

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

President of Council William L. Hills called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Members of Council present: Mel Clemens, Antoinette Newman, Donna Shirey, Ron Stake, Preston Stearns, Brett Baxter, Doug Joseph.

The Invocation was given by Mr. Stearns. Mr. Hills led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the regular Council meeting held July 23, 2007 were approved without objection.

The agenda was approved.

Communications- - Clerk read reports from Clerk of Courts; total monies collected from courts held during July 2007, \$35,698. Monies also collected during that period pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 146-94 and 104-02- - \$1,980 for the Computerization Needs Fund and \$300 for the Enforcement and Education Fund.

Total monies collected from courts held during August 2007, \$50,557. Monies also collected during that period pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 146-94 and 104-02- - \$3,384 for the Computerization Needs Fund and \$300 for the Enforcement and Education Fund.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: AMENDING SECTION 971.08 AProgram and Facility Fees And Charges@ OF CHAPTER 971 MUNICIPAL PARKS- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Item referred to Community Development Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: Deletion of Subsection (g) of SECTION 711.12 ABILLIARD ROOM SPECIFICATIONS AND REGULATIONS@ OF CHAPTER 711 BILLIARD ROOMS- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading.

Mrs. Newman: I had a question about just the sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages period; now that=s going to allow the sale of all levels of alcohol, correct?

Mr. Hills: Well, it=s my understanding...Mr. Joseph, do you want to address that, or do you want me to just respond?

Mr. Joseph: You can respond, because as far as...we=re just eliminating one line at this point, and it just simply eliminates that stipulation that you have to have less, only one table, for a drinking establishment. That=s all it=s doing in this ordinance.

Mrs. Newman: Okay.

Mr. Hills: Mrs. Newman, if I could follow up; I don=t believe there is any beer, wine, liquor permit issued to that address, nor do I believe it=s been applied for. No one can serve beer, wine, or liquor without having a liquor permit...

Mrs. Newman: Well, I understand that.

Mr. Hills: ...and that=s the application process they would have to go through. And just because we take out of an ordinance that you can=t drink beer if you have more than one pool table, we=ve removed that, doesn=t mean you can drink beer in that building without a liquor permit. I believe the tenant said that >we smoke in the building=, but he=s got his own problem with the state law on that one, but...Mr. Clemens.

Mr. Clemens: I think I did bring up one of the problems. You know, when we do eliminate things like this, we should have something to replace it. And I did bring up that we should be thinking about maybe the square footage per table and so forth, so that we don=t see cramming them into spaces that=s not available and hit people as they walk by, or knock people at the bar and things like that. So I think we should be looking into maybe something to put in there to help on that factor as far as the square footage per table and so forth.

Mr. Hills: I think there were two or three things that were talked about in committee that are possibilities that could be further refined, and one of that was the square footage. The other of that was, if you remove (e), you needed to remove (b) or something. So I think what we=re seeing tonight, in order to get it moving forward, was just a known factor that we felt was a problem. But I think everyone realized, I hope everybody on Administration and Council, realized that there were going to be other changes to that whole ordinance. Is that correct, Mr. Joseph? That was your approach?

Mr. Joseph: Yes. Exactly. And anyone that has suggestions for further modification will be able to bring that up at the committee next week.

Mr. Clemens: And this is the ordinance that=s almost forty years old. And I did miss that meeting that night. I thought about it.

Mr. Hills: You realize Mr. Clemens, some people in here aren=t even forty years old! So you and I would still relate to that, right? Yes. Any other questions or comments? (No response). If not, this will stand for a first reading and return to committee.

Item returned to Safety Committee.

ORDINANCE ACCEPTING TWO UNRECORDED DEEDS OF EASEMENT (sanitary sewer, water line) (Metropolitan Reynoldsburg, LLC)- -Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading; item referred to Service Committee.

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO: SECTION 1131.02 ADefinitions@ OF CHAPTER 1131 DEFINITIONS by adding definition of AIndoor Storage Facility@; SECTION 1145.10 ASupplementary Requirements for Special Exceptions@ OF CHAPTER 1145 SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, by adding a new subsection (g) and re-lettering remaining subsections; and Table

1175.01 A Permitted Uses and Special Exceptions@ OF SECTION 1175.01 A Permitted Uses and Special Exceptions@ OF CHAPTER 1175 DISTRICT REGULATIONS (CC Community Commerce District, and CS Community Services District - listings)- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the first reading. Mr. Hills set a Public Hearing for October 1, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT AN APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF 3.78+/- ACRES IN JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO, TO THE CITY OF REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO (Thomas M. and Trulee Barnett)- - Clerk read ordinance by title for the second reading. Item referred to Service Committee.

Mr. Hills stated there was going to be a Special Council meeting prior to the following week=s committee meetings, and would begin at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

William L. Hills, President of Council

Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council