



CITY OF MERRILL
HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MINUTES • MONDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2019

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
Dave Sukow	Aldersperson - Sixth District	Present	
Rick Blake	Aldersperson - Third District	Present	
John M. Van Lieshout	Aldersperson - Fifth District	Present	

Also in attendance: City Administrator Dave Johnson, Fire Chief Josh Klug, Police Chief Corey Bennett, Deputy Health Officer Norbert Ashbeck, City Attorney Tom Hayden, Alderman Rob Norton (arr. 5:05 P.M.) and City Clerk Bill Heideman. A representative from Merrill Productions was present to videotape the meeting.

II. Nuisance Complaints and Vouchers:

1. Nuisance Complaints

The summary report was in the meeting packet. Four cases were listed.

Deputy Health Officer Ashbeck reported that the Zoning Department and the court system are dealing with the first three cases on the report. The fourth case is related to rats, and baiting continues in an effort to resolve that case.

2. Vouchers

The vouchers report was in the meeting packet.

Motion (Blake/Van Lieshout) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

III. Picnic and/or Liquor License Applications:

1. Applications from the Merrill Firefighters Charities for three temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented malt beverages at Ott's Park in conjunction with the Merrill Firefighters Charities Softball Tournament, August 2 - August 4, 2019.

Police Chief Bennett has no concerns with the application.

Motion (Van Lieshout/Blake) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL Next: 3/12/2019 7:00 PM

IV. Other agenda items to consider:

1. None.

V. Minutes and Monthly Reports:

1. Minutes of November 26, 2018 meeting

The minutes were in the meeting packet.

Motion (Blake/Van Lieshout) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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2. Monthly Report - Fire Chief Klug

The report was in the meeting packet.

Fire Chief Klug noted that, at his direction, the monthly report has a new format. This new format has been implemented to highlight Fire Department priorities as well as illustrate proactivity.

3. Monthly Report - Police Chief Bennett

The report was in the meeting packet.

Police Chief Bennett reported that implementing new software is a major undertaking.

The Police Department has received a grant.

The vehicle replacement policy is being reviewed and could possibly be amended. A new vehicle is being added to the fleet.

4. Monthly Report - Lincoln County Humane Society

The report was in the meeting packet.

Alderman Sukow complimented Shelter Manager Liz Friedenfels and the staff for their high-quality work.

5. Consider placing monthly reports on file

Motion (Blake/Van Lieshout) to place on file.

RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
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VI. Establish date, time and location of next regular meeting

Monday, March 25th, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Hall Common Council Chambers.

VII. Public Comment Period

Alderman Norton complimented the Police Department and Fire Department for their work in the last month.

Alderman Blake inquired about the possibility of designating a safer crosswalk between Park Place and the Stonebridge Apartments. Police Chief Bennett will research this and then it will probably be placed on a future Board of Public Works agenda.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion (Van Lieshout/Blake) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:16 P.M.