

MINUTES

1. *Call to order and Roll Call*

The meeting was called to order by Todd Novak at 5:00 pm.

Members Present: Novak, DeVoss, Meuer, Tiber, Humke, Kratochwill

Members not present: Staver, Boehnen

Others Present: Larry Gilles-City of Dodgeville Building Inspector, Amanda Gander – applicant for conditional use permit

2. *Approval of Minutes from June 5, 2023*

Motion by: DeVoss, Second by: Humke

Motion Carried.

3. Public hearing to review a Conditional Use Permit application submitted by Amanda Gander.

The applicant requests a conditional use permit to operate a dog sitting business with up to 11 dogs owned by others on the property at a time. The property is located at 414 East Spring Street with a legal description of Lot 1, CSM 1634-11CS-271. The property is zoned R-1, and is the applicant's place of residence. Pursuant to sec. 17.13(b)(6) of the zoning code, a conditional use permit is required to operate a home occupation within the R-1 district.

Amanda is a stay at home mom, has one child with autism. She is unable to work outside the home, so looking to open this dog sitting business to make some extra income. She states that she currently only watches up to 6 dogs at a time (2 of her own, and 4 that are owned by others). She has an enclosed back yard, in which 3 dogs are in the yard at a time. The remaining 3 dogs are in the house. The property that she resides at (414 East Spring St) is a total of 3.17 acres.

4. Public hearing regarding proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 17 of the Municipal Code of the City of Dodgeville, Iowa County, Wisconsin relating to zoning regulation.

This was tabled

5. Adjourn the public hearing.

Motion by Humke, Second by Meuer

Motion Carried

6. Discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council on the Conditional Use Permit application submitted by Amanda Gander to operate a dog sitting business in the R-1 district.

Todd made a motion to approve application submitted by Amanda Gander to allow this proposal as a home occupation under the following conditions:

- Limiting the number of dogs allowed on the property at a time to 12
- Requiring any dogs living within the City to be licensed by the City or that the applicant obtain proof of rabies vaccination if the dogs live outside the City
- Require Bordetella vaccines, to prevent kennel cough, due to the amount of dogs in close proximity with each other
- Limiting the amount of dogs allowed outside to no more than 2 at time
- Requiring the area that dogs are allowed outside to be fenced in
- Limiting where on the property the dogs can be let outside (only in the backyard)
- Imposing requirements that prevent or mitigate potential noise nuisances.
- Limiting the hours of operation - Plan Commission approved 7am to 6pm, 7 days a week
- Requiring the applicant to consent to inspections to ensure compliance with the conditions. (Larry Gilles will be performing these inspections)
- Imposing requirements for how the animals can be stored at the residence (such as size of cages, etc). Plan Commission approved storing them in the house, in the outdoor fenced area, or with Amanda outside with them.
- Prohibiting dogs with certain undesirable traits, i.e. vicious dogs and habitual barking

These conditions should only be on a minimum property size of 3 acres or more and with no more than 4 dogs per acre up to a maximum of no more than 20 dogs. Dogs who are owned by residents of the City must be licensed within the City, and dogs owned by residents outside of the City must be fully vaccinated and show proof of vaccination and licensure within another township/city.

Motion by Todd, Second by Humke
Motion Carried

7. Discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council on the proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 17 of the Municipal Code of the City of Dodgeville, Iowa County, Wisconsin, relating to zoning regulation.

This was tabled

8. Adjourn & Next Meeting Date
Motion by Humke, Second by Tiber
Motion carried. Time 5:15pm