



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Public Safety and Licensing Committee

*Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II, Vice Chair Aron Wisneski, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman Robert Mozol, Alderman Terry McCarthy*

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Monday, February 9, 2009

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

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### Call To Order

**PRESENT:** 5 - Q.A. Shakoor, II, Aron Wisneski, Terry McCarthy, Jim Kaplan and Robert Mozol

### Approval of Minutes for the January 26, 2009 Meeting.

*Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed on motion of Alderman Wisneski.*

### PUBLIC COMMENT

*No one appeared.*

### 09-3183

**Subject:** Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission for the Mayor and City Clerk to be authorized to sign an updated lease agreement for Engine House 3 Museum with the Racine Fire Bells, Inc. (Res.09-1232)

### **Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-09-09:** That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the updated lease agreement for Engine House 3 Museum with the Racine Fire Bells, Inc.

### **Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-09-09:** That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the updated lease agreement for Engine House 3 Museum with the Racine Fire Bells, Inc

**Fiscal Note:** The Fire Department will cover the cost of building utilities in an amount of approximately \$2,500 per year under this agreement.

*Chief Hansen informed committee members that the last agreement was dated 1976. He stated the agreement would basically remain the same with a couple slight modifications. He stated that since this is a City building, the City would be responsible for the utility cost. He stated he felt a hold harmless agreement should be instituted for storage and display of artifact.*

**Recommended For Approval**

[09-3182](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to apply for, and if awarded, accept the 2009 DHS/Port Security Grant on behalf of the Racine Fire Department and the RCWRRT. Grant Control #: 2009-006. (Res.09-1233)

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on**

**2-09-09:** That permission be granted for the Fire Chief to apply for, and if awarded, accept the 2009 DHS/Port Security Grant on behalf of the Racine Fire Department and the RCWRRT.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-09-09:** That permission be granted for the Fire Chief to apply for, and if awarded, accept the 2009 DHS/Port Security Grant on behalf of the Racine Fire Department and the RCWRRT.

**Fiscal Note:** There is a hard match of 25% or \$15,000, which will be covered with carry-forward funds from the 2008 fire department budget.

*Chief Hansen appeared an informed committee members this grant would be used to replace 15-18 year old dry suits that are used for diving and it would supply better air supply.*

**Recommended For Approval**

[09-3155](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services requesting permission to waive formal bidding for the purchase of playground equipment for Lockwood Park. (Res.09-1234)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-9-09:** That permission be granted to waive the formal bidding for the purchase of playground equipment for Lockwood Park.

**Fiscal Note:** Funds are available in account 989.700.5140.

*Director Snow appeared and informed committee members he was requesting permission to waive the formal bidding and be allowed to purchase from a vendor they have previously dealt with and are very satisfied with the quality of their equipment.*

**Recommended For Approval**

[09-3177](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services requesting permission to enter in an agreement with AECOM to prepare plans and specifications for replacing the North Beach sanitary lift station. (Res.09-1235)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-9-09:** That permission be granted to the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services to enter in an agreement with AECOM

to prepare plans and specifications for replacing the North Beach sanitary lift station.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 989-700-5050, North Beach Sanitary Lift Station.

*Director Snow appeared and informed committee members this agreement would be for preparing plans and specifications to replace a 35 plus years lift station (pumping system) for North Beach.*

**Recommended For Approval**

[09-3178](#)

**Subject: (Direct Referral)** Change Order #7 Contract 52-07 (K7-061), Remodel Racine Zoological Gardens, Phase III, by Seater Construction Co., Inc. (Res.09-1236)

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 2-9-09:** That Change Order #7 for Contract 52-07 (K7-061), Remodel Racine Zoological Gardens, Phase III, by Seater Construction Co., Inc. be approved in the increased amount of \$60,209.05.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 987.740.5030, Entrance Complex/Parking, \$293,266.00 for the City's portion of the project. The remaining funds will be provided by the Racine Zoological Society.

*Donnie Snow appeared and informed the committee this change order would be about a \$60,000.00 increase.*

**Recommended For Approval**

[09-3187](#)

**Subject:** Communication from Joseph Mooney, requesting to meet with the appropriate committees to discuss beer permits issued for Monument Square and additional signage.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 2-9-09:** That Director Snow work with Mr. Mooney on his concerns as well as the item going before the Traffic Commission for their input on the signage that is requested and the item be received and filed.

