

Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, June 12, 2000 - 6:00 P. M.

City Water Department - 300 Bliss Avenue

Present: Chairman Niedbalski, Alderpersons Sevenich, Walther, Nealis, Phillips

Also Present: Mayor Wescott, City Attorney Molepske, C/T Schlice, Clerk Zdroik, Directors Gardner, Schrader, Van Alstine; Alderpersons Pazdernik, Seiser, Kedrowski, Barr, Rackow, Molski; Police Captain Dowling, Mayoral Assistant Marciniak, Susan Kampmeier (Journal), Gene Kemmeter (Portage County Gazette), Scott Krueger (WIZD)

1. License list.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Phillips seconded, to approve the new operator s (provisional) license, renewal (2-year) operator license, manager license, Class "B" beer and Class "C" wine licenses, "Class B" beer and liquor license, and change of agent.

Ald. Phillips questioned the situation at the Underground, 1009 Clark Street.

Police Captain Dowling said it is an active place just like the other taverns. There is no particular problem in the premises.

Ald. Nealis asked if the Police Department is keeping a list of the calls regarding the establishment.

Captain Dowling said the Police Department is doing that. Chairman Niedbalski reminded the captain to keep the Public Protection Committee informed of any unusual activities in the establishment.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

Recommended rejection of operator s (bartender s) license.

Casey J. Rutta did not appear.

Ald. Walther moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, to deny the operator s (bartender s) license application for Casey J. Rutta.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

Matthew A. Johnson did not appear.

Ald. Walther moved, Ald. Niedbalski seconded, to deny the operator s (bartender s) license application for Matthew A. Johnson.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

Robert M. White was present.

Mr. White said he was given the wrong information when he was filling out his application. Since he cannot remember the dates of his alcohol-related convictions, he was told that he did not have to fill it in. He said he did not intentionally leave the question unanswered. Mr. White's OW convictions dated back to February 1995 and September 1997.

Police Captain Dowling recommends approval of Mr. White's operator s (bartender s) license.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Phillips seconded, to approve Robert M. White operator s (bartender s) license application.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

Tami S. Evel did not appear.

Ald. Phillips moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, to deny the operators (bartender s) license application for Tami S. Evel.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

2. Crosby Avenue closing - no parking zones - Riverfront Rendezvous - Friday, June 30 through Sunday, July 2, 2000.

The requested street closing is similar to the request received in previous years. This request is being made for pedestrian safety and ease of moving equipment for the event.

The Police Department recommends approval.

Ald. Phillips moved, Ald. Walther seconded, to approve the closing of Crosby Avenue for Riverfront Rendezvous for Friday, June 30, 2000, through Sunday, July 2, 2000.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

3. Request to extend licensed premises:

A. Partner s Pub - Saturday, September 30, 2000 - UW-SP Homecoming.

Jeff Moffat, Partner s Pub, 2600 Stanley Street, stated the request is similar to the request presented last year. The entire highlighted area on attached map will be fenced in. He will be hiring Sentinel Security of Wausau to provide security for the establishment for that day. Mr. Moffat will employ three people from Sentinel Security and one uniformed off-duty contractual pay police officer.

The Police Department recommends approval of the extension for the licensed premises for Partner s Pub.

Ald. Sevenich moved, Ald. Nealis seconded, for approval to extend the licensed premises for Partner s Pub for Saturday, September 30, 2000 UW-SP Homecoming.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

B. Hilltop Pub & Grill Restaurant - Monday, August 7, 2000 - Anniversary Celebration.

Robert Sturrock, representing the owners of Hilltop Pub & Grill Restaurant, 4901 Main Street, stated this event involves the serving of food and drinks during their anniversary celebration on Monday, August 7, 2000. It is also the owners intent to hire a band to play during the celebration. Mr. Sturrock informed the committee that they intend to end the celebration at 11:00 P.M.

Captain Dowling asked Mr. Sturrock if the motel operators next door were made aware of the celebration.

Mr. Sturrock is not sure if it was discussed with the motel operators but he said the establishment has a good relationship with the motel.

There was one complaint received by the Police Department last year and it was registered at 10:45 P.M.

The Police Department is recommending the music end promptly at 10:00 P.M.

