

STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF HUERFANO
CITY OF WALSENBURG
Special Session Meeting
June 30, 2010 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem England called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Council members present were: Rick Jennings, Silvana Lind, Nick Vigil, David Mockmore, and Craig Lessar. Mayor Quintana, Erin Jerant, and James Moore were absent. Others in attendance were Assistant City Administrator Beth Neece.

Mayor Pro Tem England wanted to bring to Council's attention that staff is currently writing a grant for a police officer. This will be a layoff rehire for a 90-day term. The officer is aware of the situation and knows that we will do what we can to keep him around after it's said and done. This will pay for his entire salary for that 90 day time frame.

CITIZEN FORUM

No one signed in to speak.

Unfinished Business

David Mockmore moved, seconded by Silvana Lind, that

RESOLUTION NO. 2010 R-3

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE ONE HUNDRED-TWENTY DAY MORATORIUM ON ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS LICENSES FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES OR ANY BUSINESS DESIRING TO DISTRIBUTE, SELL OR TRANSFER ANY FORM OF MARIJUANA FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Colorado Constitution has been amended by the people of the state of Colorado to allow for the use of medical marijuana; and

WHEREAS, the city requires time to establish appropriate rules and regulations to address the operation of entities commonly known as medical marijuana dispensaries; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that this process will take approximately one-hundred-twenty days.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WALSENBURG CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

1. A moratorium is hereby established for a period of one-hundred-twenty days from the date of execution of this resolution on the issuance of any business license for any business desiring to establish a medical marijuana dispensary or other business regardless of name or title the intent of which is to distribute, sell or transfer any form of marijuana for medical purposes.
2. The city attorney is directed to prepare a proposed ordinance providing rules and regulations for medical marijuana dispensaries so that it can be timely considered before the end of the moratorium.
3. The city clerk and deputy clerk are hereby instructed not to issue any business licenses for said purposes until the end of this moratorium, or where an ordinance

is passed prior to the end of the moratorium, until said ordinance is in full force and effect.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 30th day of June, 2010.

Mayor Pro Tem, City of Walsenburg

ATTEST:

City Clerk/Deputy Clerk

be adopted and published in the paper of record. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0.

Councilman Lessar asked about the person hired for the utilities office. There was a brief discussion regarding the reason she was hired, her salary, the reason the position was not advertised and whether she will be retained once a Finance Director is hired. Since it is a personnel matter, Ms. Neece was not prepared to discuss it further in open session.

Regarding Resolution R-3, Larry Patrick from the Huerfano World Journal asked whether there is a limit on the number of times you can extend a moratorium. Mr. England replied that there is not.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Hearing none and with no further items on the agenda, the City Council meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

CITY OF WALSENBURG

ATTEST:

James England,
Mayor Pro Tem

Lori Sheldon
City Clerk

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