

**MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF BRIDGETON
12355 NATURAL BRIDGE ROAD
JULY 17, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Terry W. Briggs on Wednesday, July 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Abram, Fetsch, Grimmer, Hein, Norris, Purcell, Saettele, Zimmer

Absent: None

The Mayor noted a quorum present.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor Briggs stated that there are two Public Hearings this evening and if you wish to speak relative to one of those, you should wait until the time of the hearings.

There being no one who wished to address Council at this time, the Public Portion was closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 3, 2019

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, for approval of the Minutes of July 3, 2019. Motion carried by voice vote.

**APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/SET
PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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Item 1

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Briggs announced that all members of Council are present so any new item on the agenda this evening could be passed at the discretion of the Council.

Item 2

APPOINTMENTS

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

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Nancy Michely (New Appointee) Ward 4

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

T. Christopher Peoples (New Appointee) Ward 4

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, for approval of the above nominees. Motion carried by voice vote.

At this time Chief Hood introduced two of the four new officers who have joined the Police Department: Kyle Brown and Scott Hodges.

RECESS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED (Items 6 & 7 on the Agenda)

At this time the regular Council meeting recessed for the Public Hearings scheduled and reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the petition for rezoning: Caroline Levitz (600 Washington Avenue), Kalonda Cloyd (4202 Bonfils Drive), and Anthony Sonkenik (2128 LeHave Court).

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the rezoning: Tom Zoltanski (3858 DePaul Meadows), Ron Holland (3864 DePaul Meadows Court); Chris Egan (3861 DePaul Meadows Court; and Thersa Fisher (11885 Melody).

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Ms. Jamie Grigsby, Alton, Illinois, asked questions about Bill 6210, amending the code relative to definitions and regulations related to medical marijuana facilities. She was not speaking for or against the bill.

EMERGENCY LEGISLATION, CONTRACTS, BIDS, ETC.

Item 3

**FULL LIQUOR & SUNDAY LICENSE – LA GLORIA MEXICAN RESTAURANT INC.;
12283 NATURAL BRIDGE ROAD; NICOLE S. AHUATZI, MANAGING OFFICER;
FINAL CONSIDERATION**

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

NAYS: None

PERFECTION OF BILLS

Item 4

**BILL 6207 SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR ADULT DAY CARE CENTER; TO ALLOW
AN ADULT DAY CARE FACILITY LOCATED AT 4200 BONFILS DRIVE, AS
PROVIDED IN THE BRIDGETON ZONING ORDINANCE UNDER SECTION
410.130.D.2.z OF THE “B-2” COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT. PETITIONER:
UNDER GRACE ADULT DAYCARE C/O QUENTIN RICHARDSON**

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, for second reading of Bill 6207. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, that Bill 6207 become Ordinance No. 19-10.

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, to table Bill 6207. Motion carried by voice vote.

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Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, that the proposed use set forth in Bill 6207 be determined to promote the health, safety, morals or general welfare of the people of the City of Bridgeton in accordance with and in the accomplishment of the comprehensive zoning plan of the City, taking into consideration the effect of such building or use on traffic conditions, fire safety, the character of the neighborhood, the general welfare of the community and public utilities.

Mrs. Abram stated she finds as a fact, the proposed use will have no adverse effect on the health, safety, morals or general welfare of the people of Bridgeton with respect to traffic conditions, fire safety, the character of the neighborhood, the general welfare of the community or public utilities and her vote is Aye.

Mrs. Norris concurs and votes aye.
Mr. Zimmer concurs and votes aye.
Mr. Saettele concurs and votes aye.
Mr. Grimmer concurs and votes aye.
Mr. Purcell concurs and votes aye.
Mr. Fetsch concurs and votes aye.
Mr. Hein concurs and votes aye.

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, to suspend Council Rules and remove Bill 6207 from the table. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, that Bill 6207 become Ordinance 19-10.

Roll Call Vote:

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

NAYS: None

Item 5

BILL 6208 AMENDING CHAPTER 110, SECTION 110.250 OF THE BRIDGETON CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADJUSTING CERTAIN COURT COSTS

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, for second reading of Bill 6207. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Hein moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, that Bill 6208 become Ordinance 19-11.

