



CITY OF MERRILL
HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MINUTES • MONDAY JULY 22, 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 Chef Josh Klug, Police Chief Corey Bennett, Deputy Health Officer Norbert Ashbeck, City Attorney Tom Hayden, Alderman Rob Norton, Alderman Paul Russell, Michael Porath, Brad Becker, Sue Kunkel (arr. 5:09) 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. It included two cases.

Deputy Health Officer Ashbeck reported that an innocent plea has been entered in the first case, so it will be addressed through the court system.

The second case involves a locked storage shed. A fine has been issued, but to date has not been paid.

2. Vouchers

Motion (Van Lieshout/Blake) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

III. Picnic and/or Liquor License Applications:

1. Application from Applegreen Midwest, LLC, Gail Closser, Agent, for a Class "A" (beer) and a "Class A" (liquor) license for Holiday #71, 702 North Center Avenue, effective August 14, 2019.

A copy of the license application was in the meeting packet.

Police Chief Bennett has no concerns with the application as submitted.

Motion (Van Lieshout/Blake) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL	Next: 8/13/2019 7:00 PM
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- 2. Applications from the Lincoln County Fair Association for five temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented malt beverages at the Alumni Tent, the VFW stand and the Eagle's stand (all at the Merrill Festival Grounds) during the Lincoln County Free Fair, August 14-August 18, 2019.

A copy of the license application was in the meeting packet.

Police Chief Bennett reported that significant changes related to beer sales at the 2019 fair are being planned. The Lincoln County Fair Association will be the only licensee, but three entities (Wrestling Alumni, Eagles and the VFW) will sell using the one license. Also, fencing around the beer stands will not be required.

Representing the Lincoln County Fair Association, Brad Becker distributed a map of the grounds which illustrated the areas of sales. He noted that no alcohol will be allowed inside buildings that include youth-related activities.

Plans are to move the Wrestling Alumni beer tent from near the grandstand to an area across the midway from the VFW and Eagles stands. If any problems occur during the fair, Police Chief Bennett will order that fencing be installed for the duration of the fair.

To ensure compliance without the fencing, wristbands will be sold (\$1/day) from a centralized location to be determined.

Motion (Blake/Van Lieshout) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED & SENT TO COUNCIL	Next: 8/13/2019 7:00 PM
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- IV. Other agenda items to consider:

None.

- V. Minutes & Monthly Reports:

- 1. Minutes of June 24, 2019 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 provided verbal highlights on the report, including calls for service, training, community activities and special events.

3. Monthly Report - Police Chief Bennett

The report was in the meeting packet.

Police Chief Bennett reported that the last month, as well as the entire summer, have been busy with service calls and special activities.

4. Monthly Report - Lincoln County Humane Society (None submitted yet)

To date, no report has been submitted.

5. Consider placing monthly reports on file

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

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

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

Monday, August 26th, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. in the City Hall Common Council Chambers.

VII. Public Comment Period

None.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion (Blake/Van Lieshout) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:19 P.M.