

Harlowton City Ordinance Committee Minutes
June 11, 2019
Harlowton City Hall
6:00pm

Rob Elwood called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. Minutes of the May 14, 2019 Ordinance Committee meeting were approved as written.

There was no public comment.

The ordinance committee reviewed the 2nd reading of ordinance 2-2019 regarding snow removal. There were no changes. Committee will recommend 2nd reading at regular council meeting on June 11, 2019 (as already on council meeting agenda).

A draft ordinance regarding domestic livestock within city limits was discussed. Karen will check with local law enforcement and local doctors of veterinary medicine (DVM) on impounding of non-domestic animals. Section 8.04.030 says a DVM will impound non-domestic animals; however, our local DVM's may not be able to or licensed to have non-domesticated animals. Also local law enforcement may not be equipped to deal with non-domesticated animals. Discussion regarding setting a time limit for each variance granted to this ordinance was held. Committee agrees that every variance needs to have a time limit or circumstance that voids the variance.

A draft ordinance regarding repealing ordinance 83 was presented by Karen Hammel. There were no changes noted.

First reading of livestock and repealing of 83 ordinance will be held at the regularly scheduled council meetings on July 9, 2019.

Further discussion regarding Title 10 – traffic regulations was held. Chapter 10.08.080 regarding U Turns/J Turns will remain as currently written. Chapter 10.08.110 will add clarifying language regarding law enforcement and gender of employees (men vs. persons). Karen will research if 10.08.110 regarding prohibiting officers from proceeding at rates of speed as necessary, is covered under current MT laws. Current chapter includes employees as well as law enforcement. Chapter 10.08.140 regarding reporting accidents to police department will be removed if it is covered under MT laws. Chapter 10.08.120 regarding penalties will be moved to a more appropriate location within the title with minimum penalty increasing to \$50.00. Ordinance 1-2010 will be redone excluding Section 1 (c) as the original ordinance may not have been enacted correctly. Drafting of an ordinance for this chapter will wait until all current traffic municipal codes are reviewed.

No discussion on Chapter 7 regarding sewer regulations was held.

No further review took place.

Next ordinance committee meeting will be July 9, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Harlowton City Hall. Rob Elwood will be out of the country on June 25, 2019 when the next regular ordinance committee would have been meeting. 1st reading of ordinance regarding domestic livestock will be reviewed and presented to full council. 1st reading of ordinance repealing previous ordinance 83 will be reviewed and presented to full council. Continued discussion on traffic ordinances and sewer ordinances will be held.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Committee Members Present: Frank Brouillette, Rob Elwood

City: Paul Otten, Ian Reed, Kathie Newland, Karen Hammel

Sheriff's Office:

Public Present:

Other Council Present: John Anderson (6:50), Charley Bennett (6:40), Jim Kalitowski (6:53), Ron Teig (6:50)

Rob Elwood, Committee Chair

Kathie Newland, Clerk