

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF BRIDGETON
12355 NATURAL BRIDGE ROAD
JUNE 19, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Terry W. Briggs on Wednesday, June 19, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purell, Saettele, Zimmer

Absent: Abram

The Mayor noted a quorum present.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, for approval of the agenda.

Mrs. Norris stated in Mrs. Abram's absence, she would be reading Bill 6206 on the agenda.

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, to add Item 9a, a Liquor License for St. Louis Earth City Courtyard, and Item 9b a Liquor License for Springhill Suites. These are for First Consideration. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mr. Bill Behrens, of Warren Sign Company, and Pastor Williams from Spirit of the Lord Family Church, at 915 Northwest Plaza Drive, spoke briefly and showed some photographs of the location. The one side of the church that faces the plaza gives no indication of what is in the building. They will remove the pole sign and plan to go to Design and Review Board and ask for a variance for a smaller pole sign at the location. Pastor Williams stated they want to cooperate with the City and follow all the rules; they are here to serve the community.

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Ms. Mary Ann Boenker, 20032 Joerling Lane, in Marthasville Missouri, stated she is present to answer any questions about Bill 6206, a final plat approval.

There being no one else to speak before Council the Public Portion was closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 5, 2019 (REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING)

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, for approval of the Minutes of the June 5, 2019, meeting.

At Mr. Linenbroker’s request, Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, to amend Page Four, by deleting the last sentence in the second paragraph, beginning “Mr. Linenbroker stated.....”. Motion on the amendment carried by voice vote.

Mr. Saettele stated that on Page Ten, the last paragraph under the Mayor’s Report refers to setting up a mid-year budget session. He was under the impression it was decided at the meeting by a vote of the members of Council as to when would be the best time for the meeting; he found out later it was held during the day on a Tuesday.

Motion to approve the Minutes as amended carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 11, 2019 (MID-YEAR BUDGET SESSION)

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, for approval of the Minutes of the June 11, 2019, Council Mid-Year Budget Session. Motion carried by voice vote. (Mr. Saettele abstained).

APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

Item 3

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Briggs nominated the following individuals to serve on the respective commissions:

PARKS COMMISSION

POLICE COMMISSION

Nancy Haug, Chairperson, Ward 3

Jessica Perkins (Reappointment), Ward 4

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, for approval. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Item 4

PROCLAMATION HONORING POLICE OFFICERS PIANT, STANDIFORD AND SOPPE FOR SAVING LIVES OF TWO RESIDENTS IN FIRE

Mayor Briggs read a Proclamation in honor of Police Officers Piant, Standiford and Soppe of the Bridgeton Police Department who saved the lives of two residents in a fire. The ceremony included commendations from other officers and photographs of the officers and their families.

INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, to approve the Investment Policy Statement for the Retirement Plan for the Employees of the City of Bridgeton, MO.

Mr. Fetsch stated this is something the City has needed for a long time. Any new Council members should receive a copy of this in the future.

Members of Council thanked the Pension Commission who did such a thorough job in completing this task.

Mayor Briggs stated he is happy we can give our employees the assurance that we have a road map that we can follow, review, and update as needed.

Roll Call Vote to approve Investment Policy Statement:

AYES: Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purell, Saettele, Zimmer

NAYS: None

Absent: Abram

PERMITS, WAIVERS AND APPEAL REQUESTS

Item 5

SIGN VARIANCE – SPIRIT OF THE LORD FAMILY CHURCH; 915 NORTHWEST PLAZA DRIVE; WALL SIGNS

Mr. Zimmer moved, second by Mr. Saettele, for approval of a request for a wall sign for Spirit Church at 915 Northwest Plaza Drive. This was tabled at the last meeting after discussion about a pole sign that Council requested be taken down.

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It was stated this is for a request for two more signs and does not involve the pole sign. This was not forwarded with a favorable recommendation from the Design and Review Board. Mayor Briggs reminded Council this will take six votes to pass and there are only seven members of Council present.

Following further discussion, Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Saettele to call for the question. Motion carried by voice vote.

Roll Call Vote on Sign Variance:

AYES: Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purcell, Saettele, Fetsch

NAYS: Zimmer

Absent: Abram

Item 6

SIGN VARIANCE – PIZZA HUT; 12177 ST. CHARLES ROCK ROAD; PYLON SIGN

Mr. Zimmer moved, second by Mr. Saettele, for approval to add a “Pizza Hut” sign to the existing pole sign along McKelvey. They are closing the dine-in Pizza Hut on McKelvey and relocating in a small strip center as a delivery and/or carryout restaurant only. They chose to put the sign on the sign along McKelvey Road because it is more visible with it being located on an intersection.

The Design and Review Board forwarded this to Council with a favorable recommendation contingent upon the approval from the owner of the sign.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Hein, Norris, Purcell, Saettele, Zimmer, Fetsch, Grimmer

NAYS: None

Absent: Abram

Item 7

SIGN VARIANCE – THE MAD CRAB; 12490 ST. CHARLES ROCK ROAD; WALL SIGNS

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Mr. Zimmer moved, second by Mr. Saettele, for a sign variance for this new seafood restaurant locating at the former “Frederick’s” Restaurant.

They are requesting a sign on the side that is larger than allowed and they are proposing two signs in lieu of the one that is permitted.

