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Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes for 6/20/24

Members attending: Brandon Williams, Mike Thomas, Rachel Johnson, Shelly Sercombe, Phil Preston

1. **Approve minutes from 5/28/24 – Minutes from 5/28/2024 were approved by all.**
2. **Review following topics, based upon meeting between Eric White, Twp attorney & Phil.**

Disorderly Persons: CH 36. Police, was unanimously approved to go to the Board for First Read. Primary change was to address grass being blown onto roads from mowing.

Cemetery – no action.

The cemetery ordinance has several changes suggested by the Clerk's office and was reviewed in detail. Dave will incorporate further changes and updates for a second committee review. ACTION: When ready, updates to be reviewed by Ordinance Committee & Eric prior to first read.

Special Events / Large gathering Ordinance.

Discussion: concern for social media gatherings was discussed. Will this be effective for spontaneous events / gatherings? Can the O. be worded for "any gatherings in an area" – does a social media event qualify as an "Event"? Spontaneous events will not have filled out a special event permit. Action: Phil to review with Eric White (attorney) for possible change. Review the Ordinance just adopted by the City of Jackson for comparison.

Fireworks

It was agreed that the Fireworks O will be updated to include Display fireworks. Input from Attorney Eric White is requested. Some form of a check list will be included as a guide to determine safety & community noise impact as part of an approval process. This would be referenced in Special Events if the event intended to use Display fireworks. ACTION: Eric to provide wording for inclusion of Display Fireworks.

Blight: CH 55. Property Use, Part 2. Blight elimination was unanimously approved to go to the Board for First Read. Primary change is to enforcement, changing from a misdemeanor to a municipal civil infraction.

Minutes recorded by Phil Preston.

Next meeting Tentatively July 11, 5:30 upstairs conference room.