

**EUREKA CITY COUNCIL
WORK MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2023 7:00 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Dever opened the meeting and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Chris Dever – Present via Zoom
Council Member Greg Evans – Present
Council Member Travis Haynes – Present
Council Member Tom Nedreberg – Present
Council Member Jeremy Snell – Present
Council Member Robert Trepanier – Present
City Recorder Patricia Bigler – Present
City Attorney Melissa Mellor – Absent

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Tyler Timmons – Six County, Shelly Stansfield

Mayor Dever told Tyler Timmons even though he was not on the agenda to please come up and address the Council. Tyler said he had been contacted by Council Member Nedreberg about updating our noise ordinance and establishing a municipal court. He found two samples of a noise ordinance for the Council to review. There was a discussion about the samples and about getting a special permit for a party or event being held during the quiet hours. Tyler mentioned he could also help us find or put together a permit for the city to use. He did say the ordinance should be easy to enforce. He will look into making the changes they discussed and will present them to the Council at the meeting on Monday. Mayor Dever asked if he could discuss the City Manager program. Tyler said that Shay has transitioned to the shared city administration program. A pilot program has been put into place and will run through the end of June in select cities. Seth Atkinson from Nephi City is working with Shay on this program. Shay will be here next Monday to discuss the program. Council Member Evans mentioned short-term rental ordinances and Council Member Snell mentioned transient room tax for Tyler to look at.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Review and Discussion of possible amendments to Ordinance No. 04-14-2013-1
Ordinance Establishing Noise Restrictions within Eureka City Limits
Tyler will get more information on how other cities deal with their noise and what their ordinances look like. He will bring them to the Council Meeting on Monday.

Review and Discussion of Enforcement Officer Policies and Procedures
Mayor Dever said there is an issue with the dogs and with people parking on the streets during the winter months. He talked with Drew and will have him put the notices on the cars. They will

be allowed up to 3 notices before their vehicle gets towed. He has not contacted any towing companies yet. He will work with Drew on the enforcement side. As far as the pets go, we need to get some traps to trap them. He will work with Drew on this sometime this month. He has contacted the Vet in Delta and they would be willing to work with us. Council Member Haynes feels we have an issue with people not paying to license their animals. He would like to have notices made up and given to them too. Council Member Snell had a discussion with Dr. Anderson, the Vet from Delta, about the licensing violations at large and how one community dealt with the problem. They had their enforcement officer go door to door and ask to see their licensing paperwork. He feels the dogs running at large are the danger factor we have. He said Drew told him he was willing to take care of the problem, but he doesn't know the procedures. Council Member Haynes feels we need to finish up what ordinances we are working on and not adopt any new ones until we can enforce the ones we have. He is getting tired of them not being enforced. Council Member Evans agreed with him. Mayor Dever said then we will get some traps and start catching some of these dogs and haul them off. A discussion took place on how to enforce the ordinance. Council Members Snell and Evans said there needs to be clear directives or SOP's to be followed. Mayor Dever wants this as an action item for Monday's Council Meeting. In the meantime, he will write a procedure for them to go over. Council Member Snell asked about enforcement and if it is okay to approach Attorney Mellor to see if she would want to take on prosecuting these cases. Council Member Nedreberg feels it's reasonable to work with the County Attorney and have court one day of the month with Attorney Mellor prosecuting the cases. Council Member Evans agrees if Attorney Mellor is willing to do it great but if not then we see if we can get someone who is willing to help. Council Member Haynes feels we need to look at all the costs including any court and attorney fees. These costs would be passed onto the pet owner. Mayor Dever said we will move forward with the dogs portion of it. He will contact Attorney Mellor to see what she is willing to do. Council Member Evans wants to include enforcement in general of everything for the city not just the animals. Council Member Snell said we need to set a goal to shoot for February 1st to get the information out to the citizens. Mayor Dever said he will get the procedures list done and talk to Attorney Mellor before the Council Meeting on Monday.

Review and Discussion on Re-establishing a Municipal Court

Tyler gave the Council some information on municipal courts. He said it appears that the city would need to write a letter of need to the State Justice System. There are a lot of requirements and costs for a municipal court building. Council Member Snell said he talked to the County Attorney, and we would need to make an application with the Administrative Office of the Courts with the State. Our Attorney would need to prosecute the cases. The County Attorney would be willing to work with us, and all our cases would be done once a month. There was a discussion on how it would work.

Review and Discussion of current applicants for Maintenance Technician Position

Recorder Bigler informed the Mayor & Council she had uploaded the applicants packets to Google Drive for them to look at. Council Member Snell suggested establishing the procedures and screening process at the Executive Session on Monday. The Council felt that was a good idea. Mayor Dever asked Recorder Bigler to put this as an Executive Session item on Monday's meeting.

Review and Discussion of City Council Committee Assignments

Mayor Dever didn't see a problem with the current assignments but asked the Council if they wanted to change. Council Member Evans was wondering if we should split buildings and city property to help Council Member Snell since he cannot easily access some of the buildings. Council Member Snell is willing to continue with his building assignments and may ask for help. The Council and Mayor said they would be willing to help him when needed. Council Member Evans was okay with that. Council Member Snell said we need to protect the assets we have. It should be the responsibility of the entire Council not just one person.

Mid-Year Budget Review

Recorder Bigler has uploaded the mid-year budget on Google Drive, but she does have some paper copies if anyone needs them. She also mentioned she had uploaded a County Fire Document concerning tree cutting from Lynn Elliott. The Council needs to review and make changes to it if needed. He will also need to be on the Council Meeting agenda when they vote on it. She will contact Lynn to see if he would come to Monday's Council Meeting to answer any questions. She will put him on the agenda. She let the Council know there are currently four different people who are on the agenda for the Council Meeting. One of them is Lindsey Andrus and she has four lots she would like to combine. She has been to the Planning Commission Meeting already. Council Member Nedreberg explained what she wanted to do. Recorder Bigler said combining the properties should be fine, but the zoning would need to change. Council Member Snell said the city does not have anything to do with combining property. Council Member Nedreberg said he would not be able to attend the next Planning Commission Meeting and needs to have a zoom link with permission to add people. Recorder Bigler will give him the information he needs and then set up a practice meeting to see if it works.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Nedreberg made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Haynes seconded. All in favor meeting adjourned.