

Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 4, 2023 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street, Evansville, WI

MINUTES

1. Call to Order. *by Chairperson Stuart, 6:00 p.m.*
2. Roll Call.

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present/Absent</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Alderpersion Erika Stuart, Chair	P	Carolyn Kleisch, EMS Chief
Alderpersion Gene Lewis	P	Chris Jones Lt.
Alderpersion Ben Corridon	P	Jess Rittenhouse, Sgt
		Jolene Klitzman, Deputy Clerk
		Melissa Schnepfer, Citizen

3. Motion to approve the Agenda. *by Stuart, Seconded by Lewis. Motion carried 3-0*
4. Motion to approve the August 2, 2023, Public Safety regular meeting minutes. *by Stuart, Seconded by Corridon. Motion carried 3-0*
5. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed. *N/A*
6. Old Business. *N/A*
7. New Business.
 - A. **Motion to approve the Operator’s License Application(s)** for: *(recommended by Evansville Police Department).*
 - 1) Lane Robert Lederman
 - 2) Melissa Lyn Schnepfer *by Stuart, Seconded by Corridon Motion carried 3-0*
 - 3) Barbara Ann Hermanson
Stuart motioned to pend Michelle until next month as Rock County system was out of order. Michelle will be moved to the November agenda. Motion carried 3-0.
 - 4) Michelle Marie Rucks (pending background system has been down)
 - B. **Discussion with possible motion to approve the Temporary Class “B” Retailer License Application for the sale of Fermented Malt Beverage for:**
 - 1) Evansville Community Theater – 104 W. Main Street, Evansville, WI 53536
 - October 12 & 13th 7 p.m.
 - October 14th at 5 p.m. *by Stuart, Seconded by Corridon. Motion carried 3-0*

Corridon asked how long the play will run for as it was not listed on the application. Stuart asked if it was like before where you could buy a drink and if they would stay on premise.

- C. **Discussion for intersection of Cemetery Rd and E. Main Street.**

Lt. Jones explained the concern from a citizen brought to our attention that when cars are parked at the corner it becomes a one lane road and it is hard to see when you are pulling out onto main street. Ordinance 122-129

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no parking within 15 feet of a crosswalk. Looking into a no parking on the west side of the road as there is no curb on that side. Lt. Jones suggestion was to put a sign just south of the driveway that says no parking here to corner. Erika asked about parking by the second house on the left and Lt. Jones said yes you can park there. The committee then talked about other streets with the same issue. Corridon moved to recommend to Common council to put a sign to the west side from last driveway to the curb with sign "No parking from here to corner" Seconded by Stuart. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion occurred:

After the motion was carried out, the committee had a discussion about other streets that may need one side parking or no parking signs from here to corner. Corridon asked how we can go about talking about other streets, Lewis said maybe a public notice in paper to get feedback. Also, talking about just doing the 15 feet setbacks at the corners.

- 8.** *Evansville Police Department Report. Lt. Jones reported on the reports. PD Staff and DPW and EV Fire assisted with traffic for the Homecoming parade. One candidate is currently in the academy and will finish in December. One officer remains on light duty until next week. The new squad car is still on the wait list with Ford, still not sure when they will receive it.*
- 9.** *Evansville Emergency Medical Services Report. Chief Kleisch reported on the report. Chief Carlyn talked about the Rock County System being down and how it started Friday night and how it is affecting everyone. Chief Carolyn, Keri and Karla attended the Recruitment Fair at Black Hawk Technical College. Ben La Pointe has officially joined the service. Staff attended the Death Scene Investigation class. (pediatric deaths) Response time is down this month.*

Discussion occurred:

Stuart was asking about putting pedestrians' issues with cars and maybe inviting high school kids to a meeting, talked about 4th and main and Garfield & 5th. Stuart/Lt. Jones talked about state law as a pedestrian is in the street/crosswalk the car is supposed to stop. Stuart mentioned how she almost got hit twice while in the crosswalk. Was not sure if it was overstepping to invite a counselor from the high school. Chief Kliesch thought it was a good idea to invite someone from the high school and mentioned how some kids still don't have to take a road test as long as a parent signs off. Lewis mentioned how even a few adults need to know how to use crosswalks, even the pedestrians as they just walk and don't look either. Lt. Jones mentioned that it is a misunderstanding that the pedestrians have the right of way, but they don't unless they are already in the crosswalk. Stuart feels it would be an interesting conversation on the topic of safety. Corridon mentioned signs from construction that also block the cross ways as well. Corridon said he would be happy to talk to someone at the high school and Stuart and Corridon will work on this together.

10. Meeting Reminder: Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

11. Motion to adjourn. *by Stuart, Seconded by Corridon, 6:43 p.m.*

Jolene Klitzman, Deputy Clerk