

Special Meeting

Minutes

BOARD OF ALDERMAN
CITY OF LONE JACK, MISSOURI
207 N. BYNUM ROAD LONE JACK, MISSOURI
December 06, 2016 at **9:00 am**

A. CALL TO ORDER- Doug Martin, Mayor

9:04 am

B. ROLL CALL

Alderman LaForce – Present
Alderman Krebbs - Present
Alderman Rodgers – Present
Alderman Holsten – Present
Mayor Martin- Present
Staff Present: S Carmack, P Campo, B Forbes, J Morris

C. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CONTINUANCES TO THE AGENDA

None

D. BUSINESS ITEMS:

**Mayor stated the time for each speaker would be limited to 3 minutes and they must be a citizen or stakeholder in the City limits.*

A) Discussion regarding Discharge of Firearms Ordinance

1) T Mattox - 601 N. Bynum Rd- I am against the change as presented and think we need to consider land owners. I plan to shoot raccoons or other animals that get in my barn or harm my livestock.

2) C Cummings- 303 E. LJ-LS Rd- Was hoping this was not so formal and wanted more personal discussion. I would consider a land size restriction if a majority agreement can be reached.

3) M Jackson-501 E. LJ-LS Rd- Usually 20 acres of more have exceptions in other cities for hunting such as Blue Springs and Raymore. I would like to know how may occurrences the city has had or is this just being proactive? Language to protect those in populated housing areas would be helpful but as a land owner I would like the ability to hunt and target shoot.

4) D Hayhurst-800 N. Walnut- I respect landowners and the right to bear arms. I am pro 2nd amendment. I would ask the mayor to ask Alderman Holsten to recues himself upon voting and note for the record if he votes it would be with prejudice. I am a concerned citizen with the

random/accidental discharge of firearms. I respect the decisions you make as the board and note that if you choose to ignore this, you will share the responsibility if an incident would occur. I ask that you protect the citizens of Lone Jack. There is no guarantee someone will not miss the intended target and the board will be guilty by association if an accident would happen.

**Alderman Krebbs viewed C Cummings property and feels his land is safe and appropriate for target shooting.*

5) C Cummings- Thank you for actually looking at my land. I try and make my set up safe for anyone shooting.

6) M Jackson- Accidents happen such as the Raymore incident and we cannot prevent accidents.

** Alderman Krebbs stated he feels the air rifle, sling shot language is too harsh and would like other a revision.*

**Alderman Rodgers feels setting land restrictions would be respectful to those who have large parcels of land. We have a wildlife reserve near our city limits where people are allowed to shoot and that discharge can travel out of their control. I do not want to violate any State regulations by taking away rights for hunting.*

7) T Mattox- Any ordinance you set will not stop irresponsible or stupid people.

**Alderman Holsten wants to thank those present for helping the board reach an agreement. I would ask " When, Where and Why?" When can you shoot, Where is appropriate and Why are we addressing this? to prevent crime? be proactive? I struggle with a complete ban on discharge as there are responsible people who are safe but understands we cannot prevent accidents from happening. I am willing to compromise on land size restrictions.*

**Alderman Krebbs moved to Lone Jack as it is a unique area. I have a hard time saying an accidental discharge will travel 1.5 mile given the terrain of the area. I do agree with populated areas safety. I do not agree with a complete ban on discharge. I feel large landowners should be allowed to shoot/hunt responsibly. We as a board need to determine what a large land owner is?*

**Alderman LaForce I do not own a gun, nor do I shoots guns but I do not think we can have a complete ban and do agree with a landowner language.*

8) Mr. Johnson is a Blue Springs Firearms instructor and stated 1 of the 4 Cardinal Rule for Safety is knowing your backstop and beyond.

9) Mr. Jackson- How can we enforce restrictions when honest good people cannot obey simple instructions such as no food or drink.

**Alderman Rodgers would like to suggest setting a 5 acre limit or less limit on no discharge.*

**Alderman Holsten would not limit the land as we have varied uses of land in the City.*

**Alderman Krebbs would like to see some of the air rifle/slingshot restrictions removed from the language.*

10) T Mattox suggested exceptions be made upon application to the police department.

**Alderman Laforce asked if anyone would be opposed to an application fee?*

11) Mr. Jackson said he agreed a fee may keep the random person from just applying for entertainment.

**Alderman Holsten appreciates the Citizen participation and hope they have an appreciation for the responsibility of the difficult decisions the board faces on behalf of the entire city, not just those in the room.*

**Mayor Martin requested the board to prepare language for an ordinance by 12/10/2016 to review and vote 12/15/16.*

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

None

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL FROM STAFF, OFFICERS, AND BOARDS:

Board Members: *None*

A) City Clerk:

1) Credit Card Request for Civic Center & City Maintenance Expenses

**Motion by Alderman Holsten, seconded by Alderman LaForce to approve the credit card request for Civic Center and City Maintenance with a max monthly limit of \$500.00 per card.*

Vote: 4- Aye

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

Employee/ Staff Holiday Dinner at Civic Center – Friday, December 16, 2016 at 2:00 pm
Special Meeting for Engineer Services Interviews - Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 9:00 am
Election Filing Dates: December 13th – January 17th

I. CLOSED SESSION

10:30 am

**On Motion by Alderman Rodgers, seconded by Alderman LaForce to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 610.021.2. Roll call vote as follows: Alderman LaForce: Aye; Alderman Krebbs: Aye; Alderman Rodgers; Aye; Alderman Holsten; Aye. Vote: 4-Aye*

Pursuant to RSMo: 610.021.2

10:51 am

**On Motion by Alderman Rodgers, seconded by Alderman LaForce to return to open Session pursuant to Section 610.021.2. Roll call vote as follows: Alderman LaForce: Aye; Alderman Krebbs: Aye; Alderman Rodgers; Aye; Alderman Holsten; Aye. Vote: 4-Aye*

J. ADJOURNMENT

11:00 am

**On Motion by Alderman Rodgers, seconded by Alderman Holsten to Adjourn.*

Vote: 4-Aye

**Minutes are subject to board approval.*

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