

Meeting Minutes

Public Protection Committee Minutes

Monday, December 8, 2003 - 6:00 P. M.

City Water Department - 300 Bliss Avenue Present: Chairman Phillips, Alderpersons Sevenich, Seiser, Sowieja, Stroik

Also Present: Mayor Wescott, Comptroller-Treasurer Schlice, Clerk Zdroik, Directors Disher, Euclide, Gardner, Schrader; Alderpersons Walther, Markham, Barr, Rackow, Molski, Moore; Fire Chief Barnes, Police Captain McCulley, Street Superintendent Krieski, Mayoral Assistant Gebert, Kate Garsombke (Journal)

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1. Recommendation on License list.

A. New Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Seiser seconded, to approve the New Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

B. Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License - Izaak Walton League Bill Cook Chapter, P. O. Box 582, Stevens Point, WI, for Izaak Walton Fisheree on Patch Street, on Saturday, January 31, 2004, from noon to 4:00 P.M.

Ald. Stroik moved, Ald. Sowieja seconded, for approval of the Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License for Izaak Walton League Bill Cook Chapter, for the Fisheree on Patch Street, on Saturday, January 31, 2004, from noon to 4:00 P.M.

James LaMar, 403 Greenbriar Avenue, one of the event organizers said this is the 40th Annual Izaak Walton Fisheree. It is a family affair and a traditional event. Mr. LaMar added he is not aware of any particular problem with this event and that law enforcement officers will be present at this event.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

C. Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License - St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish, 838 Fremont Street, Stevens Point, WI, for Winter Carnival on Saturday, February 21, 2004, and Sunday, February 22, 2004, in the church basement.

Ald. Seiser moved, Ald. Sowieja seconded, to approve the Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailer's License, for St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish, for Winter Carnival on Saturday, February 21, 2004, and Sunday, February 22, 2004, in the church basement.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

2. Request to keep homing/racing pigeons - 1829 Illinois Avenue.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Stroik seconded, to approve the request to keep homing/racing pigeons at 1829 Illinois Avenue.

Ald. Sevenich said she referred one of the couples present at last month's meeting to someone in her district who has permission to keep pigeons. The Alderperson went on to say that it has been a year and a half since the approval of the request to keep homing/racing pigeons at 833 Pulaski Place and she has not heard any concerns/complaints from her constituents about the operation. Pigeons are just like any other birds that are flying around, she added.

Marion Flood, 1832 Illinois Avenue, said he lives across the street from the subject property. He took up Ald. Sevenich's invitation to go to Pulaski Place and look around. He also went to 2325 Wyatt Avenue where a similar request was approved by the Public Protection Committee and Common Council last July. Mr. Flood also spent some time with Karen and Steve Myszkowski, the requestors, talking about their request to keep the pigeons. He also talked to the neighbors to the south. Mr. Flood does not think there is a problem with the request to keep homing/racing pigeons at 1829 Illinois Avenue. He asked once the permit is issued, will that be perpetual?

Chairman Phillips suggested to include in the motion to check the operation after a year or two.

Ald. Seiser said that if there are concerns or complaints on the operation that has to do with people's animals or pets, then bring it back to this Committee. The people can also contact the City or their Alderpersons about their concerns or complaints.

Community Development Director Gardner stated the Public Protection Committee per City ordinance issues an annual special permit for the keeping and maintenance of farm or dangerous or wild animals.

For clarification, Chairman Phillips noted that if there is any problem with keeping and maintaining farm or dangerous or wild animals, it will come before the Public Protection Committee again and it is the Committee's decision with Council's approval whether or not to issue another permit.

Ald. Rackow said there are pigeons on Welsby Avenue, a block away from his residence. He has not received any complaints at all since they were granted permission to keep the pigeons.

Ald. Sowieja stated this request came from somebody who lives in his district. He has not received any inquiries from the neighbors.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

3. Recommendation on Inspection Report.

Ald. Sowieja moved, Ald. Stroik seconded, to accept the November Inspection Report and place it on file.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

4. Adjournment - 6:10 P.M.

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