

Fair Grove Planning and Zoning Open Meeting

81 S. Orchard
Fair Grove, MO
March 6, 2023

Roll call taken by Chairman Don Brite.

Present: Shawn McCormick, Dennis Roe, Darrin Moyers, Paul Foreman, Steve Short.

Absent: Travis Lee, John Hayes.

Meeting called to order at 6:33

PUBLIC PORTION – Public may speak on any item on this agenda.

Approve Planning and Zoning minutes from June 6, 2022 and Special meeting September 20, 2022:

Motion by Short to approve June 6, 2022 and Special meeting September 20, 2022 minutes. Second Roe.

Discussion: none.

Foreman aye, McCormick aye, Short aye, Moyers aye, Roe aye, Brite aye.

Jacob Phillips with Southwest Missouri Council of Government (SMCOG) speaking on Comprehensive Plan:

Jacob Phillips Associate Planner and Project Manager for Comprehensive Plans with SMCOG, addressed the Commission about revisiting Fair Grove's Comprehensive Plan. Current Plan is from 2017/2018. Phillips talked of Greene County ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds being available and

Hayes arrived 6:42

grants that SMCOG has applied for; one for Comprehensive Plans and another for a study of Rural Housing. Each would include Ash Grove, Walnut Grove and Fair Grove with \$22,000.00 per town for Plans and \$34,000.00 per town for the Study. Rural Housing Study would be done prior to revisiting/updating/writing Comprehensive Plans. If funding is awarded, there would be no cost to the City. Phillips will keep the City updated. Roe asked if Master Plans could be done. Phillips said those are detailed and are usually under a Compressive Plan which is not detailed so they are not usually included or done.

Phillips discussed a pilot program that SMCOG has launched called On Call Planning. They act as an On Call Planner for City's that do not have and/or cannot afford a City Planner. With this On-Call program, they can review business license, permits, codes, etc. to make sure they are compliant and match up with our codes along with writing/amending new and old codes; all of which would go through City Attorney, Planning and Zoning and/or Board of Aldermen as required. The amount is \$45 per hour with options/set amounts and a contract being drawn up by SMCOG and presented to Board of Aldermen. Short asked Phillips if this service would include updating/writing codes for new marijuana laws in accordance with Amendment 3, Recreational Marijuana. Phillips said yes and if so, the Police Department would also be consulted. Short stated this may need to be put on next month's agenda to which Chairman Brite agreed.

Phillips wanted to inform the Commission about a State initiated program SMCOG is helping with called Connecting All Missourians. It is a significant initiative to secure high-speed internet access for underserved and/or rural communities.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Foreman. Second McCormick

All ayes. Adjourned at 7:36

Darra Justice, Clerk