

COMMUNITY PROTECTION & SERVICES COMMITTEE

August 5, 2021

A meeting of the Community Protection & Services Committee was called to order at 4:36 p.m. by Chairperson Williams in the Council Chambers, City Hall. **Roll Call:** Members Ald. Williams, Ald. Reeths and Ald. Wiederanders were present. Also present from City Departments were Chief Henry, Mr. Sullivan-Robinson, Mr. VanLieshout and Ald. Gustafson.

Moved by Ald. Wiederanders, seconded by Ald. Reeths to adopt the following amended agenda:

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes from July 1, 2021
4. Public Comment on Agenda Items
5. Consideration of: Review of Ordinances for Possible Revision
 - a. Chapter 7.12 – Bicycles, Play Vehicles and In-Line Skates
 - b. Chapter 10.09 – Unreasonably and Excessive Noise
 - c. Fence Ordinance
 - d. Chapter 1 – General Government
6. Adjourn

All Ayes. Carried.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Moved by Ald. Reeths, seconded by Ald. Wiederanders to approve the July 1, 2021 minutes. All Ayes. Carried.

Public Comment

Dave Allen: Cliff Dwellers: 3540 N. Duluth Avenue, Sturgeon Bay

Review of Ordinances for Possible Revision

The purpose of the review process of City of Sturgeon Bay ordinances on file is to determine validity, enforceability, and relevance. After reviewing, if an ordinance needs to be updated it will be discussed then presented to Council.

- Chapter 7.12 – Bicycles, Play Vehicles and In-Line Skates

Concerns for damage to Graham Park was the initial reason this code was reviewed. The definition of “play vehicle” related to State Statutes, Chapter 340(43m) was determined. Leaving the eastside boundary at Oregon Street was agreed upon. Ald. Reeths does not feel the ordinance should be a deterrent, rather used as a safety guideline. Changes discussed will be maintained and sent to Council for approval.

Moved by Ald. Reeths, seconded by Ald. Wiederanders recommend the Common Council approve the changes as presented in Section 7.12 – Bicycles, play vehicles, and in-line skates of the City of Sturgeon Bay Municipal Code. All ayes. Carried.

- Chapter 10.09 – Unreasonably and Excessive Noise

It was proposed to look at implementing a time frame on noise levels. It was suggested 10pm on weeknights, 12am on weekend nights. Mr. Sullivan-Robinson proposed a draft of possible rules. Questions left for discussion include: zones to regulate, type of use regulated (i.e. amplified music), appropriate decibel readings, time frame noise is permitted and controlling constant noise violations (i.e. humming noise).

More research on decibel readings is required; this topic will be brought back to the next meeting.

- Fence Ordinance

There is a form given to property owners when constructing a fence, which lists regulations to follow. More discussion is needed if creating an ordinance, including set-backs from driveways or alleys and defining what a fence is. This will be brought back for further discussion.

- Chapter 1 – General Government
Leave on agenda for next meeting.

Moved by Ald. Wiederanders, seconded by Ald. Reeths, to adjourn the meeting of the Community Protection Services Committee. All ayes. Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Spude-Olson
Police Department Office Manager