Louis County MoDOT Engineer for this area and she referred him to the Jefferson County MoDOT Area Engineer.

18. CLOSED SESSION

19. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

20. CELL TOWER PROPOSAL

Following a brief Closed Session discussion, there was unanimous consensus to grant a ninety (90) day moratorium for consideration of a proposed cell tower near Six Flags-St. Louis.

21. SOUTH FOX CREEK LANE SIGNAGE

Following a brief Closed Session discussion, there was consensus to have a sign erected on South Fox Creek Lane informing drivers that South Fox Creek Lane provided no access to the KOA Campground.

22.

Following a brief Closed Session discussion, the consensus was to locate a stop sign on Hilltop Terrace Drive at Hilltop Ridge Drive.

23.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

For a record of the Closed Session at Item No. 18, see Minutes this date in the Closed Session File.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

Ralph M. Lindsey, Jr., City Clerk