

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

July 8, 2015

3:15 P.M.

Present: Roger Williamson, Council Member; Ginny Bissett, Council Member, Brad Harris, Council Member, Brett Lester, Police Chief; Todd Hillman, Fire Chief and David Faber, City Manager

Absent: None

The committee reviewed the current state guidelines for the use of fireworks within the city boundaries. A local unit of government with a population of less than 50,000 located in a county of less than 750,000 may regulate the ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. The city cannot set shorter hours of use of fireworks during the day before, day of and day following any of the 13 yearly national holidays. The city, however, could extend the hours of use during these 3 day periods. The Fire Chief does have the authority to ban the use of fireworks if it is a safety factor towards life and/or property.

The committee also addressed the current ordinance of mowing grass at 6 inches. The committee will recommend to council to that our ordinance be changed back to 8 inches and that notification be attached to the window or door of the property in violation.

Meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

Submitted by Ginny Bissett