

JUNE 29, 2022  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
NOON-VIA ZOOM

Mayor Slinker called the special meeting to order at 12:14 p.m. on June 29, 2022 via zoom.

Mayor Slinker called the roll:

Ward One: Nathan Volkart-absent, Bryan Bradford-here  
Ward Two: Melissa Old-here, Stephanie Bell-here  
Ward Three: Rick Lewis-here, David Wilson -here

Staff Present: Darla Sapp, City Clerk and Kyle Michel, City Administrator

Mayor Slinker reported this is for a Commercial Fireworks application for the Southern Boone Area YMCA. He informed the Board they have had to struggle to get this fireworks event wrapped up due to Mr. Parks not being able to host. He stated the YMCA has agreed to host a display and pay a portion of the insurance, they are using \$500 from the remaining funds from last year's display through the Ashland Optimist Club to help pay for the insurance needed. He stated he had a sponsor that stepped up to make this event possible.

He stated there would be no funding from the City for this event. He explained the location the fireworks would be shot on the YMCA property. He stated there would be Kono Ice and possibly other food trucks available. Mayor Slinker reported the fire department would be on site. Alderwoman Old questioned the distance from the school. She expressed her concerns of the application not being submitted under the requirements of the Code. She stated this is a bad practice and did not think just because it was the Mayor's project this should be approved. She stated it sets a bad precedence. She also expressed concern for veterans and the noise. She also expressed aggravation of this being promoted on Facebook before it was even presented to the Board. She also expressed concern of closing Main Street. Mayor Slinker explained the reason for the sudden change of plans is because Mr. Parks was going to do the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event at Lakeside Ashland but was unable to do so. He stated they scrambled together to get something and Jose Jalapenos sponsored the fireworks. He stated closing the street he felt was a safety issue. He stated he attended the block party at Body Flow and people were continually crossing the road and felt it was unsafe. Alderwoman Bell questioned the money left over from last year. Mayor Slinker reported it was through the Optimist Club. Alderman Lewis questioned if there was a rain date with the forecast predicting rain. Mayor Slinker stated they would look at incorporating it with the fall festival. Alderwoman Bell questioned what day and time. Mayor Slinker reported it would be Sunday, July 3 at dusk. He asked people to be there around 7:30 p.m. Kyle Michel, City Administrator, reported the distance from the school is over 1100 feet, which is well outside the 600 feet required.

Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments.

Alderman Bradford made motion and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the Commercial Fireworks application for the YMCA for July 3, 2022. Alderman Bradford-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderwoman Old-no, Alderman Volkart-absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Bradford made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bell to adjourn the meeting.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Dorise Slinker, Mayor