

Meeting Minutes

Public Protection Committee

Monday, March 14, 2005 - 6:00 P.M.

City Water Department - 300 Bliss Avenue Present: Chairman Rackow, Alderpersons Sevenich, Markham, Wiza, Sowieja

Also Present: Mayor Wescott, City Attorney Molepske, Police Captain Dowling, Kari Yenter, Comptroller-Treasurer Schlice, Chief Morris, Chief Barnes, Directors Gardner, Schrader, Euclide, Halverson; Alderpersons Walther, Barr, Molski, Stroik, Barber, Moore; Personnel Specialist Jakusz, Administrative Assistant Ostrowski, Peggy Rentz, George Hanson, Douglas Stingle, Roger Trzebiatowski, Christopher Robinson, John Moe, Jami Gebert, John Tomaszewski, Gene Kemmeter (Portage County Gazette), Kelly McBride (Journal)

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  - B. "Class B" Beer and Liquor license for Golden Flame Rotisserie, Inc., 3425 Church Street, effective April 1, 2005.
  - C. Class "B" Beer / "Class C" Wine license for Sunshine Family Restaurant, 5110 Main Street, effective March 22, 2005.
2. Request to extend license - Stevens Point Brewery:
  - A. June 12, 2005, Concert.
  - B. August 19, 2005, Brews, Brats and Bands.
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- Ald. Sowieja moved, Ald. Markham seconded, for approval of items A, B, and C of the license list.

Ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

2. Request to extend license - Stevens Point Brewery:

A. June 12, 2005, Concert.

B. August 19, 2005, Brews, Brats and Bands.

Captain Dowling said the Police Department has been in contact with the event organizer. The event organizer will be hiring four contractual police officers for the annual concert and two contractual police officers for Brews, Brats and Bands.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, to approve the extension of the Stevens Point Brewery's license to cover the above events.

Ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

3. Steiner Hall Alcohol Awareness Fun Run, April 15 and April 16, 2005.

Captain Dowling said Police Lieutenant Eggleston had reviewed the request and does not have any concerns with the run. This is a very well planned event.

Ald. Rackow moved, Ald. Markham seconded, to approve the Steiner Hall Alcohol Awareness Fun Run on April 15, 2005 and April 16, 2005.

Ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

4. Spud City Mashionals, August 18-21, 2005.

Chairman Rackow noted alcohol beverage vending will not be part of this event.

Captain Dowling said the car cruise this year is different from years past. It is proposed to shut down Main Street during the day which has already been worked out. The route for the cruise is primarily around the city except for Clark Street into the park.

Ald. Markham is concerned with the noise from the event.

John Tomaszewski said the music will be shut down at 10:30 p.m.

Director Schrader stated the park closes at 11:00 p.m.

Ald. Wiza moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, to approve the request to hold the Spud City car cruise.

Ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

5. Ordinance - satellite receiving stations.

Chairman Rackow said the ordinance covers satellite receiving stations one meter or less in diameter. Satellite receiving stations greater than one meter in diameter shall be placed in the rear yard not higher than fifteen feet above the ground.

Director Gardner said the satellite receiving stations have to be in the back yard unless they cannot receive a signal.

Ald. Wiza asked if this is a mandate. Who determines if the satellite receiving station can be placed on the roof facing a public street?

Director Gardner said this is a mandate. The FCC states cities can regulate location as long as the location does not add unreasonable costs and does not prevent receiving a strong signal. The city can regulate location of receivers in historic districts. The Director said he would have to rely on technical staff in determining the placement of the satellite receiving station.

Ald. Sowieja asked if the ordinance only applies to residential districts.

Director Gardner said the ordinance would also apply to apartment buildings. The Director said commercial areas would be eligible as well.

Ald. Markham does not feel the proposed ordinance applies to commercial areas.

Director Gardner suggested the term residential districts should be removed from the proposed ordinance.

Roger Trzebiatowski said some of the newer dishes are slightly larger in order to receive local channels.

Director Gardner said the Federal Communications Commission's rule is very specific as to the size of the satellite receiving stations.

Ald. Sowieja moved, Ald. Markham seconded, to recommend approval of the ordinance - Satellite Receiving Stations with the amendment to remove the term Residential Districts from the ordinance.

Ald. Barber does not feel three feet away from the property line is far enough.

Director Gardner said three feet was chosen for consistency reasons.

Ald Moore asked if the ordinance only applies to satellite television receivers. The alderman is concerned with including commercial areas.

Director Gardner replied the Federal Communications Commission deals with multiple coverages.

Ald. Wiza said the proposed ordinance covers satellite receiving stations. At this time, point to point communications and internet do not need to go through satellite.

Ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

6. Recommendation of the February 2005 Inspection Report:

A. Construction Starts.

B. Violations.

Ald. Rackow moved, Ald. Wiza seconded, to accept the report and place it on file.

Ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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