



City of Manitowoc

900 Quay Street
Manitowoc, WI 54220
www.manitowoc.org

Meeting Minutes

Public Safety Committee

Monday, July 24, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Present: 5 - Howe, Soeldner, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

3. Public Comment

Scott Zolltheis an employee of the Holiday House presented his story about almost being struck while using the crosswalk on Meadow Lane by the Holiday House just east of the railroad tracks.

4. Approval of Minutes and Monthly Reports

[17-0741](#) Public Safety Minutes 06-19-17

Attachments: [Public Safety Minutes 06-19-17](#)

Moved by Czekala, seconded by Lotz, that this Minutes be accepted and placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Howe, Soeldner, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

[17-0719](#) Police Department June 2017 Monthly Report

Attachments: [June 2017 MTPD Monthly Report](#)

Moved by Czekala, seconded by Lotz, that this Report be accepted and placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Howe, Soeldner, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

[17-0720](#) Fire Department June 2017 Monthly Report

Attachments: [Fire Department June 2017 Monthly Report](#)

Moved by Czekala, seconded by Lotz, that this Report be accepted and placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Howe, Soeldner, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

[17-0721](#) Fire Department June 2017 Division of Life Safety Report

Attachments: [June 2017 Division of Life Safety Report](#)

Moved by Czekala, seconded by Lotz, that this Report be accepted and placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Howe, Soeldner, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

5. Old Business

[17-0041](#) Citizen request for pedestrian warning lights on the southeast corner of S 23rd St. and Dewey St.

Attachments: [S. 23rd and Dewey St.](#)
[S 23TH ST - DEWEY ST PED STUDY](#)

Greg Minikel, Engineering Division Manager had a pedestrian study conducted on the area and it showed an increase in both pedestrian and vehicle traffic. Alderperson Howe questioned how accurate the pedestrian study is since it was conducted in summer on the last day of school. Alderperson Czekala feels having four lanes of traffic and adding lighted signs might be more of a distraction causing more accidents. At this time this item will be tabled until the policy regarding the placement of lighted regular or warning signs is implemented.

This Request was tabled

6. New Business

[17-0743](#) Placement of a flashing pedestrian traffic sign on Meadow Lane, east of the railroad tracks in front of the Holiday House.

Attachments: [Holiday House Flashing Ped Sign Request](#)

Deanna Geske, Executive Director of the Holiday House explained the Holiday House has about 100 employees and 180 participants that use these crosswalks. Deanna brought an employee Erin from the Holiday House to tell her story about being hit while crossing the road in the crosswalk. Police Chief Nick Reimer feels this is a unique situation due to the fact we are dealing with special needs individuals. Deanna felt the Holiday House would be able to put forward a portion of the funds to help cover the cost. Alderperson Soeldner made a recommendation to approve this request and forward to the Finance Committee for approval of up to \$5000.00 of city funds.

Moved by Soeldner, seconded by Czekala, that this Request be referred to the Finance Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Howe, Soeldner, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

7. Old Business

[17-0313](#) Policy regarding placement of lighted regulatory or warning signs.

Attachments: [City of Manitowoc Pedestrian Crossing Treatment Guidelines May 2017](#)

Dan Koski, Director of Public Infrastructure presented the policy he drafted to the Public Safety Committee. Dan stated the policy does state the person requesting the flashing regulatory or warning sign is responsible for providing the necessary data proving the sign is justifiable. Alderperson Soeldner feels the engineering staff should be the department reviewing the data compiled for a request, but feels CAWG should also be involved due to the high cost of the signs. It was determined this policy would be tabled until a few changes can be made.

Moved by Czekala, seconded by Novak, that this Policy be tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howe, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

8. Roll Call

Present: 4 - Howe, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

Absent: 1 - Soeldner

9. New Business

[17-0742](#)

Mtwc. Sex Offender Residence Board of Appeal for Nathan C. Willis with recommendation from Police Chief Nick Reimer to approve this request and forward to Council.

Moved by Novak, seconded by Czekala, that this Request be approved and referred to council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howe, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

Notice is hereby given that the above governmental body may adjourn into a closed session during the meeting as authorized by Section 19.85(1)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which authorizes the governmental body to convene in closed session for the purpose of considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations.

The specific subject matter that may be considered in closed session is:

[17-0780](#)

Liferequest EMS billing dispute.

Aldersperson Howe read the Notice to go into closed session. Moved by Novak, second by Czekala, to convene in closed session. The motion carried on roll call vote by the following vote: Aye- Howe, Czekala, Novak, and Lotz. Nay: None.

10. Convene Into Closed Session

[17-0780](#)

Liferequest EMS billing dispute.

Moved by Czekala, seconded by Lotz, that this Request be approved and referred to council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howe, Czekala, Novak and Lotz

Public Safety Committee deliberated in closed session (Redacted - - Closed Session)

Moved by Czekala, second by Lotz to reconvene in open session. Motion Carried by the following vote. Aye: 4- Howe, Czekala, Novak, Lotz. Nay: None.

11. Reconvene Into Open Session

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Aldersperson Steven Czekala, seconded by Aldersperson Todd Lotz, that this meetins be adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Howe, Czekala, Novak and Lotz