**Recommendation of the Traffic Commission (02-16-09):** Receive and file.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

*Joseph Mooney appeared and expressed to committee members some concerns that had come forward at a recent meeting. He stated he felt the City should provide four signs to use during events held at Monument Square involving alcohol to read "no alcoholic beverages beyond this point".*

*Chairman Shakoor questioned how this would be policed and who would pay for the signage. Mr. Mooney indicated he was looking for the City to pay for the signage.*

*Donnie Snow approached the committee and informed them any rentals of Monument Square would come before the Park and Recreation Board and he would be happy to work with Mr. Mooney to bring resolution to their concerns. It was noted that this item has already been referred to the Traffic Commission for their input as well.*

**Received and Filed**

[09-3164](#)

**Subject: (Renewal)** Application of Racine Antique Mall for a Secondhand Article Dealer's License for 310 Main Street. (1st District).

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 2-9-09:** That the application of Racine Antique Mall for a Secondhand Article Dealer's License for 310 Main Street be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

**Granted**

[09-3171](#)

**Subject: (Direct Referral)** Request of the Committee for the appearance of Egidio Infusino, Agent for Infusino All Sports, LLC, 3458 Rapids Drive, due to recent incidents at your establishment.

**Recommendation of Public Safety & Licensing Committee 2-9-09:** That the item be deferred for two weeks and the agent receive a copy of the incidents summary report from the police department as well as a copy of ordinance 41-06 and report back to committee as to what measures they will be taking to correct the on-going problems.

*Dawn Burbee and Edidio Infusino appeared. Ms. Burbee stated that for the last several months they have noticed an increase in incidents at their establishment. She stated they have met and decided to hire more security to help eliminate some of the problems. Their camera system has been in place for about 3 years and they will be updating to a "vegas" style camera system which will cover much more of the inside and outside of the establishment. Chairman Shakoor read them a little bit of ordinance 41-06 detailing where they are responsible for controlling their parking lot and continuous training of their bartenders, bouncers and other staff members.*

*Ms. Burbee requested a copy of the incidents summary report from the police department as well as a copy of ordinance 41-06. It was arranged for her to pick up the information from the City Clerk's office. After they review the incidents an ordinance, they should report back to the committee in two weeks as to what measures they will be taking to correct the on-going problems.*

**Deferred**

[08-3046](#)

**Subject: (Direct Referral)** Request of the Committee for the appearance of Tommy Daniels, Agent for Cash Money, 901 S. Memorial Drive, due to recent incidents at your establishment.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**1-12-09:** That the item be deferred until the next meeting when the liaison officer from the police department will be available to offer more information to committee members.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee**

**1-26-09:** The applicants work with the City Attorney, Alderman of the District and the Police Department to come up with an agreement which will increase public safety in and around the establishment. The agreement should also contain details of the camera system which will be used at this establishment and the agreement come before the committee at it's next meeting for review.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee**

**2-9-09:** That the item be received and filed as applicant voluntarily surrendered his license on February 2, 2009.

**Received and Filed**

[09-3194](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) License Premise Report for 1-20-09 to 02-02-09

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-9-09:** That the agent of Rojo's, 1317 Yout Street be requested to appear at the March 9, 2009 meeting and the police department supply committee members with a 12 month incident report for the establishment and the balance of the report be received and filed.

**Further recommend:** That the agents of The Warning Track, 1301 Washington Avenue and El Cotorreo, Inc., 1224 16th Street be requested to appear at the February 23, 2009 meeting to discuss incidents at their establishment for the last 12 months.

**Received and Filed**

[09-3181](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the sale of abandoned vehicles for January 29, 2009.

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-9-09:** That the item be received and filed.

**Fiscal Note:** This will generate \$6,488.01 in revenues.

**Recommended to be Received and Filed**

[09-3191](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Operator's (Bartender) Licenses

**Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on**

**2-9-09:** That the Operator's (Bartender) licenses be granted.

**Fiscal Note:** N/A

Granted

**Miscellaneous Business**

*Chairman Shakoor reminded committee members to be prepared for the fireworks item as it will appear on the next agenda.*

**Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 6:15p.m. by Alderman Wisneski.*