

Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Monday, February 10, 2003 - 6:00 P. M.

City Water Department - 300 Bliss Avenue Present: Chairman Phillips, Alderpersons Sevenich, Filipiak, Seiser, Moore

Also Present: Mayor Wescott, Comptroller-Treasurer Schlice, Clerk Zdroik, Directors Disher, Gardner, Schrader, Van Alstine; Alderpersons Walther, Sowiejka, Barr, Molski, Rackow, Nealis; Fleet Maintenance Supervisor Laidlaw, Police Captain Dowling, Fire Chief Barnes, Mayoral Assistant Gebert, Personnel Specialist Jakusz, Kate Garsombke (Journal), Gene Kemmeter (Portage County Gazette)

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6. Adjournment.

1. Recommendation on License list.

A. Operator's (Bartender's) License.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Filipiak seconded, to approve the Operator's (Bartender's) license list.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

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Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Moore seconded, for approval of the Special Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailers Licenses for St. Joseph's Congregation, 1709 Wyatt Avenue, Stevens Point, WI, winterfest on Friday, February 28, 2003, from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. and St. Peter's Holy Name Society, 708 First Street, Stevens Point, WI, annual dance on Sunday, April 23, 2003, from 1:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

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Greg Diekroeger, 3965 Lindstrom Lane, Stevens Point, is working with the Stevens Point Brewery as a contractor to arrange a concert for them.

Mr. Diekroeger explained that the stage will be set up in the parking lot facing the west. He added that the street closing is being extended for the safety of the people taking the stage down at night.

The concert will start at 7:00 P.M. and will end at 9:45 P.M. The gates will be open at 5:30 P.M.

Fire Chief Barnes said the only stipulation from his department is that there be no permanent structure on the roadway in case of an emergency.

Ald. Moore moved, Ald. Seiser seconded, to approve the request to close a portion of Water Street between Francis Street and Matilda Street for the First Annual Concert featuring the band "Cheap Trick" to be held on Saturday, June 7, 2003, with street closing starting from 8:00 A.M. Saturday, June 7, 2003, through 6:00 A. M. Sunday, June 8, 2003.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

B. Brews, Brats and Bands on Friday, August 15, 2003, from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. and Saturday, August 16, 2003, from 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Police Captain Dowling said the Police Department does not have a problem with this request. It is an event that was held in the past.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Filipiak seconded, for approval of the request to close a portion of Water Street between Francis Street and Matilda Street for the Brews, Brats and Bands on Friday, August 15, 2003, from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. and Saturday, August 16, 2003, from 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

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Ald. Seiser moved, Ald. Moore seconded, for approval to extend the Stevens Point Brewery Class "B" Beer premises for the "Cheap Trick" concert on Saturday, June 7, 2003, from 5:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M., on Friday, August 15, 2003, from 5:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M., on Saturday, August 16, 2003, from 11:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

#### 4. Request to install street lights:

##### A. Highway 10 East at Badger Avenue northwest corner.

This request was made by 7th District Alderman Rackow. The Police and Engineering Departments recommend approval of the request with the installation to be done by Wisconsin Public Service. A permit, which has been requested, is needed from the Department of Transportation to place a support pole within the right-of-way.

Ald. Seiser asked about the standardization of these lights and if these are flat lenses. She also commented that the 150 wattage is more moderate than the other proposal and asked if it is the lowest we can go.

Director Van Alstine said all our street lights are flat lens and 150 wattage is the lowest we can go. He went on to say that there is cost involved and that if another municipality is involved in the street light request, it is most likely that the municipality involved will ask the City to pay for the lights.

Ald. Nealis asked who pays for the installation?

Director Van Alstine said the City does.

Ald. Nealis feels that the cost should be assessed back to the adjacent property owners benefiting from the lights.

Chairman Phillips advised Ald. Nealis to confer with the Finance Committee Chair on this matter.

Ald. Seiser said the City has to look at our over all lighting and be more conservative about it. The Alderperson said she does not want to pay for more lighting. She feels there is a lot of waste. She said she has also seen where property owners are being assessed for the use of the lights.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Moore seconded, to approve the street light request for Highway 10 East at Badger Avenue, northwest corner.

Ayes: Chairman Phillips, Alderpersons Sevenich, Filipiak, Moore.

Nays: Ald. Seiser.

Motion carried.

##### B. South end of K. B. Willett Parking Lot

This request came from the Parks Department. The Police and Engineering Departments recommend approval to mount a flood light on the northeast corner of the stadium grandstand. The installation of the flood light will be done by the City. Wisconsin Public Service will not be involved in this request.

Ald. Seiser asked what the wattage is for this request and if the light will be on all night. She would also like to know if people are allowed to park there till midnight.

Director Schrader said the wattage will be 150 watts. He added that the area is okay during the day but he is not comfortable any other time. The City has male and female employees that go through that area, elderly people and kids walk through there and we also have the Police Command Center parked in that area. The light could be put on a timer the Director said but it will be a problem if there is an event that will go until midnight. Director Schrader said people are allowed to park in the area if there is an event until 2:00 A.M.

Ald. Seiser said lights should not be left on all night. She favors the use of a timer and suggested that the Parks Department employees carry a flashlight. She added that the area is quite open, there are street lights and there are houses nearby.

Director Schrader said he is not worried about the staff but is more concerned about the female employees. It will be nice if the area is lit up so they can see.

Ald. Seiser moved, Ald. Filipiak seconded, for approval of the 150 watts lighting on a timer to be shut off at least by 2:00 A.M., for the south end of K. B. Willett Parking Lot.

Director Van Alstine informed the Committee that the cost of the timer will be around \$300.

Ald. Walther stated the K.B. Willett area is in his district. He has concerns about low lighting in the neighborhood. He felt that the area could be a real problem. The house directly across the street has high bushes. That house would not be adversely affected. The Alderman feels something needs to be done.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

##### C. On an existing pole on the west side of the north end of Texas Avenue.

This request was made by 7th District Alderman Rackow. The Police and Engineering Departments recommend denial of the request to install a street light on this dead end street. Texas Avenue north of Algoma Street is not a through-street and is seldom used by the traveling public.

Ald. Seiser supports the recommendation of the staff. This is one of those cases where private business needs some light for their own operation. She added that this is an expense the business should pay for and have control over.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Seiser seconded, to deny the street light request on an existing pole on the west side of the north end of Texas Avenue.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

#### 5. Recommendation on Inspection Report.

Ald. Seiser moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, to accept the January 2003 Inspection Report and place it on file.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

6. Adjournment - 6:20 P.M.

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