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CITY OF CLARKSVILLE CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

July 1, 2024

The Clarksville City Council met in regular session on July 1, 2024 in the City Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor Jerald Heuer presiding and Council Members Roger Doty, Ruth Saulsbury, Jennifer Kielman, Jessi Reints and Taran Sherburne. Other City employees present were: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk, Police Chief Mackey, Bruce Toenjes, City Attorney and Kristen Clark, librarian. Members of public present: Matt Wilken, Jesse Marzen, Ashley Flege, Corey Williams, Rhonda Landrum, and Rebecca Brown.

Mayor Topics:

Suggestions for placement of Stop & Yield Signs: Heuer asked for updated list for intersections. Saulsbury states that the intersections that they previously discussed; Mather/Poisal, Mather/Greene, Mather/Vine, and Greene/S Elizabeth. Saulsbury states that she has not heard of any other problematic intersections. Heuer states that he spoke with Shelley Maiers who also states the alley by Casey's is dangerous with kids on mopeds using the alley like a street. Heuer also spoke with Mrs. Hanneman at the school regarding stop signs. She states one thing that they may look at is adding a removable stop sign by the parking lot exit.

Nuisance Properties: Heuer states that Chief Mackey and Heu-

er are slowly working on getting properties cleaned up.

Parking and Clearance of Sidewalk: Heuer has concern about people parking vehicles and other items across the sidewalks preventing clearance for people to walk. If there is a sidewalk it should be able to be utilized. There have been at least 2 residences talked to about this.

Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve Consent Agenda including: June Claims & Financial Reports, Minutes from 06/17/202. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 316 An Ordinance setting forth a proposal to vacate 264 feet of South Baughman Street north of former West Weare St. RCV/Ayes: Kielman, Reints, Doty, Saulsbury, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Discussion of fine assessment for not having building permit prior to completing construction. Clerk spoke with other towns who double the fee for the permit. Toenjes states that there are a few options that could be that you double the fee, do a flat fee or extra fee on top of the project fee. Toenjes states that council can make changes using a resolution as previously completed. The other options could be that the resident pays the fee and has to tear out the project if council decides to go that direction.

Building Permits presented by City Clerk in absence of Maintenance: Victor Herrmann, 615 N Main St., addition of wood over existing stairs

Susan Kroeze, 203 E Poisal St. wire fence on east side of home to utilize as dog run, incomplete building permit. Council would like to hold off making decision until building permit is complete.

Lisa Uhlenhopp-Jacobs, 415 N Mather St., fence in front yard for dog safety. Matt Wilken was present and states that a survey was completed at this property. The fence on the north and south sides are at a minimum 18 inches off the property line, however to the east it is 2-3 feet on the City easement. Council discussed the need to move the fence off the city easement.

Troy Fraser, 414 West Greene St., moved a 8x12 ft shed to use as lawn/garden shed.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Victor Herrmann building permit. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve Jacob's building permit pending it being moved ft off the City easement to meet compliance of property lines. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Sherburne is concerned about the look Fraser's property and there are concerns regarding the look of the building that was moved to the

property. Council questions what material is going to be used to side the building.

Motion Kielman, Sherburne to table decision on Troy Fraser's building permit. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Heuer states that Chief Mackey has introduced Rebecca Brown to all council members and asked if anyone had comments. There were none.

Motion Kielman, Sherburne to approve Rebecca Brown for Reserve Police Officer position.

Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve Res 24-16 Appointment of Reserve Officer Brown. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Clark states that the open Library Aide position is from Cindy Wedeking retiring at the end of the month.

Motion Sherburne, Kielman to approve hiring Library Aide position. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Kielman, Doty to approve Res 24-17 Hiring Ann Moon for Library Aide position. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Update from Skyline is that the pumps are in place and they are coordinating getting them hooked

up and operational.

Motion Sherburne, Doty approve Pay Estimate 3 to Skyline for Ilgenfritz Storm Water Project. Ayes: Saulsbury, Doty, Kielman, Reints, Sherburne. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Ashley Flege Partial Sidewalk Removal. Flege and Williams discuss the issue of having to park campers over the sidewalk because they do not have anywhere else to put it. Flege states that it was suggested to them to ask to have the sidewalk removed. They have spoke to their neighbors would do not care if the sidewalk is removed. They state that the sidewalk doesn't lead anywhere to the east. They state that people do not use the sidewalk and they are the only residents on the entire south side of Jefferson that have sidewalks. They have their vehicles parked in their short driveway and are afraid when people walk by or kids ride bikes by that they will be injured if they happen to hit the hitch on their vehicle that maybe onto the sidewalk. Heuer states that this is becoming an issue around town people parking vehicles and other items on the sidewalk forcing others to walk in the road. Flege and Williams feel that the sidewalk is their property and they should have the right to do what they want with it. Toenjes states that he is unsure depending on where the property pins are if they have the authority to remove the sidewalk. Heuer is worried that

removing the sidewalk and many others may want to follow that path. Toenjes states that it is a safety concern if you remove the sidewalk and force people to use the road. Toenjes states that the city has not forced the mandatory sidewalk on the residents of Clarksville. Sherburne states that people walk in the road in that area all the time. He states that he is eventually going to remove a sidewalk by his property because it doesn't lead anywhere. Sherburne states that it is not a problem let them do it. Flege and Williams were not against attempting to find property pins or having a survey if needed. It was discussed that if they move forward with removing the sidewalk they would need to submit a building permit, which they also stated they are willing to do.

Motion Sherburne, Doty to approve removal of sidewalk at 503 S Main. Ayes: Doty, Sherburne. Nays: Kielman, Reints, Saulsbury. Absent: None. Motion not carried. Reints & Kielman both feel they need more information on where the property pins are prior to making a decision.

Motion Doty, Sherburne to adjourn regular City Council meeting at 7:26 pm.

Jerald Heuer, Mayor
Attest: Molly Bohlen, City Clerk
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