

CITY OF MARINETTE PUBLIC SAFETY & CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 10/15/18

1. 2nd Ward Alderperson Jeffrey Skorik, City of Marinette Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee Chairperson, **called the meeting to order** at 05:00 PM in the Marinette City Hall Common Council Chambers, 1905 Hall Avenue, Marinette WI.
2. **Upon a call of the roll** it was determined a quorum of committee members were present and the following attendance was recorded:
COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Alderpersons Skorik, Hitt, Noppenberg and Flatt.
ABSENT: Alderperson Walters.
OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Heckel, Assistant Fire Chief Campbell, Emma Kuhn, Alderperson Kowalski, Mayor Genisot, Nadine Beland, Nate Millsap and Amber Myszka.
3. **Approve Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee Meeting minutes.**
Alderpersons Noppenberg moved/**Hitt** seconded and motion to approve, as submitted, the City of Marinette Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee regular meeting minutes from 9/17/18.
4. **Update from Marinette Marine regarding the barricades on Main St.**
Marinette Marine's Director of Industrial Security and Technology, Nate Millsap gave an update on the barricades located at the Marinette Professional Building, 1510 Mains St. He stated due to continued use, and housing of US Navy soldiers, the heightened security level has not been lowered since the inception of the barriers. Mr. Millsap will continue to give the committee updates as new information may become available on this topic. No action was taken.
5. **Police Department activity report.**
Police Chief Mabry prepared and included within today's meeting agenda packet the Marinette Police Department's activity/operations report showing 12-month comparative prior and current year-to-date activity/call totals through today's date.
6. **Fire Department activity report.**
Fire Chief Heckel prepared and included within today's meeting agenda packet the Marinette Fire Department's activity/operations report through today's date.
7. **Building, Plumbing and Electrical Code Inspection activity reports.**
Municipal Building, Plumbing Code Inspector/SAFEbuilt, LLC, Representative Demlow prepared and included in today's meeting agenda packet his building inspection office activity report showing current and prior year comparative year-to-date data through September 2018 of various permits and inspections completed by the Building Code Inspector's Office.
8. **Municipal Code/Humane Officer's activity report.**
Municipal Code/Humane Officer Cherry prepared and included in today's meeting agenda packet her Office's Animal Control activity report showing comparative prior and current year-to-date (through September 2018) detail of Department calls she received for various stray animals including dogs, cats, raccoons, skunks, deer and other animals along with documented reports of animals biting humans. Officer Cherry also included separate reports listing non-compliant property owners with property upkeep issues.
9. **Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to amend MMC 9.1302(A) creating a fee schedule for the Fire Inspection Program (see attached).**
Assistant Fire Chief Campbell presented a new fee schedule for Non-Compliance with the Fire Inspection Program. The schedule was created to deter businesses from not correcting the violations given to them by the inspectors. This amendment also includes a new fee for owner failure to attend scheduled inspections. Alderpersons **Hitt** moved/**Flatt** seconded and all concurred to recommend Common Council approve the fee schedule for the Fire Inspection Program.
10. **Discussion and possible recommendation to Common Council to amend MMC 9.0317€ as it may pertain to:**
 - a) service animals; and/or
 - b) emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals supported by written documentation from a licensed healthcare or mental health professional.

Nadine Beland of 2430 Mary Street, Lot 65 addressed the committee with information in regards to how an emotional support animal provides benefit for an individual with a disability. She would like to see a revision made to the existing ordinance that allows only 3 animals of any allowed species in any dwelling. The committee members agreed that the best course of action is to refer to legal counsel and possibly research how other communities have established this into their ordinance. No action was taken.

11. Discussion and possible recommendation to the Common Council to amend MMC 16.0608 pertaining to Requirements for Safe and Sanitary Maintenance (see attached).

An amendment to the requirements for safe and sanitary maintenance for homes within the city was brought to the committee. Alderperson Flatt addressed his concern that some of the items listed in the ordinance had no quantifiable threshold to be measured by and suggested the language be modified. This item will be discussed further and no action was taken.

12. Adjournment.

Alderpersons Hitt moved/Noppenberg seconded and all concurred, to adjourn at 05:55 PM.

Mindy Campbell, City of Marinette Deputy Clerk

(The next regularly scheduled Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee meeting is Monday November 20, 2017 @ 05:30 PM, or immediately following the Civic Affairs, Cemetery, Traffic and Lights Committee meeting, whichever is later, within the Common Council Chambers.)