

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

Hall of Fame Room, City Hall

Present: Chair, Greg Jenson, Alderpersons Kathleen Tass Johnson, Timothy Riley, Pat O'Connor, and Police Chief Greg Leck

Guests:

Call to Order: Chair Jenson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Communications: Chief Leck gave a brief update on new employees and announced that a conditional offer has been extended to fill the last vacancy.

Old Business: None

2. Minutes of 7-25-18: Moved by; O'Connor, 2nd By Riley, to approve the minutes of 7-25-18.
Motion carried: 4-0

New Business

3. Discussion and possible action to approve Amending Section 70-176, Parking Prohibited at all Times, to create Sub Section (75) "No parking on the South side of Roby Road 185 feet east from Nygaard Street.

Chief Leck reported that he had received citizen requests to look at the Roby & Nygaard intersection for sightlines related to traffic. Leck explained that this ordinance and Item 4 were designed to improve sightlines and reduce the potential for crashes. The parking prohibition would result in approximately six street parking stalls being eliminated. O'Connor questioned whether there have been crashes at this location. Leck advised he was not sure but citizens had reported near misses. O'Connor also questioned whether the business (Deak's) had been notified of the proposed changes. Leck advised that normally regarding traffic sightlines the PD does not notify nearby businesses. O'Connor then asked for the matter to be tabled until the business was notified.

Motion by: O'Connor to table, 2nd By Johnson Motion carried 3-0 (Riley abstained)

4. Discussion and possible action to approve Amending Section 70-176, **Parking Prohibited at all Times** to create Sub Section (76) no parking on the both sides of Nygaard Street, 25 feet south of Roby Road.

See discussion above.

Motion by: O'Connor to table, 2nd By: Jenson. Vote 3-0 (Riley abstained)

5. Discussion and possible action on joining **Dane County's Restorative Justice Program**

Chief Leck referred the committee to the materials in the packet. Leck reported that he had attended a presentation meeting with staff and Judge Roethe that explained the purpose of the program. O'Connor had questions regarding the process the program would follow. Leck explained that most referrals would come from the officers that an offender might be a good fit for the program. Restorative Justice

staff would train the officers on what to look for in potential offenders that would be a good fit to the program. Leck advised the Municipal Judge Roethe was supportive of the program. Other discussion followed and O'Connor expressed the need for more detail on the process. Leck advised that would likely occur with the officer training.

Motion by Riley to approve joining DCRJP, 2nd by Johnson. Motion carried 3-1 (O'Connor voting no)

6. Discussion and possible action regarding an application for change of Agent: Kwik Trip #738, located at 1231 E. Main St., requests appointment of Karl Wirag

Leck reported that this was a routine change in agent and that all was in order recommending approval.

Motion by Riley to Approve, 2nd by O'Connor. No discussion. Motion carried 4-0

7. Discussion and possible action regarding an application for change of Agent: Walgreens #07519, located at 1705 US HWY 51, requests Jacqueline A. Shaffer

Leck reported that this was a routine change in agent and that all was in order recommending approval.

Motion by Johnson to Approve, 2nd by Riley. No discussion. Motion carried 4-0

8. Discussion and possible action to approve Amending Section 70-156, **Designated Through Streets**, to create Sub Section (27) designating Vernon Street as a through Street.

Leck explained that this would designate Vernon Street as a Through Street allowing for all cross traffic to be governed by Stop Signs.

Motion by O'Connor to Approve, 2nd by Johnson. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0

9. Discussion and possible action on approving the **2018 Crowd Control Grant**.

Leck explained that along with the Cities of Monona & Verona, and the Villages of McFarland & Oregon, the Stoughton PD applied for and was awarded a Crowd Control Grant from the WI Department of Military Affairs (WDMA) to establish a 13 member Crowd Control Unit. The grant is an 80/20 percent match to outfit and train the unit. Leck advised that in the 2018 Budget the department have funds to comply with the 20 percent match as part of this year's proposal to begin purchasing equipment to outfit staff with crowd control equipment.

Leck advised that the three cities will provide three members and the two villages will supply two each. Leck stated that a Mutual Aid agreement would be prepared for the five agencies. Further, that the unit will be available to regional departments in the event of large-scale crowd control needs. Leck was looking for approval to accept the grant and move forward with the project.

Motion by O'Connor to Approve the Grant conditional on the Mayor's decision to also forward to the City Council if necessary, 2nd by Johnson. No further discussion. Motion carried 4-0

10. **Future agenda items:**

Return of Items 3 & 4 (Roby/Nygaard parking)

Public Notification System as inquired by Alderperson Johnson.

Food Carts/Special Event Licensing

Review of the Residential Traffic Management Program

Moved by O'Connor, 2nd By Riley to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Greg Leck, Chief of Police