

DRAFT COPY - SUBJECT TO COMMITTEE APPROVAL

BOARD: TAZEWELL COUNTY

COMMITTEE: LAND USE

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Terry Hillegonds, K. Russell Crawford, Rosemary Palmer, Greg Sinn, and Sue Sundell.

ABSENT: Monica Connett, Andrew Rinehart

STAFF PRESENT: Kristal Deininger, Community Development Administrator; Kyle Smith, Land Use Planner; James Newman, ZBA Chairman; Mike Holly, Assistant States Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Hullcraz, Municipal Addressing Services, Inc.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hillegonds called the meeting to Order at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES: Moved by Sundell, seconded by Palmer, to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2013 Land Use Meeting. On voice vote, **motion declared carried.**

COMM DEVP ADMIN:

Amendment 40 Update

Administrator Deininger stated there have been no requests for Special Use for chickens since the adoption of the Ordinance. Ms. Deininger stated there have been 4 Notice of Violations issued with regards to individuals placing chicken on their property which were noncompliant, however none of the properties met the criteria to apply for a Special Use and subsequently removed the chickens.

Proposed 911 Address Display Ordinance

Administrator Deininger stated approximately 10-15 years ago the County looked into an ordinance for display of 911 addresses. Mr. Deininger stated the County did not proceed at that time however it was being brought back for the County to consider once again. Ms. Deininger said the ordinance was for discussion purposes only at this time and for only the unincorporated areas of the County. Ms. Deininger noted if the Ordinance was adopted, a mass mailing and a press release would need to be done to ensure notification to all residents within the unincorporated areas. Mr. Deininger added her office would then work to enforce the ordinance by checking all properties in the County. Ms. Deininger showed the Committee photos of particular signs that do not require J.U.L.I.E. being notified. Ms. Deininger stated the primary intent of the Ordinance was to require residents in the unincorporated areas to display their 911 numbered house address to ensure that each home is easily identifiable for emergency services in addition to many other reasons.

Member Crawford questioned who would pay for the numbers and if homeowners could refuse to comply. Mr. Crawford stated this ordinance made a lot of sense and that he was concerned of a liability issue if Variances were to be approved. Mr. Crawford said allowing more time to residents to comply may be necessary.

Steve Hullcraz of Municipal Addressing Services, Inc. appeared and stated Marshall and Woodford County each proceeded differently with a 911 ordinance. Woodford had purchased signs and placed them at each property where Marshall County offers to purchase the signs for residents at address issuance, or residents can purchase their own. Mr. Hullcraz stated Marshall Counties approach seemed to work well for the residents. Mr. Hullcraz said he does not like using separate poles for each sign as he would prefer existing structures be utilized. Mr. Hullcraz said no certain color was specified as long as numbers were at least 4 inch high contrast numbers, due to the need to be clearly visible during evening hours. Mr. Hullcraz added this was a public safety issue that was long past due.

Chairman Hillegonds stated he questioned the 80' measurement and if that were too strict a measurement. Mr. Hillegonds said there would not be a lot of cost associated with homeowners purchasing numbers.

Member Sinn asked if municipalities were included. Mr. Sinn stated he felt more time should be given for review and consideration of the Ordinance prior to adopting.

Mike Holly stated he has reviewed the ordinance and the County had the authority to enforce an ordinance such as this. The ordinance expressed the Governments acknowledgement there is a need for this public service issue.

Discussion was held as to the creation of a flyer to mail to residents notifying them of the adoption of the ordinance. It was also discussed compiling examples of appropriate and inappropriate signs and various places to obtain the correct signs or numbers.

Member Sundell suggested July 1, 2013 as an implementation date rather than May.

Following discussion, moved by Crawford, seconded by Sundell to recommend approval of adopting the 911 Address Display Ordinance to the Tazewell County Board. On voice vote, **motion declared carried.**

STAFF REPORT:

Administrator Deininger presented the Committee a Staff Report detailing revenues, expenses and other office related activity over the last month and year.

BILLS:

Moved by Sinn, seconded by Sundell, to approve the bills for the Community Development Department as submitted. On voice vote, **motion declared carried.**

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Land Use Committee will be held on **Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.** in the 3rd Floor Jury Meeting Room of the McKenzie Building.

RECESS:

There being no further business, the meeting recessed at 5:31 p.m.

Kristal Deininger, Secretary

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