

EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR COMMITTEE

October 10, 2023

Present: Clint Epley, Chairman, Jean Vandenberg, David Puccetti and Miranda Langen
Absent: Clayton Walter
Others present: Bryan Sharp, Dwanna Kelmel, Mary Barry, Linda Curtin, Ray Koonce, Lucas Domonousky, and Elizabeth Hile in attendance.

The Executive, Personnel, and Liquor Committee met on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the County Board meeting room, second floor of the Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address any agenda items, any personnel issues, policies, and any other matters properly brought before the Committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

EMA UPDATE

Director's Report

Jeff Stoner was unable to attend but provided a report for the committee's review.

Authorization for the CB Chairman to Sign a Federal Surplus Agreement

Chairman Sharp advised the committee that Jeff Stoner had reached out to him regarding a Federal Surplus Property Program and was expecting a call from a representative but hasn't received any call to this date. David Puccetti indicated that he is familiar with these programs which are offered by both the State and Federal Government that allows for receipt of surplus property.

Motion by David Puccetti and second by Jean Vandenberg to recommend to the full Board to allow Chairman Sharp to sign the Federal Surplus Property Program Agreement. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS – ANIMAL CONTROL

Assistant States Attorney Mary Barry reviewed the draft recommendations to the Animal Control Ordinance which included updating fees as well as required citation fees required to be collected by the Circuit Clerk. The Breeders section will be addressed at a later time.

Motion by Miranda Langen and second by Jean Vandenberg to recommend to the full Board to approve the Animal Control Ordinance and fees as presented. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

NON BARGAINING ORDINANCE

When the Non-Bargaining Starting Salary Policy Section C was amended in October of 2022 timing for when the step increase(s) would take place for after completion of one (1) year, two (2) years and three (3) years in the position was not included in the policy. City Treasurer Asmussen provided a recommendation that the timing be the same as union contracts and elected officials which is 12/1 and not an anniversary date.

Motion by Clint Epley and second by David Puccetti to recommend to the full Board to amend the Non-Bargaining Starting Salary to include language indicating the increase for after completion of years one (1), two (2) and three (3) shall occur on the anniversary of the position hire date and to add language for the years thereafter be effective on 12/1 of the applicable fiscal year. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ZONING CODE – SECTION F. DANGER TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE OF PROPERTY DAMAGE

Assistant States Attorney Mary Barry provided a review of the recommended changes to include but not limited to moving the Condemnation section to its own section of the Zoning Code. Expansion on the type of structures

covered. Added that the Zoning Administrator shall get notice of the condemnation. Included that owners who are not occupants can still be liable for violations of the ordinance. Eliminated the specific penalty section and instead tied it to the overall Zoning Penalty Code.

Motion by Clint Epley and second by Jean Vandenberg to refer the draft recommendation of Section F to the Highway, Building and Grounds Committee for full Board approval. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

TEXT AMENDMENT PROPOSAL(S)

Blake Tarr, Zoning Officer, was unable to be present tonight but did provide a text amendment proposal to the Zoning Code regulating the siting of sustainable energy systems.

Motion by Jean Vandenburg and second by Clayton Walter to recommend to the full Board to refer to the ZBA for consideration to adopt Appendix D, Regulating the Siting of Sustainable Energy Systems text amendment as presented. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

REFERRAL(S) ZBA

None

REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

There were no referrals.

OTHER MATTERS

Chairman Sharp provided information on the former Ameren site near Manners Park. There has been a lot of speculation from the community about what was going on. Chairman Sharp recently participated in a conference call with Ameren representatives and representatives of the EPA. Everything at this point has been referred to the EPA. He would like to have an informal meeting to hear from concerned citizens and include some of the committee chairs and board members in the near future.

He also highlighted a document regarding consulting services to alter the current Enterprise Zone noting that he felt more discussions need to occur before further decisions are made. The Chairman will provide more information to the Board as it becomes available.

Ray Koonce Chairman from the 708 Mental Health Board provided a brief update on tonight's 708 Mental Health Board meeting to include 2 applications received requesting distribution of funds.

Motion by David Puccetti and second by Miranda Langen to adjourn. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Clint Epley, Chairman
Executive/Personnel Committee
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