

**CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

MONDAY

AUGUST 24, 2015

Mayor Robert "Butch" Berry called the regular meeting of the Eureka Springs City Council to order at 6 p.m. Monday, August 24, 2015 in the jury room in the Western District Carroll County Courthouse.

PRESENT: Mayor Berry, Aldermen Mickey Schneider, Bob Thomas, Joyce Zeller, Terry McClung, James DeVito, City Attorney Tim Weaver, and City Clerk Treasurer Ann Armstrong

ABSENT: David Mitchell (with notice)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Mayor Berry led the Pledge.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Mr. DeVito moved to approve. Mr. McClung seconded. Mr. DeVito noted the CAPC has not yet taken a vote on Ken Ketelsen's re-nomination. Mr. Thomas added City Council budget updates. Ms. Zeller seconded. Mr. DeVito moved to approve the agenda as amended. Ms. Schneider seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: August 10, 2015

Mr. DeVito moved to approve. Mr. McClung seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

Mayor Berry noted there is still a vacancy in Parks and also in the Cemetery Commission. He encouraged citizens to participate.

Planning – No report

CAPC – Vote on Mr. Ketelsen's re-nomination postponed

Hospital – No report

Parks – No report

HDC – No report

Cemetery – No report

PUBLIC COMMENTS: none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of ordinance re: 2008 and 2010 Bonds – tabled until meeting with bonding company has taken place

2. Update on bids for the Public Works building

Mr. DeVito moved to discuss. Mr. McClung seconded. Mayor Berry indicated when the mechanical and electrical design is complete it will be put out for bids.

3. Date for 3-5:00 p.m. mid-year budget workshop

Mr. Thomas moved to discuss. Ms. Schneider seconded. All agreed to September 21 from 3-5:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2nd quarter financial report

Mr. McClung moved to discuss. Mr. DeVito seconded. Ms. Armstrong provided the bank balances through the end of June as well as payroll, disbursements, receipts and debt service summaries.

2. Discussion of ordinance to update Code re: Alcohol sales

Mr. DeVito moved to discuss. Ms. Zeller seconded. Mr. Thomas noted the Clerk Treasurer and City Attorney prepared a draft ordinance to bring City Code into consistence with State law. He motioned to assign the ordinance a number and place it on its first reading. Mr. DeVito seconded. Ms. Armstrong noted hotels,

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motels and restaurants can now serve alcohol on Sundays from 10 a.m. until midnight. A second change is the inclusion of hours for New Years Eve when it falls on a Sunday. The third change aligns Code with State law in the closure of businesses when taxes are not remitted.

Motion carried 5/0/0. Ms. Armstrong read **ORDINANCE NO. 2229 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 7 SUBSECTION .08 REGARDING THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.**

Brief discussion followed regarding reinstatement of licenses. Mr. DeVito moved to approve Ordinance No. 2229 on its first reading. Mr. McClung seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

3. City Council budget updates

Ms. Zeller moved to discuss. Ms. Schneider seconded. Mr. Thomas suggested a standard addition to the agenda for the first Council meeting of the month that would be a brief budget update from the Mayor.

AGENDA SETTING:

Ms. Zeller added the annual ordinance regarding property taxes. Mr. Thomas seconded.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Ms. Zeller noted her new book is now available in paperback.

Ms. Schneider said there were over 750 registered racers for the Eureka last week. She spoke about the success of the event and encouraged people to come to observe and to volunteer.

Mr. McClung asked about the fountain at the top of Planer Hill. Mayor Berry said there are efforts to locate the plumber who installed it. He will ask Community First if they'd like to participate in repairs of this installation donated to the City.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Berry spoke about the success of the Bluegrass Weekend. He read a list of upcoming events.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. DeVito moved to adjourn. Mr. McClung seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0. The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

ATTEST:


Clerk Treasurer Ann Armstrong

APPROVED:


Mayor Robert "Butch" Berry