



CITY OF MERRILL
HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MINUTES • MONDAY JUNE 22, 2015

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

5:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Alderman Sukow called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Chris Malm	Aldersperson - First District	Absent	
Kandy Peterson	Aldersperson - Fourth District	Present	
Dave Sukow	Aldersperson - Sixth District	Present	

Others in attendance: City Administrator Dave Johnson, Fire Chief Dave Savone, Police Chief Ken Neff, Deputy Health Officer Norbert Ashbeck, Alderman Ryan Schwartzman, Stephen Koch and City Clerk Bill Heideman. An MP3 student was also present to videotape the meeting.

II. Nuisance Complaints and Vouchers:

1. Nusiance Complaints

The nuisance complaint report was in the meeting packet. Deputy Health Officer Ashbeck noted that most of the cases are due for action within the next 30 days, so they should be resolved soon.

2. Vouchers

The vouchers were in the meeting packet.

Motion (Sukow/Peterson) to approve the vouchers.

RESULT: APPROVED

III. Picnic and/or Liquor License Applications:

1. Consider applications from Merrill Firefighters Charities for three temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented malt beverages at Ott's Park during the Merrill Firefighters Charities Softball Tournament, August 7-9, 2015.

Police Chief Neff has no concerns with the applications.

Motion (Peterson/Sukow) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL Next: 7/14/2015 7:00 PM

2. Consider applications from Merrill Fastpitch for three temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented malt beverages in the concession stands and the softball field stands at the Merrill Area Recreation Complex (MARC), 1100 MARC Drive, during the annual Merrill Fastpitch Tournament, July 24-26, 2015.

Police Chief Neff reported that this is the second year for alcohol at this event. He has no concerns with the applications.

Motion (Peterson/Sukow) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL	Next: 7/14/2015 7:00 PM
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3. Consider renewal application from Johnny T's Bar & Deli, Inc., Nicole C. Kopplin, Agent, for a Class "B" (beer) license and a "Class B" (liquor) license for Johnny T's Bar, 116 North Prospect Street, effective July 1st, 2015.

This is being considered now because the application was received too late to be published at the same time the other license renewals were published. Johnny T's has paid the required fee to have a special Common Council meeting for final action. That meeting is scheduled for 5:15 P.M. on Tuesday, June 23rd.

Motion (Sukow/Peterson) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL	Next: 6/23/2015 5:30 PM
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4. Consider application from RStore Merrill, LLC, Sara Rosenberg, Agent, for a Class "A" (beer) license and a "Class A" (liquor) license for RStore #40, 1001 North Center Avenue, effective July 23rd, 2015.

Police Chief Neff has no concerns with the application.

Motion (Peterson/Sukow) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL	Next: 7/14/2015 7:00 PM
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5. Any other license application(s)

None.

IV. Other agenda items to consider:

1. Consider request from Ballyhoos, 124 North Prospect Street, to close Prospect Street (Grand Avenue west to the western edge of Miller Home Furnishings), from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. on Saturday, August 1st, 2015. Ballyhoos is also requesting an extension of premises to sell alcoholic beverages in the closed-off area from 4:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. that same day. Both requests are in conjunction with the Merrill Lobster Fest.

Police Chief Neff reported that this is a new event. The event is being held as a fundraiser for the "Safe Ride Home" program. Police Chief Neff noted that this program has proved effective and that the Police Department is planning on assisting at this event.

Police Chief Neff has no concerns with either the street closing or the extension of premises. It was mentioned that it appears this event will be concluded by 10:00 P.M.

Motion (Sukow/Peterson) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL
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Next: 7/14/2015 7:00 PM

V. Monthly Reports:

1. Fire Chief Savone

Fire Chief Savone reported that final "tweaks" are being made to the new fire station. The roof has been replaced and now seems to be holding up fine.

A Citizens Fire Academy is being planned for this fall. It will be held at the Northcentral Technical Center for Excellence in Merrill. The academy will run for 10 sessions on Thursday nights. Enrollment will be limited to 12.

Fire Chief Savone reported that several protective service agencies worked together well during a tragedy on June 21st.

2. Police Chief Neff

Police Chief Neff reported that the Police and Fire Departments are working together on planning the annual Community Night Out, scheduled for August 4th.

The Police Department is currently working with the Parks and Recreation Department on several summer children-related activities.

Alderman Sukow complimented both chiefs on their monthly reports.

3. Lincoln County Humane Society

The report was in the meeting packet. Progress continues on the construction of the new facility. Alderman Sukow stated that he was pleased that the number of animals at the shelter continues to be manageable.

4. Consider placing monthly reports on file

Motion (Peterson/Sukow) to place the monthly reports on file.

RESULT:	CARRIED
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VI. Establish date, time and location of next regular meeting

Monday, July 27th 2015 at 5:00 P.M., in the City Hall Common Council Chambers.

VII. Public Comment

No public comment.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion (Peterson/Sukow) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:19 P.M.