

Rutland City Charter & Ordinance Committee

January 12, 2023, Meeting

Members Present: Chair Savage, Alderwoman Tadio, Alderman Cupoli

Others Present: President Donges, Alderwoman Davis, Alderman Talbot, Alderman Barbagallo, Alderman Depoy, Attorney Bloomer

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM.

The Charter and Ordinance Committee met to review the proposed Parking Ordinance and approve the language for the newspaper warning of the changes. Attorney Bloomer stated that in reviewing the charter he discovered it needed updating to include the definitions of the terms “parking app” and “parking kiosk,” and to allow the use of credit cards and other payments through a parking app. Alderman Talbot asked if the language needed to be more vague to take into consideration the use of any future means of collection for parking. Attorney Bloomer said it was difficult to account for unknown and new technologies. Attorney Bloomer also said the language was needed in the ordinance to clarify those persons with purple hearts or prisoner of war license plates are not obligated to pay for parking at parking meters and parking kiosks, as well as allowing the police chief to designate someone outside of the department to collect the deposited money and assigning responsibility to the city treasurer for parking payments made by credit cards, the parking app, and other electronic means. Adding parking kiosk and parking app-related expenses to the list of items for which parking meter funds can be used was also added.

Alderman Barbagallo asked about the different zoning for parking and if people would be able to pay past the timed zoning allowances with the app. Alderman Talbot explained that we would work with Park Mobile to determine the zones and timed charging. Alderman Talbot also said that the city has mapped all the available metered spaces.

Alderwoman Tadio made the motion to send the new parking ordinances to the full board for approval pending the changes to the draft suggested by Alderman Talbot.

Alderman Cupoli made the motion to send the statement which will appear in the newspaper warning of the new parking ordinance to the full board for approval.

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 PM.