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CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, August 23, 2021 6 p.m. **AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** August 9, 2021

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

Planning – Pos. 7 – vacant – expires 1/1/24 CAPC - Pos. 3 - vacant -- expires 6-30-23 **Hospital** -- Pos. 4 – vacant – expires 6/1/26 Parks – Pos. 7 – vacant – expires 5/1/25

HDC

Cemetery – Pos. 3 – vacant – expires 2-15-24. Application from Judy Holden

PUBLIC COMMENTS: 3 minutes per speaker

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance No. 2309 – Amending Bed & Breakfast – 2nd reading

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Request for new lease at 4 Kingshighway Brian and Tara Richardson
- 2. Ordinance for repairing sidewalks with a limit on exterior building repairs or new construction in the Historic District – Ms. Greene and Mr. Meyer
 - 3. Ordinance re: procedure for removing City commission members Mayor Berry
 - 4. Resolution for lease on City offices in Western District Courthouse Mayor Berry
 - 5. Resolution for parking lot lease Mayor Berry
- 6. Discussion of special meeting for Auditorium basement and Public Works building -Mayor Berry
 - 7. Discussion of changing budget meeting days Ms. Slane and Ms. Greene

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

Mayor Robert "Butch" Berry called the regular meeting of the Eureka Springs City Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 23, 2021, in the Auditorium at 36 S. Main St.

PRESENT: Mayor Berry, Council members Melissa Greene, Harry Meyer, Terry McClung,

Autumn Slane, Bill Ott (by Zoom) and City Clerk Treasurer Ann Armstrong

ABSENT: City Attorney Tim Weaver and Council member LauraJo Smole (with notice)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Berry led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Ms. Greene moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Meyer seconded. Mayor Berry postponed New Business items #2, 3, 4 and 5 and added a discussion of a special meeting. Ms. Slane and Ms. Greene added a discussion of the monthly budget meeting day.

Ms. Greene moved approve the amended agenda. Ms. Slane seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: August 9, 2021

Mr. McClung moved to approve. Mr. Meyer seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AUTHORITY REPORTS AND EXPIRED TERMS:

Planning – One seat remains open, position 7.

CAPC – One position is open.

Hospital – Position 4 is open.

Parks – One seat is open, position 7.

HDC – no report

Cemetery – Ms. Greene renominated Judy Holden for position 3. Ms. Slane seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Melinda Large, referencing Ordinance No. 2201 (Maintenance of real property), asked who enforces the current ordinances? She followed with questions regarding non-enforcement, who adheres to ordinances, and future ordinance enforcement.

Laura Covington, Oakridge resident, said she found a call about speeding on Oakridge a bit odd and expressed her belief no one had complained about speeding there. She spoke about a neighbor who said a warning was received via a mailbox for turning bricks in a vertical fashion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance No. 2309 Amending Bed and Breakfast – 2nd reading

Ms. Greene moved to discuss. Mr. McClung seconded. Ms. Greene moved to suspend the rules and place Ordinance No. 2309 on its second reading by title only. Mr. Meyer seconded. A roll call vote followed.

Motion carried 5/0/0. The Clerk Treasurer read the Ordinance title.

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Ms. Greene moved to approve on the second reading. Ms. Slane seconded. Motion carried 5/0/0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request for new lease at 4 Kingshighway – Brian and Tara Richardson

Background on earlier leases for access to the home was summarized. Sale of the property is pending, and the current owners have requested renewal of the lease.

Discussion followed about the process involved in vacating, the existence of a waterline withing the property edge and preference of the owners and potential buyers to renew the lease.

Mr. Richardson said the goal is to have clear title within the 38 days, when the sale is scheduled.

Mr. McClung moved to approve another 25-year lease with the fee of \$100, with the caveat that (Council goes) ahead and starts the process for vacating. Mayor Berry expressed concern about the caveat and Mr. McClung agreed to delete it. Ms. Greene seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0. Mayor Berry agreed to follow through with an ordinance.

2. Ordinance for repairing sidewalks with a limit on exterior building repairs or new construction in the Historic District

Postponed during approval of the agenda

3. Ordinance re: procedure for removing City commission members

Postponed during approval of the agenda

4. Resolution for lease on City offices in Western District Court House

Postponed during approval of the agenda

5. Resolution for parking lot lease

Postponed during approval of the agenda

6. Discussion of special meeting for Auditorium basement and Public Works building

Ms. Greene moved to discuss. Ms. Slane seconded. Mayor Berry said he had received the final guaranteed maximum cost estimates for the Auditorium and maintenance building projects. His preference was to have a special meeting for Nabholz to present the estimates, noting that there would be a savings if both projects were combined.

Following discussion, it was agreed to meet at 3:30 on Wednesday, August 25 in the Auditorium.

7. Changing budget meetings days

Ms. Slane moved to discuss. Ms. Greene seconded. Ms. Slane favored having two additional weeks to review the budget updates.

Ms. Slane motioned to have the budget meeting at the first scheduled (Council) meeting of the month. Ms. Greene seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0.

AGENDA SETTING:

Mr. Meyer added discussion with a Cliff St. resident about the traffic. Ms. Greene seconded.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mr. Ott said he appreciated being able to join the meeting by Zoom.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Berry recognized the new CAPC Tourism Director, Madison Dawson. He also noted the increasing number of COVID patients and encouraged vaccinations.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Berry called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. McClung said he so moved. Mr. Meyer seconded.

Motion carried 5/0/0. The meeting ended at 6:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk Treasurer Ann Armstrong

APPROVED:

Mayor Robert "Butch" Berry

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