MINUTES

OCTOBER 16, 2023

CITY OF SENOIA

MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

505 HOWARD ROAD

7:00 PM COUNCIL MEETING

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**COUNCIL PRESENT: MAYOR PEARMAN, COUNCILPERSONS GROVER, BRADY AND FOUST**

1. **WELCOME VISITORS/CALL TO ORDER**

* Mayor Pearman declared this to be an open meeting duly convened under the Open Meetings Law after receiving confirmation from the City Clerk that all legal requirements were met.

1. **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 16, 2023, AGENDA**

Motion to approve agenda made by Councilperson Brady and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried with four votes.

1. **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 2, CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Motion to approve minutes made by Councilperson Grover and 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.

1. **CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY-**One claim against the City.
2. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
3. Rockhouse Beverage-Variances
4. Applicant is seeking a variance to allow the front building setback to be 30 feet for Hwy 16 as shown on the site plan and to allow the front building setback to be 60 feet for Rockhouse Rd as shown on the site plan. No comments from council. No public comments. Motion to approve variance request for setback to be 30 feet for Hwy. 16 made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Brady. Motion carries with 4 votes in favor. Motion to approve variance request for setback to be 60 feet for Rockhouse Road made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Grover. Motion carries with 4 votes.
5. Applicant is seeking a variance to allow mass grading and a variance to allow removal of trees as shown on site plan and proposes to double the req’d buffer from 15-feet to 30-feet between the development and the adjacent residential neighborhood. No comment from public. No comment from council. Motion to approve variance requests made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Grover. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.
6. Applicant is seeking a variance to allow the 8-foot wide sidewalk along Hwy 16 to be placed on a public access easement as shown on the site plan and seeking a variance to allow the sidewalk width along Rockhouse Road to be 5-foot wide as shown on the site plan. No comment from public. No comment from Council. Mayor Pearman proposed a 12 ft. wide multiuse trial for connection with Counch’s Hill subdivision. Mayor Pearman made motion to approve the Hwy. 16 easement and eliminate the 5 ft. sidewalk on Rockhouse road side in lieu of a 12 ft multiuse path and motion 2nd by Councilperson Foust. Motion carried with 4 votes.
7. Applicant is seeking a variance to allow the bio-retention pond to be located no closer than 30 feet to the property boundary as shown on the site plan. Councilperson Grover asked who would be responsible for upkeep. City Engineer, Dana Johnson, says developer will be responsible. No more comments from Council. No public comment. Councilperson Grover made motion to approve and 2nd by Councilperson Brady. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.
8. Lot 1 at Village West-Mayor Pearman made motion to table issue. Motion 2nd by Councilperson Grover. Motion carries with 4 votes.
9. Big Peach-Final approval of site plan, landscape plan, building elevations and materials.

No comments from public. No comments from council. Mayor Pearman made motion to approve final site plan, landscape plan, building elevations and materials. Motion was 2nd by Councilperson Brady. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. Christmas Luncheon, December 15th. No comments from council. No comments from public. Motion to approve made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Grover. Motion carried with 4 votes in favor.
3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Alive at 5 to be the third Friday of October.

October 23rd, City Hall will delay opening until 10:30am due to scheduled power outage

Halloween Tot Parade

1. **ADJOURN**

No other appearances from the floor.

Motion to adjourn made by Mayor Pearman and 2nd by Councilperson Brady. Motion carried with 4 votes.

Attest:

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City Clerk, D. Lynn Carter Mayor, William “Dub” Pearman, III