

# **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, September 7, 2010**

**5:00 PM, City Hall**

**A. ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Present were Chairperson Koch, Alders Ingwell and Hannes; Alt Schuringa, Mayor Ross, Fire Chief Rausch and Police Chief Kelley. Also present were Alders Lefevre, Henke and Kallembach, and Tere Dunlap from The Times.

**B. CORRECTION OF THE MINUTES:** None

**C. MAKE SURE DOORS ARE UNLOCKED**

**D. ANY APPEARANCES FROM THE PUBLIC:** None

**E. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Rausch had no business.

**F. BUSINESS PRESENTED BY POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

- 1. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON REQUEST TO EXTEND ATV ROUTE:** Request from owners of Gasthaus Motel to extend ATV Route in City to include 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 30<sup>th</sup> Street, and 30<sup>th</sup> Street to midblock in the 600 block. Lengthy discussion followed. The prior owners of the motel had requested this in the past, and the Committee asked at that time for the prior owners to ask residents along this corridor to sign a petition of support. The area is all residential. Committee decided to have new owners follow the same request. Motion by Alder Ingwell to have Chief Kelley send the requestors a letter asking for them to obtain a petition and to bring action back when petition is obtained; second by Alder Hannes; carried unanimous.
- 2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR SIGN IN THE TERRACE IN 200 BLOCK OF 6<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE WEST:** This issue was not taken up based on request from petitioners, via Director of Public Works.
- 3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON REQUEST TO USE CITY STREET FOR PURPOSES OF HAVING A BEER GARDEN:** Suisse Haus is requesting to be able to extend their alcohol license out from the building into the street for the purpose of placing a beer garden there. No more than 1/2 of the street will be used, allowing for access by emergency vehicles. Resolution by the Public Safety Committee recommending the approval of a request from Suisse Haus to be able to use the south half of the west end of the 1600 block of 12<sup>th</sup> Street for the purpose of placing a beer garden there from 12:00 PM on September 17, 2010, to 6:00 PM on September 19, 2010. This action is contingent on approval by separate action for a revised description of the alcohol licensed premises which would allow this. Motion by Alder Ingwell to send issue to Common Council for action with no recommendation; second by Alder Hannes; carried unanimous.

**4. UPDATE ON STUDY OF DOWNTOWN PARKING BY POLICE CHIEF AND CITY ENGINEER:** Chief Kelley and Engineer Supv Gerber have studied the issue of parking in the downtown, and whether it would be lawful to place parking spaces closer than 15 feet to the near limits of a crosswalk. Both agree that it would not be lawful, and this is not recommended. The issue of finding more parking in this area is still being studied, with an examination into alternate types of parking, angled vs parallel in certain areas. When this is completed, the results will be reported.

**5. APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT(S):**

**A. GREEN COUNTY ALZHEIMER'S WALK:** Resolution by the Public Safety Committee to recommend the approval of a special event permit application from the Alzheimer's and Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin, to hold the Green County Alzheimer's Walk, September 11, 2010, from 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM. The event includes a walk, beginning and ending at the Behring Senior Center, and traveling over a route approved by the Police Department. A certificate of insurance indemnifying the City of Monroe is required and is attached to the permit, along with any other permits or special requirements. For purposes of this event, the event area is that area within the Senior Center and within 100 feet of the walk route as it takes place. No other events or activities, other than those allowed by law, may take place in the same location at the same time. Motion by Alder Hannes to approve; second by Alder Ingwell; carried unanimous.

**B. GREEN COUNTY FALL NATIONALS TRACTOR AND TRUCK PULL:** Resolution by the Public Safety Committee to recommend the approval of a special event application from Green County Fall Nationals to hold a Tractor and Truck Pull, September 25, 2010, from 1:00 PM to 11:59 PM, at the Green County Fair Association fairgrounds. A certificate of insurance indemnifying the City of Monroe is required and attached to the permit, along with any other permits or special requirements. The applicant is required to insure EMS is notified of the event, and that there is access for emergency services. The Police Department is directed to assign staff to insure adequate public safety at the event. It is further resolved that all normal vending is suspended in this area, unless approved by the applicant. For purposes of this event, the event area is that area within the private property of the fairgrounds. No other events or activities, other than those allowed by law, may take place in the same location at the same time. Motion by Alder Hannes to approve; second by Alder Ingwell; carried unanimous.

**G. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS:** *(May make brief informative statements or bring up items to be discussed at a future meeting)*

None

**H. ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Alder Ingwell to adjourn at 5:18 PM; second by Alder Hannes; carried unanimous.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Frederick A. Kelley, Chief of Police**