

Public Property and Safety Committee

October 11, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott McMeans, Jill Hennessey, Jim Brey, Alex Olson (6:15)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Chris Able

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Muenzenmeyer, Valerie Mellon, Juliana Ruenzel, Bill Manis, Kathleen McDaniel, Jason Sladky, Tony Dick

Alderman Jim Brey called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Alderman McMeans made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2011 meeting of the Public Property and Safety Committee meeting. Alderwoman Hennessey seconded the motion and as all were in favor the motion passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion and possible action on Ordinance (11-641) amending section 14.330(4) of the Manitowoc Municipal Code regarding concealed weapons. Police Chief Tony Dick informed the Committee that there is no consensus throughout the State on how to restrict concealed weapons being brought into City owned buildings or vehicles. Additional discussions involved enforcement of policy, placement of signs, weapons allowed in City owned vehicles, and different liabilities and immunities. Alderwoman Hennessey made a motion to instruct the City Attorney to draft a policy to allow the Police Department and/or Fire Department personnel to disarm riders before allowing them to be transported inside an ambulance or a Police vehicle. Alderman Brey seconded the motion and then asked City Attorney Ruenzel whether a policy or an ordinance would be most effective. Attorney Ruenzel replied that a policy would be best. After further discussion, the motion to have the City Attorney to draft the policy passed unanimously. Alderman Brey made a motion to place draft Ordinance 11-641 on file. After a second by Alderman Olson, the motion to file the draft Ordinance passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was discussion on draft Ordinance 11-642 amending section 6.120 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code regarding lighting fires. Alderman Brey made a motion to place on file. Alderman McMeans seconded the motion and as all were in favor the motion passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was discussion on draft Ordinance 11-673 amending section 6.120 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code regarding lighting fires. The committee discussed the proposed fee structure for fire pits. Alderman Olson made a motion to instruct the City Attorney to re-draft the proposed ordinance eliminating the fee schedule and to add adequate permit language. Alderman McMeans seconded the motion. Alderwoman Hennessey stated that she thought a nominal fee would be reasonable. After further discussion, the motion passed 3 – 1 with Alderwoman Hennessey voting no.

Discussion and possible action on a Communication (11-518) from Tyler Pribyl

was placed on file by a motion from Alderman Brey and a second by Alderman Olson. The motion passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion and possible action on Communication (11-670) from City Clerk Jennifer Hudon regarding leased parking stalls in the municipal parking lot at the corner of North 9th Street and Maritime Drive. After a short discussion, Alderwoman Hennessey made a motion to instruct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to allow leasing of all available spaces. Alderman Olson seconded the motion and as all were in favor the motion passed unanimously.

The last item on the agenda was discussion and possible action on proposed changes to the municipal parking lot at North 9th and Maritime Drive. Dermatology Associates has requested to place an approximate six foot by six foot slab and two protective bollards outside a doorway leading into their garage. This slab would be located in the northeast corner of the parking lot and would result in the loss of one parking space. After a short discussion, Alderwoman Hennessey made a motion to instruct the City Attorney to draft an agreement that allows Dermatology Associates to place the concrete slab and bollards in the space identified contingent upon Dermatology taking responsibility for removing accumulated snow in that space, to remove any improvements within ten days notice, and to relocate the accessible parking space ground markings at their own expense. Alderman Olson seconded the motion and as all were in favor the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business Alderman McMeans made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Olson seconded the motion and as all were in favor the meeting ended at 7:20 p.m.

Jim Muenzenmeyer
Secretary