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**CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, April 12, 2021
6 p.m.
AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: March 22, 2021**

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

**Planning – Pos. 4 – vacant – expires 7/1/21
CAPC
Hospital -- Pos. 3 – vacant – expires 6/1/25
Parks – Pos. 5 – expires 5/1/21. Susan Hubbard is interested in continuing until
5/1/26. Pos. 7 – vacant – expires 5/1/25
HDC
Cemetery**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 3 minutes per speaker

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of Vision Plan update – Mayor Berry
2. Discussion of having only one alderman suggest an agenda item – Ms. Smole and Mr. Ott
3. Ordinance for face masks – Mayor Berry

**AGENDA SETTING
CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS
MAYOR'S COMMENTS
ADJOURNMENT**

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needed to put an item on the agenda rather than the usual two.

Mr. McClung concurred, noting that when the motion is made to discuss, it would die anyway if no one seconded. It was agreed to continue with the current Monday (a week prior to a meeting) afternoon cutoff for adding items so the complete agenda can be published.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

3. Ordinance for face masks

Mr. Meyer moved to discuss. Ms. Smole seconded.

Mayor Berry spoke about areas where the number of virus cases is going back up, new variants, and some people who are choosing to not get vaccinations.

Following Mr. McClung's question about whether the proposed ordinance had any "teeth," Mayor Berry said it was to give the shop keepers more consideration and a means to have Police Officers educate.

Discussion continued regarding an end date for the ordinance. Mr. Weaver wrote an additional section listing June 30, 2021, unless Council takes further action. He confirmed the ordinance would support shop keepers in curbing trespass.

Ms. Greene moved to assign the ordinance a number, along with the amendment, and read it into passage. Mr. Meyer seconded. Ms. Greene amended by moving to assign a number and read it for its first reading. Mr. Meyer seconded.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Mr. McClung and Ms. Smole voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry.

The Clerk Treasurer read **ORDINANCE NO. 2307 AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS, ARKANSAS REGARDING THE USE OF MASKS IN RELATION TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC; PROVIDING FOR THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Mr. Weaver read the additional section with the sunset clause.

Ms. Greene moved to approve amending the first reading by putting a sunset clause of June 30, 2021, unless further action is taken. Mr. Meyer seconded.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Mr. McClung and Ms. Smole voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry.

Ms. Greene moved to approve Ordinance No. 2307 on its first reading, as amended. Mr. Meyer seconded.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Ms. Smole and Mr. McClung voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry.

Ms. Greene moved to suspend the rules and read Ordinance No. 2307 with the (amendment) for its second reading by title only. Ms. Slane seconded. A roll call vote followed.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Mr. McClung and Ms. Smole voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry. The Ordinance title was read.

Ms. Greene moved to (approve) Ordinance No. 2307 on the second reading, as amended. Mr. Meyer seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Ms. Smole and Mr. McClung voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry.

Ms. Greene moved to suspend the rules and read Ordinance No. 2307 on its third reading by title only, as amended. Mr. Meyer seconded. A roll call vote followed.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Mr. McClung and Ms. Smole voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry. The Ordinance title was read.

Ms. Greene moved to approve Ordinance No. 2307 on its third reading. Ms. Slane seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Mr. McClung and Ms. Smole voting "No" and Mayor Berry adding an "Aye" to carry.

Ms. Greene moved to enact the emergency clause on Ordinance No. 2307. Ms. Slane

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seconded. A roll call vote followed.

Motion carried 4/2/0 with Ms. Smole and Mr. McClung voting “No” and Mayor Berry adding an “Aye” to carry.

The emergency clause was read.

AGENDA SETTING: No new items were added.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Ms. Smole said she was looking forward to moving forward with the Vision Plan as a starting point to make some major moves into the 21st century.

Ms. Greene agreed she was looking forward to discussing the Vision Plan, and called for people to respect one another.

Mr. Meyer spoke of fatigue over the restrictions and added that, with the variants out there, we could still have a surge.

Mr. McClung said he was longing to listen to live music in this beautiful old Auditorium.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS:

Mayor Berry echoed the comments around the table and said he was looking forward to live performances in the Auditorium and in Basin Park. He said the Ordinance was for our own protection and also for visitors’ and thanked Council for passing it.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Mayor said he’d take a motion to adjourn. Ms. Greene moved to adjourn. Mr. McClung seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0. The meeting ended at 6:38 p.m.

ATTEST:



City Clerk Treasurer Ann Armstrong

APPROVED:



Mayor Robert “Butch” Berry