

Present: Alderpersons John Alt and John Ellington
Absent: Alderperson Michael Zolper
Also Present: Mayor, Mike Palm; City Administrator, Edward Geick; Police Chief, Mark Schauf, Emily Truman, City Attorney and Finance Director, Cynthia Haggard

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Alt at 12:00PM CST., with roll call and noting compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

Moved by Ellington to approve the minutes of November 5, 2018, seconded by Alt and unanimously carried.

Motion by Ellington to approve agenda, seconded by Alt and unanimously carried.

Consider Request for Excessive Household Animals – Juergen Beyer.

Chief Schauf began with stating the Code allows the Administrative Committee to grant exceptions to the number of animals in certain circumstances. One of those circumstances is where there is a significant change in household that would cause the temporary action, which appears to be the case here. We have parents that live at 727 Walnut Street who have a dog of their own, then daughter moves in with 2 additional dogs.

The Police Department became aware of the situation when they responded to a call on the 1st of November referenced to barking and number of dogs at residence. The residents with excessive dogs was informed that the 2 dog rule existed and were told about the steps they needed to do to seek an exemption of the Code.

Proper documentation has been provided to show that the Veterinary needs have been met. The Police Officer involved believes the situation is temporary as the daughter is trying to find her own place.

Alt mentioned that one of the dogs was seriously ill. Chief Schauf affirmed and stated there would eventually be a natural reduction and also mentioned the problem could remedy itself before then. Since the initial complaint of barking dogs, there have been no more complaints.

Truman informed the Committee that the motion would be a recommendation to approve or deny to Council.

Motion to recommend the Council to consider request for Excessive Household Animals by Ellington, seconded by Alt and unanimously carried.

Member comments

The next meeting will be January 7, 2018 at 12:00PM CST. Meeting location will be 101 South Boulevard. Moved by Ellington to adjourn, seconded by Alt and unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:06PM CST.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Haggard, Finance Director