

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

Hall of Fame Room, City Hall

**Present:** Chair, Greg Jenson, Alderpersons Kathleen Tass Johnson, Pat O'Connor, Tim Riley, Mayor Swadley, Police Chief Greg Leck, and EMS Director Schimelpfenig.

### **Guests:**

**Call to Order:** Chair Jenson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Communications:** Chief Leck gave a brief update on the E. Academy Street traffic concerns. This included contact with Stoughton Trailers, Public Works, and discussion regarding limiting parking on portions of the street.

Chief Leck also updated the Committee on the latest round of Alcohol Compliance checks. 11 of 24 placed checked failed and sold to the underage person. Leck will be following up with the City Attorney to determine the best course of action going forward.

### **Old Business:**

None

### **New Business**

2. Minutes of 10-24-18: Moved by; O'Connor 2<sup>nd</sup> By Riley, to approve the minutes of 10-24-18. **Motion carried: 5-0**

3. Discussion and possible action regarding EMS Billing Reduction Requests

Director Schimelpfenig explained that every year there are maybe 3-6 requests for reductions in service bills, where people just do not have means to pay. Schimelpfenig stated that in the past, with the Mayor's permission she either has reduced the bills or wrote them off after confirming that the patient was just not able to pay.

Schimelpfenig stated that she was looking for authority to continue this process and also a procedure with guidelines that she could use to identify those that truly can't pay. Alderperson Riley stated that he absolutely agreed that there should be a hardship program. Alderperson O'Connor also agreed and stated that other departments have a system in place for write offs. Schimelpfenig stated that Madison has a policy and uses an adjustable poverty chart as a guideline. Schimelpfenig stated that she would be willing to draft a policy.

The Committee then directed Schimelpfenig to put together a policy and bring it back to the Committee for approval.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding **Change of Agent for Pick-n-Save.**

Motion by O'Connor to Approve and recommend to council, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnson.

No further discussion. **Motion carried 5-0**

5. **Future agenda items:** Leck requested adding a discussion about downtown parking enforcement. Leck explained that he has been receiving both positive and negative responses since the department stepped up parking enforcement with the new CSO position. Leck advised that he would just like to review with the committee the enforcement options.

Public Notification System as inquired by Alderperson Johnson.

Food Carts/Special Event Licensing

E. Academy Street safety

Police Auxiliary/Reserve Personnel

EMS Billing

Downtown Parking Enforcement

**Moved by O'Connor, 2<sup>nd</sup> By Riley to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. Carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Greg Leck, Chief of Police