

**SPECIAL CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 19, 1999-6:00 P.M. - CITY HALL**

AGENDA

Commission working session for Board of Code Administration, (BOCA)

Mayor McCay introduced Steve Hunter who represents the City-County Planning Commission and ask him to explain the functions of this Board to the commission.

Mr. Hunter said the main purpose of the Board was to enforce the cleanup of junk cars, junk and trash in general, old tires, dilapidated buildings and/or structures. He said the Board had been actively working at this enforcement and it seems to be working well. He said normally all that is necessary to correct a problem is to notify the person that they are in violation and without correcting it they will be fined. He added that both Warren County and Bowling Green had adopted the ordinance and it was working very well for both of them. He ask the commission to remember that the city currently doesn't have the power to enforce fine violations, and they do. Mayor McCay then ask the commission for their comments on this subject. Comm. Cooke said he felt it was a serious matter and it needed to be looked at in depth, he added that his opinion was that Judge Buchannon would take control of the city, and that the Judge was definitely for Metro Government. The Mayor ask Comm. Cooke if he was saying that the Code Enforcement Board was a subversive plot on the part of County Judge Executive Buchannon to take control of the city. Comm. Cooke replies yes, he is for Metro Government, he is a metro man. Comm. Martin agreed that it definitely needed to be looked into and studied in depth by all of the commissioners. Comm. Howard said he felt there were obviously some misconceptions and it needed some further studying. He wants the ordinance to be in simple, understandable language which is easy to read. He added he felt it was critical that Smiths Grove have control. These things being the case, he felt it was a very good idea. The Mayor said he felt it needed to be addressed in the immediate future. Steve Hunter suggested that maybe the commission would want to consider adopting Sections 1-2-3 for the city.

Mayor McCay then floored a motion the commission table Ordinance #99-1 910.4 - which refers to the adoption of BOCA until the Code Enforcement Board presents their contract to the city, seconded by Comm. Howard. Roll call and vote - Cooke yes, Martin yes, McCay yes, Howard yes.

First reading Ordinance #99-2620.10 amending Ordinance # 99-1620.9 relating to removal of weeds bushes and grass.

The above stated ordinance was read by the Mayor and he commented the only changes were the ability to take offenders to civil court. He then presented a motion the first reading of this ordinance be accepted for a second reading. The second reading of this ordinance will be heard at the regularly. Scheduled commission meeting 8/23/1999.

With no further business to be presented a motion to adjourn was heard.

APPROVED: _____
Walter J. McCay, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dorothy J. Nell, City Clerk