

City of Racine Meeting Minutes

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Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II, Vice Chair Gregory Helding
Alderman David L. Maack, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman Robert Mozol

Monday, July 23, 2007 5:00 PM City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Q.A. Shakoor II, Gregory Helding, David L. Maack, Jim Kaplan and Robert

Approval of Minutes for the July 9, 2007 Meeting.

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

to Approve the Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kristin Niemiec

07-0906

Subject: Communication from Police Chief Wahlen, requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2007 Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (grant control # 2007-039).

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

07-23-07: Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$4,000 Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2007 Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant, (Grant Control No. 2007-039).

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

07-23-07: That permission be granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$4,000 Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2007 Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant, (Grant Control No. 2007-039).

Fiscal Note: There is a 25% soft mach, (\$1,000) required on the part of the City.

Chief Wahlen appeared and requested permission to apply for the Pedestrian Safety Enforcement Grant.

Recommended For Approval

07-0907

Subject: Communication from Police Chief Wahlen, requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2007 Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant (grant control # 2007-040).

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

07-23-07: Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$4,000 Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2007 Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant, (Grant Control No. 2007-040).

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 07-23-07: That permission be granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$4,000 Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2007 Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant, (Grant Control No. 2007-040).

Fiscal Note: There is a 25% soft mach, (\$1,000) required on the part of the City.

Chief Wahlen appeared and requested permission to apply for the Bicycle Safety Enforcement Grant.

Recommended For Approval

O7-0921 Subject: Direct Referral, Bids for Contract 44-07 (K7-052) Lockwood Park Tennis Court Lighting.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee of 7-23-07: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized permission to enter into a contract with DRTJ Systems, for Tennis Court Lighting at Lockwood Park for a contract amount of \$53,454.00.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 987.700.5060 Lockwood Install Tennis Court Lights.

Donnie Snow appeared and informed the committee that five bids were received, with the lowest bid being \$53,454.00 from DRTJ Systems.

Recommended For Approval

Subject: Direct Referral, Change order #1 and final payment on Contract 30-07 (K7-034), Water Main Replacement at Shoop Golf Course by Reesman's Excavating & Grading, Inc. of Burlington, WI.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee of 7-23-07: That the work of Reesman's Excavating & Grading, Inc. of Burlington, WI, on Contract 30-07 (K7-034) for Water Main Replacement at Shoop's Golf Course be accepted and that final payment be made in the amount \$24,092.00.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 107.00.5750, Shoop Replace Clubhouse Water Main.

Donnie Snow appeared and requested final payment for Water Main Replacement at

City of Racine

07-0933

Shoop Golf Course by Reesman's Excavating & Grading, Inc. of Burlington, WI as the work has been completed.

Recommended For Approval

07-0530

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 11th District requesting adoption of an ordinance relating to residency restrictions of sex offenders within the City of Racine.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 5-7-07: That the Communication from the Alderman of the 11th District requesting adoption of an ordinance relating to residency restrictions of sex offenders within the City of Racine be deferred until the July meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be deferred to give the committee time to obtain further information.

Barbara Hansen Assistant Chief of Probation/Parole appeared and distributed handouts both supporting and against an ordinance relating to residency restrictions.

Eric Weirslen Sex Offender Specialist from DOC appeared and informed the committee about the use of the Sex Offender Registration and how it is used by Law Enforcement and Department of Corrections. Weirslen stated the Registration is useful to the community to monitor where the offender is.

Julia Stark DOC Field Supervisor appeared. She is the supervisor for the Racine County Area Probation/Parole Agents and updated the committee on guidelines that are used in the Racine Area.

Deferred

07-0757

Subject: Renewal application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008:

Rosie H. Carothers - 1333 Douglas Avenue

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 6-11-07: That the renewal of the license extension be granted until the investigation is complete and the committee determines how they would like to proceed.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the renewal license be granted and the owner be requested

to appear at the August 13, 2007 meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

07-0759

Subject: Renewal application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008:

Rogene Marie Katt - 1328 Superior Street

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

6-11-07: That an extension

be granted and the City Attorney prepare an agreement for this establishment.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the renewal license for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008 be granted and that the owner be requested to appear at the August 13, 2007 meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

07-0761

Subject: Renewal application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008:

Jack J. Moreno - 3620 Northwestern Avenue

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

6-11-07: The extension be granted for the the renewal of the license and the City Attorney review the police reports to determine if any of the latest incidents are in violation of the current agreement.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-9-07: That the item be deferred and an extension be granted for the renewal of the license.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the renewal license for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008 be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

07-0874

Subject: The following **renewal** application for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008.