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Roll Call Vote:

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

NAYS: None

CONSIDERATION OF NEW BILLS

Item 6

BILL 6209 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON, MISSOURI (APPLICATION #19-PZ-06) TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 0.93 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT 3710 HARMONY LANE FROM “R-3” SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO “B-5” PLANNED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (VADNAL PROPERTIES, LLC)

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, for first reading of Bill 6209. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, to table Bill 6209. Motion carried by voice vote.

Item 7

BILL 6210 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON, MISSOURI, AMENDING CHAPTER 410 OF THE BRIDGETON CODE OF ORDINANCES CREATING DEFINITIONS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA FACILITIES AND PROVIDING ZONING REGULATIONS THEREFOR

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, for first reading of Bill 6210. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mrs. Abram moved, second by Mrs. Norris, to table Bill 6210. Motion carried by voice vote.

DISCUSSION

Item 8

Hein

ELECTED OFFICIALS – WORKERS COMPENSATION AND LIFE INSURANCE

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Mr. Hein stated they are elected officials and employees and should receive Life Insurance coverage and be included on the City's Workers Compensation. Mr. Bookout responded that to be an employee you must work a minimum of 30 hours and report to a supervisor.

Mr. Bookout stated our insurance carrier stated that if an elected official was injured in a Council meeting, they would be covered by our insurance, but not Workers Compensation.

Mayor Briggs stated that Workers Compensation is more than paying for medical expenses. If you are considered unable to do your job, you might not receive your full stipend. You should look more into Worker's Compensation and what it entails.

Several council persons stated they were not in favor of either receiving Workers Compensation or Life Insurance, although a few stated they would like to look at the insurance

The use of metal detectors was also discussed. The Mayor said we could look into the extra cost for using them and report back. It takes three officers to manage them. One to check those coming in, one to supervise and use the wand if necessary; the third one watches the other individuals waiting to come through.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was decided staff would look into the cost of a life insurance policy for the members of Council and the cost for using the metal detector for Council meetings.

Item 9

Grimmer

BRIDGEPORT PLACE STORMWATER PROJECT

Mr. Grimmer stated that three bids were received for the Bridgeport Place Drive Stormwater Improvement Project and the lowest was \$70,260.97. As previously discussed, the construction costs could be funded out of the capital improvement budget line item.

Mr. Petersen stated they have met with the people who have complained in 2017 and earlier. The property behind them is causing runoff.

It was discussed as to handling these situations and determining who has the worst problem. It was suggested addressing these projects as they come in.

Reconvening the Council Sub-Committee on Stormwater was also discussed.

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The Mayor stated we need to see if we can do some of the work in-house, how much it would cost and if MSD would take over the project if we do that.

Mr. Bookout stated he has just talked to Mr. Gunn and he said the City does have the right to look at the contract and delete any items the City can take over. That would reduce the cost by about \$55,000,

Mr. Hein asked if the resident would share any of the cost. Mayor Briggs said they could ask about that.

Mr. Grimmer moved, second by Mr. Fetsch, to table this item until the City can get more information together for Council. Motion carried by voice vote.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Linenbroker had nothing to report at this time.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Norris asked if applications for demolition permits had been received from Bio Life or for the property previously occupied by Al's Greenhouse.

Mr. Fetsch said the 4th of July parade and fireworks were great and thanked all the employees who worked so hard to make it happen and for giving up their holiday.

Mr. Purcell agreed the 4th was a great day and thanked everyone who helped.

The Ward 2 meeting is on Wednesday, July 31st at Spanish Village Park. It is listed wrong on the calendar.

Mr. Saettele stated there have been a lot of power outages and there will be even more trees and limbs down after tonight.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mr. Petersen stated that Bio Life has contacted us about what the process is at this time.

Mr. Kane said that everyone seemed to have a good time on the 4th and thanked all the workers.

The first Thursday night Concert in the Park was held on July 11 with 100 plus in attendance. The concert featured Bridgeton resident Marvin Cockrell.

The Concert in the Park this Sunday is Dueling Hobbits.

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Chief Hood reported the Police Department received 26 calls about people shooting off fireworks over the holiday this year.

He also said he will be introducing two more new officers at the next meeting - Zachary Koch and Joshua Forbes.

Please keep his secretary Clarann in your prayers. She has had some very serious health issues and is recovering.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fetsch moved, second by Mr. Hein, for adjournment. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Terry W. Briggs, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carole A. Stahlhut, City Clerk