The Design and Review Board forwarded this to Council with a favorable recommendation.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Norris, Purcell, Saettele, Zimmer, Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein

NAYS: None

Absent: Abram

EMERGENCY LEGISLATION, CONTRACTS, BIDS, ETC.

Item 8

FULL LIQUOR AND SUNDAY LICENSE (CONSUMPTION ON PREMISES); BRIDGETON RECREATION CENTER; 4201 FEE FEE ROAD; CHRIS CHOLLEY, MANAGING OFFICER. FINAL CONSIDERATION.

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, for final consideration of the above liquor license.

AYES: Purcell, Saettele, Zimmer, Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris

NAYS: None

Absent: Abram

Item 9

FULL LIQUOR AND SUNDAY LICENSE; RED LOBSTER LLC; 12235 ST. CHARLES ROCK ROAD; SAMIR O. ABDALLAH, MANAGING OFFICER. FINAL CONSIDERATION

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Mr. Hein. moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, for final consideration of the above liquor license.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Saettele, Zimmer, Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purcell

NAY: None

Absent: Abram

Item 9a

FULL LIQUOR AND SUNDAY LICENSE; COURTYARD MANAGEMENT CORPORATION D/B/A ST. LOUIS EARTH CITY COURTYARD; 3101 RIDER TRAIL SOUTH; ROBIN GRIFFITH, MANAGING OFFICER. (CHANGE) FIRST CONSIDERATION

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, for first consideration of the above liquor license. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, to table. Motion carried by voice vote.

Item 9b

FULL LIQUOR AND SUNDAY LICENSE; SPRINGHILL SMC LCC D/B/A SPRINGHILL SUITES ST. LOUIS AIRPORT; 3099 RIDER TRAIL SOUTH; ROBBIN GRIFFITH, MANAGING OFFICER (CHANGE) FIRST CONSIDERATION

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, for first consideration of the above liquor license. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, to table. Motion carried by voice vote.

PERFECTION OF BILLS

Item 10

BILL 6206 A FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF A MINOR RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION, "BOENKER ESTATE", TO SUBDIVIDE APPROXIMATELY 15.35 ACRES INTO THREE (3) LOTS ZONED "M-1" MANUFACTURING DISTRICT, LIMITED AND "R-3" SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT AT 12855 AND 12901 BOENKER LANE. PETITIONER: MARK DITCH

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Mrs. Norris moved, second by Mr. Hein, for second reading of Bill 6206. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mrs. Norris moved, second by Mr. Hein, that Bill 6206 become Ordinance 19-09.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Zimmer, Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purcell, Saettele

NAYS: None

Absent: Abram

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Linenbroker had nothing to report at this time.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Members of Council stated that the ceremony for the Proclamation of the three Police Officers who rescued two individuals from a fire in Bridgeton was very nice and made them all proud of the officers who serve this City.

Mr. Hein reported the Beautification Commission had their spring landscaping tour and he went with them. The names of the award winners should come out shortly.

Mr. Hein also reported he attended the Police Commission meeting this week and three officers were interviewed.

Mr. Fetsch stated he was happy to see the Investment Policy Statement for our employees that was approved tonight.

He made reference to a letter from a resident that was laid on the table before Council this evening and thought it was terrible.

Mr. Grimmer encouraged everyone to visit the new remodeled Aldi's. They did a great job and certainly are an enhancement the City.

He also commented on the new website which is a great improvement.

Mr. Purcell stated it is always good to see people coming out to see what is going on in your government. He was also glad to see that the Mayor called Channel 4 to see an example of the things our police are doing. Mr. Purcell was also impressed with the "new" Aldi's in our City.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Mr. Gunn reported the continued rain has continued to be a problem for the Public Works Department but they are busy patching potholes with hot asphalt along the July 4th parade route and will begin cleaning the City's garage in preparation for the parade float construction.

They are continuing to pour concrete sidewalks in DePaul Hills Subdivision. Marschuetz has started construction on the slab replacement project in Westhaven Subdivision. They have poured several sections along Warwickhall Drive and Whitehall Manor Drive, one section at the Bristolhall/Saxonhall intersection and another long stretch on Brierhall Drive. They will then be 21% complete with the project.

Mr. Kane reported the Recreation Center is preparing for the 4th of July. A nice letter was received this week from the AARP representative about the Bridgeton Senior Department's role in coordinating tax returns. We completed the second most returns out of 13 districts. A big thank you to Mary Lane for coordinating this effort..

Chief Hood reported that at the Police Commission meeting three candidates were given conditional job offers as Police Officer. They are Zahery Koch, Scott Hodges and Zahery Seeger. They must all pass the academy, physical drug screen and psychological exams prior to hire.

Mayor Briggs reminded everyone that the next meeting is July 3rd.

The effort is still going on to collect signatures to address various issues another group is promoting. So if you have any, please see that they are turned in as soon as possible.

At Mayor Briggs' request, Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Saettele, that a Closed Session be held to discuss matters relating to (i) legal actions, litigation or confidential or privileged communication with counsel pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) R.S.MO., and to include the Mayor, the City Administrator, members of Council, the City Attorney, the Director of Public Works, the Chief of Police, and the City Clerk.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purcell, Saettele, Zimmer

NAYS: None

Absent: Abram

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At 8:04 p.m. the regular Council meeting adjourned into the Closed Session and returned to open session at 8:48 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, for adjournment of the regular Council meeting. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Terry W. Briggs, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carole A. Stahlhut, City Clerk