

**CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, August 25, 2014 6 p.m.
AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: August 28, 2014

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

Planning – Pos. 1 – Steve Beacham – expired 7/1/14. Pos. 2 – Mickey Schneider (temp.) – expires 1/1/17.

CAPC – Pos. 2 – vacant – expired 6/30/14. Pos. 7 – Charles Ragsdell – expired 6/30/14

Hospital – Pos. 2 – Suzanne Tourtelot – expired 6/1/14

Parks – Pos. 5 – **vote on Joe Fitzsimmons** -- expires 5/1/16

HDC –

Cemetery – Pos. 2 – vacant – expires 2/15/15. Pos. 4 – Henry Romanski – expired 2/15/14.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Update on disposal of yard waste – Ms. Schneider and Mr. Mitchell
2. Ordinance No. 2214 Multi-family – **postponed, pending Planning action**
3. Ordinance No. 2216 Rezoning 44 Kingshighway/old H.S. property – 3rd reading
4. Discussion of fluoride – Ms. Schneider and Ms. Zeller
5. Ordinance for parking zone behind Auditorium – Mr. DeVito and Mr. McClung
6. Update on parking garage workshop – Mr. DeVito and Mr. Mitchell

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Appraisal for two fire stations – **pending scheduling** -- Ms. Schneider and Mr. Mitchell
2. Discussion of Public Works' need for new sewer camera and jetter – Mr. Purkeypile and Mr. Mitchell
3. Discussion about workshop with the CAPC and Chamber of Commerce to improve tourism – Mr. Purkeypile and Mr. Mitchell
4. Discussion of tree cuts – Ms. Schneider and Mr. Mitchell

AGENDA SETTING

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pate called the regular meeting of the Eureka Springs City Council to order at 6 p.m. Monday, August 25, 2014, in the jury room in the Western District Carroll County Courthouse.

PRESENT: Mayor Pate, Aldermen Terry McClung, Mickey Schneider, Dee Purkeypile, James DeVito, Joyce Zeller, David Mitchell, City Attorney Tim Weaver, and City Clerk/Treasurer Ann Armstrong

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Pate led the Pledge.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Mr. DeVito moved to approve. Mr. Purkeypile seconded. Ms. Schneider motioned to postpone Unfinished Business #4 until the next meeting. Mr. DeVito seconded. Ms. Schneider added further discussion of tree cuts. Mr. Mitchell seconded. Mr. McClung postponed New Business #1. Mr. Purkeypile seconded. Mayor Pate called for a vote on the amended agenda.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

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Mr. McClung moved to approve. Mr. Purkeypile seconded.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

Planning – no report

CAPC – Mayor Pate said he was asked to add the name of Dustin Duling for Position 2. Mr. McClung moved to approve. Mr. Purkeypile seconded.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

Hospital – no report

Parks – Ms. Schneider moved to approve the nomination of Joe Fitzsimmons for Position 5. Mr. McClung seconded.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

HDC – no report

Cemetery – no report

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Rachel Brix spoke about free tourism promotion for dog lovers through the widely read *Dog Fancy* magazine and noted Eureka Springs won their 2013 and 2014 awards for Top Five Dog Friendly Towns. Ms. Brix encouraged tapping into other publications. She suggested further consideration of “poop” stations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Update on disposal of yard waste

Mr. Mitchell moved to discuss. Ms. Schneider seconded. Ms. Schneider said she’ll continue efforts to contact two people who may help in permitting the burning of yard waste.

2. Ordinance No. 2214 – Multi-family – postponed, pending Planning action

3. Ordinance No. 2216 Rezoning 44 Kingshighway/old H.S. property – 3rd reading

Mr. Purkeypile moved to discuss. Mr. Mitchell seconded. Mr. DeVito moved to suspend the rules and place Ordinance No. 2216 on its third reading by title only. Mr. McClung seconded. A roll call vote followed.