Bhupinder Kaur Bhatti

965 Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Drive

(Sam's Liquor)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-9-07: That the **renewal** application for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008, Sam's Liquor be deferred unit July 23, 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the **renewal** license for a "Class A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2007-2008, Sam's Liquor be referred to the City Attorney for resolution and the license be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Clerk informed committee members the owner had been advised on 3 separate ocassions of the earliest date she would be allowed to open due to the lateness of her filing her application.

Capt. Pavilonis informed committee members that during the June 30th checks on establishments that were on the shut down list. Officers found on July 1st this establishment open and liquor on the shelves and informed the owner she needed to shut down. During routine checks on July 2nd, officers found the establishment opened and liquor still on shelves and witnesses informed officers that beer and liquor were being sold out of the establishment. Officers issued the owner a citation for \$298 for violation of operating without a license.

Motion made by Alderman Helding that the item of Sam's Liquor be referred to the City Attorney for a resolution and the license be granted.

Attorney Robert Keller appeared on behalf of Sam's Liquor and stated his client will work with the City Attorney's office and the committee to work out a resolution.

Recommended For Approval

AYES: 3 - Gregory Helding, David L. Maack and Jim Kaplan

NOES: 1 - Robert Mozol

NON VOTING: 1 - Q.A. Shakoor II

07-0913

Subject: Application of Amarjit Singh, Marathon Gas Mart for a Gasoline Station/Manager at 3024 Rapids Drive.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the Gasoline Station/Manager license at 3024 Rapids Drive

be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

07-0835

Subject: (Change of Agent) Application of Evelyn's Club Main, Catherine R. Kett, Agent, for a Change of Agent for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 331 Main Street. (1st District)

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee of 07-09-07: The Change of Agent for Evelyn's Club Main be deferred until the July 23, 2007 meeting as the agent did not appear.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the Change of Agent for Evelyn's Club Main 331 Main Street be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Catherine R. Kett, Agent appeared and informed the committee that she has met the six month residency requirement.

Recommended For Approval

07-0953

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Heidi Czechowicz regarding your renewal application for an Operator's (Bartender) License for a sale to an underage person.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Heidi Czechowicz appeared and informed the committee that employees at Teezers are required to check ID's of all persons on premises.

Received and Filed

07-0938

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) The request of the committee for the appearance lyad M. Alabed, Agent, for Moody's, 1711 N. Main Street, relating to an incident that occured at the establishment on June 4, 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

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7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Iyad Alabed appeared and informed the committee that all single cans of beer have been removed from the store and will no longer be sold.

Received and Filed

07-0939

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Deepinder S. Dhaliwal, Agent, for A& D Petroleum 1917 Sixteenth Street for an incident that appeared on the May 2007 License Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on **7-23-07:** That the item be deferred to the August 13, 2007 meeting.

Fiscal Note: N/A

No one appeared and the committee requested that the item be deferred until the August 13, 2007 and the City Clerk contact Deepinder S. Dhaliwal, Agent.

Deferred

07-0940

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Aziz Abdul, Agent for S & F Food Mart, 1347 Lathrop Avenue, relating to an incident that appeared on the May 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Aziz Abdul, Agent appeared and informed the committee they are more careful about asking customers for Identification.

Received and Filed

07-0941

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Robert G. Helvick, Agent, for Piggly Wiggly, 3900 Erie Street, regarding an incident that appeared on the May 2007 License Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Robert Helvick, Agent appeared and informed the committee that the clerk responsible for the violation has been terminated. Helvick also informed the committee that all employees are thoroughly trained and issued a policy manual.

Received and Filed

07-0942

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) Request of the Committee for the appearance of James Schutz, Agent, Citgo/Open Pantry 3441 Spring Street, regarding an incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

James Schutz, Agent appeared and informed the committee the employee responsible for the violation has been terminated and that all employees have been instructed to check all customer's identification.

