

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

April 4, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Aldersperson Miller called the meeting to order. Members present at roll call were Alderspersons Miller and Bauman. Youth in Government members present were Isabel Bazley and Brooke Rowe. Others present were Mayor Ross, DPW Gerber, City Attorney Ewald, Assistant Administrator Shanks, Police Chief Kelley, City Clerk Stamm, and Bridget Cooke from the Monroe Times. Chairperson Beer and Alternate Boyce were absent.

B. CORRECTION OF MINUTES

None

C. ANY APPEARANCES FROM THE PUBLIC

None

D. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION

Police Chief Kelley explained that the application from Jacob's SWAG and Tyler's TEAM foundations for the Angels Among Us Charity Walk/Run is the same as previous years. The event is to take place on April 23, 2016. It starts and ends at the SLICE arena and traffic control would only be needed at the beginning. He reminded the committee that they are only approving the portion of the event that takes place within the City limits and that the applicants need to get permission from the County and the DNR for the rest. Aldersperson Bauman moved to approve the Angels Among Us Charity Walk/Run as presented. Aldersperson Miller seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

2. FEES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

Clerk Stamm gave background information and explained that the code has finally been revised (public hearing to be held Wednesday night) to have all fees associated with special event applications set by resolution of the Council. Now discussion can move forward on application fees, exemptions, and late fees. She went on to mention a few questions related to this that she would like the committee to keep in mind during its decision-making process.

Questions and much discussion ensued. Items discussed included leaving the application fee as is or increasing it to cover certain costs, different fees for different sizes/types of events, which organizations should be exempt from application fees, how much late fees should be and if any organizations should be exempt from the late fees, what other municipalities charge, criteria for exemptions, charging fees to organizations that the City gives money to, definitions, and who the City is charging fees to now. Attorney Ewald added comments about definitions and equal protection. It was the general consensus of the Committee to bring it back up at the next meeting.

3. REINSTALLATION OF PARKING SPACES – 1700 BLOCK OF 12TH STREET

Police Chief Kelley was contacted by Wisconsin Cheese Group to replace the parking stalls that were changed during their building renovation projects. He recommends returning it to the way it was. DPW Gerber added explanation and cited MUTCD requirements regarding the crosswalk mid-block. Questions and discussion took place. Chief Kelley said that the temporary crosswalk may not have been done by Council action, but he thought the regulatory stalls along the building were, so he would do a resolution to Council. Alderperson Bauman moved to recommend to Council to put back public parking spaces in the 1700 block of 12th Street. Alderperson Miller seconded the motion. On voice vote, motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

4. PARKING ENFORCEMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS

Police Chief Kelley asked if there were any questions on what was in the packet, or if there were any changes needed. This would be requesting a vendor to make a proposal for taking over parking enforcement, especially in the Downtown, but possibly including Calendar Parking and the Parking Ramp. Questions and discussion took place. Assistant Administrator Shanks added comments on start date and selection criteria. Chief Kelley said he used a Bremerton, Washington RFP as a basis for this one. There would be no cost involved with the RFP, and it would come back to this committee to finalize a resolution to Council if a selection was made. Alderperson Bauman made a motion to go ahead with the RFP. Alderperson Miller seconded the motion. On voice vote, motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

E. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS

None

F. ADJOURNMENT

Alderperson Miller made a motion to adjourn. Alderperson Bauman seconded the motion. On voice vote, motion carried by Youth in Government members and then by the Public Safety Committee official members.

Ellen K. Miller, Deputy Clerk