

Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, March 11, 2002 - 6:00 P. M.

City Water Department - 300 Bliss Avenue

Present: Chairman Phillips, Alderpersons Sevenich, Walther, Seiser, Sowieja

Also Present: Mayor Wescott, C/T Schlice, Clerk Zdroik, Directors Disher, Gardner, Schrader, Van Alstine; Alderpersons Filipiak, Barr, Rackow, Molski, Nealis, Moore; Police Captain Daubert, City Attorney Molepske, Mayoral Assistant Molepske, Barb Martin (Journal), Gene Kemmeter (Portage County Gazette)

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1. License list.

Ald. Walther moved, Ald. Sowieja seconded, for approval of the new operator/bartender=s license, taxicab driver license, and special temporary Class "B"/"Class B" retailers license.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

Recommended Rejection

Scott Kowalski was present. He is asking that the members of the Public Protection Committee reconsider the rejection of his application for an operator/bartender's license. He said it is very important for him to obtain an operator/bartender's license so he can continue working at his place of employment. He is going to school right now and needs the money to pay for his schooling. He further stated he is a very responsible person and does not hide anything.

Captain Daubert noted Mr. Kowalski has two underage alcohol convictions and another pending underage alcohol violation that occurred on March 30, 2002. The applicant listed a court date of April 16, 2002, for his pending underage alcohol violation but failed to list the two underage alcohol convictions dated October 2, 2001 and December 18, 2001. Any incomplete, inaccurate or untruthful information on any license application shall be cause for denial of the license according to the guidelines set by the City for operator/bartender's license application.

Edward Kowalski, 3024 Bush Street, father of Scott Kowalski, asked if OWI is an ordinance violation and if underage convictions are sealed records?

Captain Daubert said OWI is not an ordinance violation and underage convictions are not sealed records.

Ald. Seiser reminded Mr. Kowalski that disclosure of alcohol or drug related convictions is something the City will require from him when he applies for an operator/bartender's license in the future.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Walther seconded, to deny the operator=s (bartender=s) license application for Scott Kowalski and that Mr. Kowalski read the rules and regulations closely next time.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

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Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Sowieja seconded, for approval of the requests as outlined above in conjunction with the Crazy Days Celebration on Wednesday, July 10 and Thursday, July 11, 2002.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

3. Recommendation on Inspection Report.

Ald. Sowieja moved, Ald. Walther seconded, to accept the March 2002 Inspection Report and place it on file.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

4. Adjournment - 6:10 P.M.

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