

**City of Lodi Public Safety Committee Meeting  
Minutes of September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Hansen called the Public Safety Committee meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Committee members present: Eric Hansen, Tim Ripp, Nick Strasser

Others present: Mayor Ann-Groves-Lloyd, Brenda Ayers, Wayne Smith, Melissa Randall-O'Neil, Joseph Leedy, Tracy Rogers, David Fobes, Rich Stevenson

**2. Meeting Etiquette**

Hansen-Skipped, no attendees online

**3. Public Input- None**

**4. Approval of Minutes from June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**MOTION** (Strasser/Ripp) to approve the minutes of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen, Ripp, Strasser); Nay- (0). **Motion carried.**

**5. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Liquor License for LaGrotta Wine Bar**

Ayers advised this is a transfer of ownership. Current license holder will have to turn in license before new one can be issued and both parties are aware. Leedy stated the closing date is September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022. **MOTION** (Ripp/Strasser) recommend to Common Council approval of Liquor License for LaGrotta Wine Bar. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen, Ripp, Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

**6. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding Liquor License for Waddleworks LLC.**

Per Ayers, this is a transfer of ownership, and the same situation applies for surrender of the existing license before a new one can be issued. The license does include the outside area of the property as does the current license held by Jack Fobes Holding. City ordinance currently requires a 6-foot-high fence surrounding areas of outdoor consumption. It is unknown if Jack Fobes Holding was grandfathered in, and the business has had outdoor consumption for some time. David Fobes briefed the committee on outdoor events that have occurred over the years at the business, additional staff scheduled for those events, and difficulty moving backwards from something everyone was used to. Fobes asked if there could be an option to have a variance, and address ordinance in the future. When asked if law enforcement had multiple calls to the business, Smith indicated no. Smith also noted from a public safety response perspective, open well-lit areas are helpful. Smith asked if the ordinance were to be changed, that a nuisance clause/demerit system be added. **MOTION** (Strasser/Ripp) Move approval of liquor license to Common Council for Waddleworks LLC, with the exception noted on the fenced in areas as they have been operating in this manner, and will continue to operate in this manner, and we will review the ordinance in the future. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen, Ripp, Strasser); Nay- (0). **Motion carried.**

**7. Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding the Fire Commission Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)**

Strasser- Markup comes out of the Fire Commission. All three Municipalities must approve the draft. IGA in existence now, auto renews. Fire Commission provided comments & corrections on attached document. Groves-Lloyd-worth sending to attorney for review. Ayers interested in how expenses will be split. Strasser noted the fire calls portion went from previous years fire calls to an average of a couple of years. Intent was to stabilize budget. Strasser also noted a mechanism was added so that bills could be approved even if they didn't have a member from each Municipality and accounting shall be performed by a bonded individual. City still completing books. Requirement for audit every two years. Agreement is for three years and will still auto renew as current one does. If significant changes are made, item should come back to Public Safety, if not it can go direct to Common Council. **MOTION** (Strasser/Ripp) move recommendation regarding the Fire Commission IGA, to Common Council, pending attorney review. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen/Ripp/Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

**8. Building Permit Monthly Report**

Reviewed, brief discussion on new construction, additions, projects, and fees.

**9. ECCJMC Monthly Report.**

Report reviewed-no discussion.

**10. Police Department Monthly Report**

Smith- July and August call totals 1125, which breaks down to roughly 18 calls per day. Lodi Ag Fair and Susie Days went well. Part-time officer resignation due to that officer being hired full-time with Wisconsin Dells PD. Financial line items discussed: Overtime budget anticipated to come in around \$25,000 for the year. Events worked do get billed which should offset a portion of the overtime budget. Water expense- some expenses were coded to the wrong account; this should be corrected by the next meeting date. Minor equipment at \$14,000 for expenditures, with \$7,000 coming back from a grant, \$2,500 coming back from CVMIC and \$500 coming back from a donation used to purchase a PBT. Options for K9 balance being explored with the intent to use funds from this account for betterment of the community.

**11. EMS Monthly Report**

No reports provided/no discussion.

**12. Fire Department Monthly Report**

Reports reviewed. Strasser- commission working on IGA, 1<sup>st</sup> draft budget reviewed at last commission meeting and there is a scheduled open house 09/11/2022 at LOFD to view the new engine.

**13. Next Meeting Date**

The next regularly scheduled meeting date is Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00pm. No agenda items requested at meeting.

**14. Adjourn**

**MOTION** (Ripp/Strasser) to adjourn at 4:51pm. Roll call vote taken- Aye (Hansen, Ripp, Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Minutes taken by Melissa Randall-O'Neil, Lodi Police Department