

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 2, 2017

EMS Training Room; 516 S Fourth Street

Present: Chair, Scott Truehl, Alderpersons, Greg Jenson, Kathleen Johnson

Excused: Alderperson Kittleson & Mayor Olson

Guests: Police Chief Leck, Clerk Kropf, EMS Director Schimelpfenig, Jenny Welch and Joshua Hoel

Call to Order: Chairperson Truehl called the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m.

Communications:

EMS Director Schimelpfenig gave an overview of the EMS department's financials were in good standing and they should be in the black by the end of the year. She noted that there was a large expense to repair an ambulance, but that was reflected in the reports. No action was taken.

Old Business

Discussion and possible action on a request to change the premises description on the alcohol beverage license for Wal-Mart:

Jenny Welch, from Wal-Mart, addressed the committee regarding the request for a premises change to allow for an outdoor point of sale in their new online pickup area. The committee has discussed and denied this request in August, but Wal-Mart indicated they would like to address the committee again before this issue came to Council. Committee discussion included that they were uncomfortable with individuals being able to pick up alcohol from their car.

Motion by Jenson, to reaffirm the denial of the request for Wal-Mart to change their premises description and refer to Council for consideration, second by Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

New Business

Approval of the August 23, 2017 Public Safety Committee Minutes:

Motion by Jenson, to approve the August 23, 2017 Public Safety Committee minutes, second by Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding application by the American Cancer Society- Relay for Life for a Special Event and Temporary "Class B"/ Class "B" Retailer's License for the Victorian Holiday Opening Gala:

Chief Leck indicated that this is an annual event and recommended approval.

Motion by Jenson, to approve the application by the American Cancer Society- Relay for Life for a Special Event and Temporary "Class B"/ Class "B" Retailer's License for the Victorian Holiday Opening Gala and refer to Council for approval, second by Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

Amending Chapter 70-134 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Code; relating to deleting subsection (a) and remunerating sub (b) to sub (a) and sub (c) to sub (b) eliminating the Loading Zone on S. Water St:

Chief Leck explained to the committee that this ordinance will remove the loading zone stall on South Water Street.

Motion by Johnson, to approve the ordinance amending Chapter 70-134 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Code; relating to deleting subsection (a) and remunerating sub (b) to sub (a) and sub (c) to sub (b) eliminating the Loading Zone on S. Water St and refer to Council for consideration, second by Jenson. Motion carried 3-0.

Amending Chapter 70-198 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Code; relating to creating subsection (17) and designating the third stall north of Main Street along the west curb of South Water Street:

Chief Leck indicated that this is a companion ordinance to the previous one. With the removal of the loading zone stall, this ordinance would allow for the creation of a handicap stall in its place.

Motion by Johnson, to approve the ordinance amending Chapter 70-198 of the City of Stoughton Municipal Code; relating to creating subsection (17) and designating the third stall north of Main Street along the west curb of South Water Street and refer to Council for consideration, second by Jenson. Motion carried 3-0.

Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to Designate Hoel Avenue as a through Street:

Chief Leck indicated that this would allow the side streets to be stop signed as this would be considered a through street. The police department is anticipating the expansion of Hoel Ave and that this will become necessary in the near future.

Motion by Jenson, to approve the ordinance to Designate Hoel Avenue as a through Street and refer to Council for consideration, second by Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

Amending Section 14-7 of the Stoughton Municipal Code; Relating to the Authority to Grant Licenses:

Clerk Kropf stated that the City ordinance needed to be amended to reflect the requirements of the state statute. The change would no longer authorize the Chief of Police and the City Clerk to issue an Operator License without Council approval. This would require that all Operator Licenses need to be approved by the City Council. They will not need to go to the Public Safety Committee prior to going to Council.

Motion by Jenson, to approve the ordinance amending Section 14-7 of the Stoughton Municipal Code; Relating to the Authority to Grant Licenses and to refer to Council for consideration, second by Johnson. Motion carried 3-0.

Amending the City of Stoughton Policy Statement relating to the issuance of Operator Licenses:

Clerk Kropf explained that this policy needs to be changed to reflect the amendments in the ordinance referenced above. These changes make the policy in compliance with local ordinance and State statute.

Motion by Jenson, to approve the ordinance amending the City of Stoughton Policy Statement relating to the issuance of Operator Licenses and refer to Council for consideration, second by Jenson. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of an ordinance relating to the keeping of bees within the City:

The committee agreed that they needed more time to review the draft ordinance relating to beekeeping.

Motion by Johnson, to table the bee keeping ordinance for further discussion at the October 25, 2017 Public Safety meeting, second by Jenson. Motion carried 3-0.

Future agenda items:

- Ordinance change to allow Keeping of Bees.
- Request by Aldi's
- Best Practices for Special Event Temporary Class "B" licenses

Adjournment:

Motion by Jenson, to adjourn the October 2, 2017 meeting, second by Johnson. Motion carried 3-0. The October 2, 2017 meeting of the Public Safety Committee adjourned at 7:33 p.m.