Received and Filed

07-0943

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Vicky Huska, Agent for Speedway, 4620 Washington Avenue, relating to an incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rita Tremmel, District Manager appeared and informed the committee the employee responsible for the violation was new, and their establishment is considering purchasing the license scanning system. Tremmel also informed the committee that her establishment does internal investigations to make sure employees are properly carding customers.

Received and Filed

07-0944

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) Request of the committee for the appearance of Chandra S. R. Pula, Agent, Mobile Station, 3700 Spring Street for an incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be referred to the City Attorney's Office to initiate an agreement which would require the business owner to install a Security Identification System and the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Chandra Pula, Agent appeared and informed the committee that he has talked to all of his employees regarding checking identification and that his establishment will have the Identification Scanning System in place within 3 months.

Alderman Maack made a motion that the item be referred to the City Attorney's Office to initiate an agreement which would require the business owner to install a Security Identification System.

Received and Filed

07-0945

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Surinder Kalra, Agent, for Marathon Station, 3024 Rapids Drive for an incident that appeared on the June 2007 License Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Surinder Kalra, Agent appeared and informed the committee he has recently sold the establishment, but he was the agent at the time of the violation.

Received and Filed

07-0946

Subject:(Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Vitalia Koch, Agent for Speedway, 2110 Greenbay Road, relating to an incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rita Tremmel, District Manager appeared and informed the committee the employee responsible for the violation was new, and their establishment is considering purchasing the license scanning system. Tremmel also informed the committee that her establishment does internal investigations to make sure employees are properly carding customers.

Received and Filed

07-0947

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Vishnu Patel, Agent for Dandee Liquor, 3700 Meachem Road for and incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Vishnu Patel, Agent and his son appeared and informed the committee that his daughter was responsible for the violation and he has since spoken with all of his employees reminding them to be sure to check identification.

Alderman Helding recommended that Patel consider purchasing and Identification Scanning System.

Received and Filed

07-0948

Subject: (**Direct Referral**) Request of the Committee for the appearance of James Gregory, Agent for Racine Produce, 3701 Durand Avenue, for an incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the item be deferred and the agent be required to appear.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Angela appeared on behalf of James Gregory, Agent and informed the committee that Mr. Gregory had a prior engagement in Chicago.

Alderman Maack requested that the item be deferred until August 13, 2007 meeting and Mr. Gregory be required to attend. He also requested that Capt. Pavilonis to have a complete history report of incidents at the establishment from July 6, 2004 - current date.

Deferred

07-0949

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the Committee for the appearance of Mohammad D. Al-Albed, Agent for Sunshine Supermarket, 1559 Taylor Avenue, for an incident that appeared on the June 2007 Licensed Premise Report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 7-23-07: That the renewal of the license be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mohammad D. Al-Abed, Agent appeared and informed the committee that the employee responsible for the violation was new and has since been informed about the importance of checking identifications.

Received and Filed

07-0916

Subject: (Renewal) The application of Racine Yellow Cab, for a Public Passenger Vehicle Operator's Business License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the renewal license be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Received and Filed

07-0912 Subject: (Direct Referral) The application of Interstate Towing, Inc. for a

2007-2008 Motor Vehicle Towing License. (Renewal)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the renewal license be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Received and Filed

O7-0917 Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the monthly report for the sale of abandoned vehicles for July

12, 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: This will generate \$9,311.00 in revenues.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

<u>07-0802</u> **Subject:** (**Direct Referral**) Request of the Committee for the appearance

of Naimishkukmar J. Joshi, regarding his application for an Operator's

(Bartender's) License.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee of

06-25-07: That the item be deferred until further information is obtained.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee of

07-09-07: That the item be deferred until further information is obtained.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That the application be denied due to applicant not complying

with the requirements of the Police Department.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Denial

Subject: (Direct Referral) Applications for Operator's (Bartender's)

Licenses.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

7-23-07: That Mina Kwak be requested to appear at the August 13, 2007

meeting and the balance of the licenses be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm by Alderman Helding. The next scheduled meeting of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee is August 13, 2007.

ATTEST: JANICE M. JOHNSON-MARTIN CITY CLERK