Motion carried 6/0/0. Ms. Armstrong read the Ordinance title. Mr. DeVito moved to approve Ordinance No. 2216 on its third reading. Ms. Schneider seconded. A roll call vote followed.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

4. Discussion of fluoride

Postponed during approval of the agenda

5. Ordinance for parking zone behind the Auditorium

Ms. Schneider moved to discuss. Mr. Weaver summarized a discussion with Chief Hyatt and (Fire Marshall) Jim Kelley and the understanding that the street is too narrow to allow for any obstruction of the fire lane by adding a zone for even temporary stoppage. Discussion included notification of and assistance from the Police Department and Fire Department for unloading and loading, and the driver being present at all times.

6. Update on parking garage workshop

Mr. DeVito moved to discuss. Mr. Mitchell seconded. Mr. DeVito summarized his review of studies and offered the Southwest Missouri State University feasibility study. He noted the Walton Foundation announced they'll be spending \$300 million in the next five years in Northwest Arkansas and the Delta region. He agreed to email a link about criteria for grants and noted (Eureka Springs) qualifies with downtown revitalization, infrastructure demands, promoting the arts, and promotion of Crystal Bridges. Mr. DeVito moved to add continuing discussion for the next agenda. Mr. Purkeypile seconded.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Appraisal for two fire stations

Postponed during approval of the agenda

2. Discussion of Public Works' need for a new sewer camera and jetter

Mr. Purkeypile moved to discuss. Mr. Mitchell seconded. Mr. Purkeypile spoke about the dilapidated condition of the jetter and noted it generates only about 300 psi while a minimum of 3000 psi is necessary to be effective. He added that the sewer camera is also past repair. Mr. Purkeypile agreed to bring cost estimates to the next meeting and made a motion to do so. Ms. Schneider seconded. Following discussion, a voice vote was taken.

Motion carried 6/0/0.

3. Discussion about workshop with the CAPC and Chamber of Commerce to improve tourism

Mr. Purkeypile motioned to discuss. Mr. Mitchell seconded. Emphasizing it is not to be a finger pointing session, Mr. Purkeypile recommended a workshop to assess the current situation, and develop a plan if it's decided the City is not headed in the right direction with tourism. He moved to set up a workshop as soon as it can reasonably be done. Ms. Zeller seconded. Discussion followed regarding the Chamber, a second meeting that would include business owners, a possible committee, inclusion of a residents' representative, and a possible planning document. Further discussion included establishing goals but not directing marketing and access to the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism 2015 Fall and Winter advertising plan. A motion on having a workshop followed.

Motion carried 5/0/1 with Ms. Schneider voting "Present."

4. Tree trimming

Ms. Schneider moved to discuss. Mr. Mitchell seconded. Ms. Schneider read from page 68 in the Municipal Code book regarding repair of damage created during maintenance, rights of grantees to maintain overhanging growth, and definition and parameters of rights-of-way. Mayor Pate encouraged people to continue forwarding photographs of areas of concern. Ms. Schneider made a motion to have further discussion with the City Attorney's input in regards to steps that can be taken for proper notification to the local people and any other steps or procedures to protect our trees from over manipulation. Mr. Mitchell seconded.

Motion carried 5/1/0 with Mr. Purkeypile voting "No."

AGENDA SETTING:

Mr. DeVito added the adoption of an anti-discrimination ordinance. Mr. Mitchell seconded.

Mr. DeVito added discussion of the Treasurer portion of the Clerk/Treasurer's office. Ms. Schneider seconded.

Mr. McClung added discussion of the hospital and bonding company. Mr. DeVito seconded.

Mr. Purkeypile confirmed continuing discussion of the jetter and camera.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. McClung said he'll speak with the Transit Director about the fountain at the top of Planer Hill that is not working. He noted the light at the top of the road to Black Bass is still out.

Ms. Schneider congratulated her granddaughter for her three blue ribbons at the Washington County Fair.

Ms. Zeller encouraged everyone to view the Utube clip about Eureka Springs produced by David Hager.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

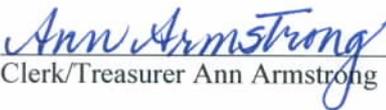
Mayor Pate encouraged everyone to fill out the survey about the hazard mitigation plan for Eureka Springs. He read a list of upcoming Community events.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. DeVito moved to adjourn. Mr. Purkeypile seconded.

Motion carried 6/0/0. The meeting ended at 6:55 p.m.

ATTEST:


Clerk/Treasurer Ann Armstrong

APPROVED:


Mayor Morris Pate