

ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

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Minutes
April 17, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 4:35 and a quorum was determined

Discussion

Solid Waste Disposal Ordinance

- Attorney Futner stated that she contacted all trash haulers who service Southington. Only one, AJ Waste, responded stating that he had no knowledge of such an ordinance and saw no need, since the state heavily regulates waste disposal.
- The DEEP Ordinance requires a \$1,000 fine for either hauler or customer who does not comply. Committee members stated that since residents are confused about proper disposal policy, this would be an unfair action.
- Attorney Futner also stated that she does not know of any towns that have passed this Ordinance
- The Committee stated that while they support waste disposal policy, further education and clarification is needed by the state before increased enforcement is considered
- The Committee unanimously decided to table this issue

Banning Plastic Bags

- The state is still considering banning plastic bags as part of its budget discussions
- The Committee decided to table this issue until the state decides if it will go forward with this policy

Adjustment of Dates for Winter Parking Ban

- Current winter parking ban is from Oct 15th until April 15th
- Deputy Chief Palmieri recommended keeping this policy as is for several reasons
 - It is consistent and has established compliant behavior
 - If changed, an education process would have to be developed and implemented, adding unnecessary work on the police department
 - If residents are notified via the media of parking bans on an individual storm basis, they may not hear it or say they weren't aware of it, causing increased violations
 - There have been very few, if any complaints, regarding the policy throughout the years
- The Committee decided to maintain the current policy

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm. No meeting will be scheduled in May unless new agenda suggestions are sent to the chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Lounsbury