

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

Monday, September 22, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

PRESENT: 3 - Q.A. Shakoor, II, Aron Wisneski and Robert Mozol

EXCUSED: 2 - Terry McCarthy and Jim Kaplan

Approval of Minutes for the September 8, 2008 Meeting.

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

Public Comment

No one appeared.

08-2612

Subject: The Chief of Police requesting permission to enter into an agreement with Property Room.com Inc. for the auction and disposition of unneeded property and evidence.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 09-08-08: Permission granted for the Chief of Police to enter into an agreement with Property Room.com Inc. for the auction and disposition of unneeded property and evidence.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 9-22-08: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to enter into an agreement with Property Room.com Inc. for the auction and disposition of unneeded property and evidence and the language in the fiscal note be amended.

Fiscal Note of Public Safety and Licensing Committee: There will be no up-front costs to the City. The City will receive a minimum of 50% or more of the winning bid less any applicable fees.

Fiscal Note of Finance & Personnel: There will be no up-front costs to the City with revenues totaling 50% of the winning bid for each item sold.

Deputy Chief Christensen appeared.

Alderman Shakoor expressed his concern on the 50% return and why we were not seeking to gain more on our return in particular large items such as vehicles, boats, cars, etc. We are looking for more revenue for the Police Department. Example: 3 year referendum for \$400,000 each year will be going before citizens in November. Deputy Chief Christensen explained that large items would not be included in the auction. He stated this would be less record keeping on the part of the police staff. He also indicated that if an item is priced over \$1,000 dollars, the return could be as high as 75%.

Alderman Wisneski made a motion to approve the item by amending the language in the fiscal note to read as follows:

There will be no up-front costs to the City. The City will receive a minimum of 50% or more of the winning bid less any applicable fees.

Recommended For Approval with Amendment

08-2696

Subject: Res.08-1018 of September 16, 2008 relating to Chief of Police being granted permission to enter into agreement for auction and disposition of unneeded proprerty and evidence, be approved with an amendment to the language of the fiscal note to read as follows:

There will be no up-front costs to the City. The City will receive a minimum of 50% or more of the winning bid less any applicable fees.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 9-22-08: That Resolution 08-1018 be adopted as amended.

Fiscal Note: There will be no up-front costs to the City. The City will receive a minimum of 50% or more of the winning bid less any applicable fees.

That the same amendment to the fiscal note be applied to the Resolution as follows:

There will be no up-front costs to the City. The City will receive a minimum of 50% or more of the winning bid less any applicable fees.

Recommended For Approval

08-2641

Subject: (New) Application of PJ Doghouse, Inc. (Dog House Sportsbar Grille), Mario Passarelli, Agent for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2322 Lathrop Avenue. (11th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-22-08: That the new application of PJ Doghouse, Inc. (Dog House Sportsbar Grille), for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for 2322 Lathrop Avenue be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mario Passarelli appeared and informed committee members he will be responsible for the day to day operations and has an extensive amount of experience. He informed the committee he has been a partner at this establishment for the last four years and has received no citations for underage sales to minors.

Recommended For Approval

08-2609

Subject: (Direct Referral) Renewal application of Abdul G. Hafiz, Racine Yellow Cab, LLC, for a Public Passenger Vehicle Operator's Business License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: That the item be deferred for two weeks.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-22-08: That the license be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

08-2627

Subject: (New) Application of 1834 Ventures, Ltd., Lyssa King for a Secondhand Jewelry Dealer License for 5538 Durand Avenue. (14th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee of 09-22-08: That the license be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

08-2661

Subject:(Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the monthly report for the sale of abandoned vehicles for September 15, 2008.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-22-08: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: This will generate \$5,751.01 in revenues.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

08-2662

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

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-22-08: That the applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses

be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

08-2697

Subject: Ord.13-08 of 09-16-08 to repeal and recreate Sec.66-57 and to amend Sec. 66-58 of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to Possession or Discharge of Weaponry; Concealed Weapon - Possessing dangerous weapon.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 09-22-08: Ordinance 13-08 be adopted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

08-2660

Subject: (Direct Referral) Discussion on how the committee would like to proceed with The Club, 1244 Washington Avenue.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 9-22-08: That the committee move forward with the due process hearing.

Attorney Rusch appeared and informed committee members of a new amended agreement he had received from the Attorney for the applicant. He informed committee members they would need to decide if they wanted to move forward with a due process hearing or determine if the amended agreement was in line with requested requirements.

Alderman Mozol made a motion to proceed with the due process hearing. Motion passed by the following voice vote:

AYES: WISNESKI AND MOZOL NON VOTING: SHAKOOR

EXCUSED: KAPLAN AND MCCARTHY

Received and Filed

08-2550

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Alderman of the 13th District requesting to discuss video poker machines at gas stations, convenience stores and other places.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on **08-25-08**: That the item be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-8-08: That the item be deferred to gather more information.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 09-22-08: That the item be deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Spangenberg informed committee members that he has submitted a letter to State Representative Lehman requesting this issue be addressed at the State level. He stated he was looking for some clarification of the law.

Committee members requested the City Attorney draft a letter to be sent to the State legislatures requesting they take some type of action on this issue.

Motion was made by Alderman Wisneski that the item be deferred for two weeks.

Deferred

Miscellaneous Business

Chairman Shakoor informed members the License Premise report which was handed out by Sgt. Payne, would be put in their mailboxes and addressed at the next meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10p.m. by Alderman Wisneski.