Chairman Niedbalski said the Public Protection Committee will tentatively act on the request tonight and will check back with the owners of Hilltop Pub & Grill Restaurant regarding their discussion with the motel operators about the amplified sound in the outdoor area.

Ald. Phillips moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, for approval of the request to extend the licensed premises for the Hilltop Pub and Grill Restaurant on Monday, August 7, 2000, and the event ending promptly at 10:00 P.M.

Chairman Niedbalski said the Committee would like to see a signed agreement from the motel operators indicating their approval of this celebration. The chairman would like to hear from the Mitchells before the Common Council meeting on Monday, June 19, 2000.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

C. Joe Mama s Catering - last day of Crazy Days - Wednesday, July 12, 2000.

Joe Elia, owner of Joe Mama s Catering, 1324 Second Street, on behalf of the Association of Downtown Businesses said this celebration is scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, 2000, the last day of Crazy Days. The association is asking permission for the operation of an outdoor beer garden from 3:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. A similar request was presented to the Public Protection Committee last year. The necessary fencing and adequate security personnel will be the responsibility of the licensee. The closing act will cease their performance promptly at 9:00 P.M.

The Police Department recommends approval.

Ald. Walther moved, Ald. Sevenich seconded, to allow the extension of premises for Joe Mama s Catering for the final day of Crazy Days, Wednesday, July 12, 2000, for the operation of an outdoor beer garden from 3:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

4. Tater Town Nationals Kustom Kar Show:

A. Car Cruise - Saturday, July 22, 2000, starting at 9:00 A.M.

John Tomaszewski, on behalf of the organizers of the Tater Town Nationals Kustom Kar Show, said the car cruise, as presented, has been approved by Police Sergeant Carlson and Public Works Director Van Alstine.

Captain Dowling reminded the organizers of the event to have sufficient volunteers to staff the street intersections of the parade route.

Ald. Phillips moved, Ald. Nealis seconded, for approval of the Tater Town Nationals Kustom Kar Show car cruise on Saturday, July 22, 2000.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

B. Closing and rerouting of Green Circle Trail - Friday, July 21 through Sunday, July 23, 2000.

Parks Director Schrader informed the Public Protection Committee that this item was approved by the Board of Park Commissioners at its July 7, 1999, meeting. A copy of the minutes are attached hereto.

Ald. Nealis moved, Ald. Phillips seconded, for approval of the closing and rerouting of Green Circle Trail from Friday, July 21, through Sunday, July 23, 2000.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

5. Ordinance amending the Direct Sellers/Transient Merchant Ordinance (increasing the registration fee and fee for police background check).

Clerk Zdroik noted the current Direct Sellers/Transient Merchant registration fee is \$25.00, \$5.00 fee for police background check for each applicant, and a \$1.00 fee for the badge for each applicant.

The City Clerk s office is recommending that the registration fee be increased to \$35.00, police background check fee to \$10.00, and the \$1.00 fee per badge remain the same.

The Police Department concurs with this recommendation.

Ald. Walther moved, for approval of the Direct Sellers/Transient Merchant fees per **recommendation from the City Clerk s office.**

Ald. Phillips would like the current \$25.00 registration fee go up to \$50.00 and the balance of the fees remain the same as recommended by the **City Clerk s office.**

Ald. Walther withdrew his motion.

Ald. Phillips moved, to raise the registration fee to \$50.00.

Ald. Phillips motion died due to lack of second.

Mayor Wescott recommended that the city clerk do a survey of surrounding municipalities to see what their Direct Sellers/Transient Merchants **fees are. Chairman Niedbalski concurs with the Mayor s recommendation and a Special Public Protection Committee meeting is scheduled for** Monday, June 19, 2000, at 6:50 P.M. to discuss and act on the Direct Sellers/Transient Merchant fees.

6. Ordinance amending the Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance (providing for penalty).

This ordinance provides for the setting of a bond forfeiture for Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance.

Ald. Nealis moved, Ald. Walther seconded, for approval of the setting of a bond forfeiture for Drug Paraphernalia Ordinance.

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

7. Inspection Report.

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

Ayes, all; nays, none. Motion carried.

8. Adjournment - 6:25 P.M.

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