



Cold Spring Council Minutes September 9, 2024

Attendance:

- Present: Mayor Penque, Chris Ampfer, Lisa Cavanaugh, Dave Guidugli, Paul Kloeker, Cindy Moore, Adam Sandfoss, City Clerk Robin Morency, Public Works Director Ron Hitch, Police Chief Steve Collinsworth, and City Attorney Brandon Voelker
- Not Present: City Administrator Steve Taylor,

The September 9, 2024 caucus meeting was called to order by Mayor Penque at 7:30pm.

Prayer and pledge were led by the City Clerk

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda: None.

Citizen Comments: None.

Recognition of Scheduled Guests:

- Matt Lehman, who is Newport resident and the democratic candidate for State Representative in the 67th district thanked mayor and council for everything they do and hopes to have a good working relationship with them. He reminded everyone to vote November 5, 2024.

Old Business:

- Back-yard chicken discussion – Council received ordinances from surrounding cities and a draft ordinance for review. Chris Ampfer stated that he does not have any issues with allowing backyard chickens. Dave Guidugli has concerns with the setback requirements, and suggested changes were discussed. Council also discussed animal control, coop and fencing requirements, potential predators, potential neighbor complaints, inspections, applications and permits, code enforcement procedures, how many chickens a resident can have, and how it will be handled for those residents who already have chickens. Mayor Penque asked council to send in any recommendations or changes for the draft ordinance.

New Business: None.

Committee Report: None.

Follow Up Citizen Comments:

- Dave Woughter (resident) does not feel that this is an issue that can be avoided knowing that some residents already have chickens, he thinks that there should be a vote and the ordinance should be enforced.
- Lou Gerding (resident) said that there should be stiff penalties for chicken owners. He added that residents will not complain on their neighbor because they do not want to cause issues with their neighbors. Mr. Gerding pointed out code issues in the city and suggests that code enforcement seek training.
- The gentleman from Lifeline Pharmacy asked for an update on the zone change at 136 Plaza. Mr. Voelker stated that council took no action, therefor it will go into effect based on planning and zonings recommendation, after the 90 day clock runs out, which should be September 12 or 13.

Police Department Comments:



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- Mr. Guidugli asked inquired about an incident in the city.
- Cindy Moore asked how school zone patrolling is going and thanked the department for their good work.
- Paul Kloeker inquired about the new officer. Chief Collinsworth stated he is still in field training and should be finishing up soon.

Council Comments:

- Cindy Moore said she has received concern with the pickleball courts chipping. Ron Hitch said he is aware and they are working on getting that fixed. There was discussion about wind netting and shelter at the courts. Ms. Moore asked about the status of Cold Spring Pointe. Chief Collinsworth said that the blasting is on hold at this time, so they can move dirt; he will keep everyone updated as to when they are going to restart. There was discussion about planning and zoning commission status of the MUPD review. Mr. ~~Voeley~~ urged council to attend the next meeting. Cindy Moore shared good news, that the adoption of her cousin has been made official after many years.
- Paul Kloeker asked about Pups in the Park, it is September 20 from 6pm to 8pm.
- Chris Ampfer asked if any new businesses have been announced, there has not been any at this time. There was discussion about the new light being placed at the oral surgeon location.
- Adam Sandfoss shared concerns with the port-a-potty at the lake park, he would like to see a new one placed there if possible.
- Dave Guidugli asked if there are any updates with the playground committee. Ron Hitch said he is currently working on a bid notice. Mr. Guidugli and Chief Collinsworth discussed police detail payment and Mr. Guidugli asked that the dumpster at Shell and house at Marian Drive be looked at by code enforcement.
- Lisa Cavanaugh agreed with Mr. Woughter that ordinances should be enforced and the chicken ordinance needs to be specific if they decide to move forward.

Attorney Comments: None.

Mayor Comments:

- Pups in the Park will be September 20 from 6pm – 8pm. Mayor Penque shared that the city has received a generous donation to buy a pickleball mat for indoor pickleball. Mr. Hitch stated that the mat is still being researched to make sure that it will be suitable for the gym.

Adjournment:

- Mayor Penque adjourned the meeting at 8:45pm.

Approved:

Robin Morency

City Clerk:

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Mayor:

[Signature]

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