



**Office of Jim Grafton
City Administrator ▪ Public Works Director**

Date: 9-10-18

Re: Ordinance Meeting

Attendance: Mayor Carter, Ian Pavelonis, Tony Trulson, Kathy Hall, Larry York, Caryn Unsicker, Joshua Dyer, Rick Lohse, Chief VanKlaveren, Jim Grafton

Location: City Hall 121 11th Street

Chairman Pavelonis called the meeting to order at 5:30pm and noted a quorum was present for two agenda items.

The first item was discussion on ordinance 2018-45 amending chapter 74 'Solid Waste' Article 2 'Collection and Disposal' section 70-74 'Deposits on Public Streets'. A copy of the proposed ordinances was distributed for committee review. Fines for grass would be subject to \$75 fine. Committee suggested a warning first time, next time offense or repeat \$25 (officer discretion). The Chief cited an example of a situation that happened last week with a complaint of grass in the street. Through research it was found that an ordinance (for grass on roadways) was not in place. There was some discussion on the State Citation. The police can issue a \$50 state citation. Mayor Carter asked who would get the funds from a State Citation (Chief not sure) Alderman Dyer said that he received the complaint...he does not see the need for the ordinance (based on one complaint). Alderman Trulson does not support another ordinance. The Mayor said that he has had more than one complaint about the grass in the streets. The Chief would speak with his officers about the state citation and Trish would be able to warn violators. No action was taken on the proposed ordinance.

The second item for discussion was the ordinance 'Abandoned & Nuisance Vehicle' amending Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances. The Chief explained the changes to the existing ordinance and the need for the revision. The Chief explained that this ordinance needed to be updated. There is no change when a vehicle is on a public way. This ordinance allows police to enter private property to tag abandoned vehicles; we have to prove that the vehicle is a nuisance. The proposed ordinance was reviewed by our city attorney. The process; homeowner is informed of the nuisance vehicle, then taken to a judge to issue a warrant, tow tag placed on the vehicle and within a week it can be towed away. Again, if visible to the public is the key factor in determining a nuisance vehicle. The CSO would be able to do most of the work. Alderman Trulson asked if we were to add this step...will it be enforced? The Chief would be working with staff in East Moline for training on how to handle the abandoned vehicles. Committee recommendation was to place the ordinance on the September 18th COW agenda for consideration. There were no other topics for discussion and the meeting was adjourned at 6:01pm.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Grafton".

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