

COMMUNITY PROTECTION & SERVICES COMMITTEE

October 13, 2021

A meeting of the Community Protection & Services Committee was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairperson Williams in the Council Chambers, City Hall. **Roll Call:** Members Ald. Williams and Ald. Wiederanders were present. Also present from City Departments were Chief Henry, Mr. VanLieshout and Mr. Sullivan-Robinson.

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

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes from September 9, 2021
4. Public Comment on Agenda Items
5. Consideration of: Request from Tracie Hoffmann to operate taxicab in the City of Sturgeon Bay, DBA Moving Violationz, LLC – Set public hearing date
6. Discussion of: Lawn Art
7. Consideration of: Review of Ordinances for Possible Revision
 - a. Chapter 10.09 – Unreasonably and Excessive Noise
 - b. Fence Ordinance
 - c. Chapter 24 – Communication Towers
 - d. Chapter 1 – General Government
8. Adjourn

All Ayes. Carried.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Moved by Ald. Wiederanders, seconded by Ald. Williams to approve the September 9, 2021 minutes. All Ayes. Carried.

Public Comment

None.

Request for Taxicab License

Tracie Hoffmann: 1804 Idlewild Road, Sturgeon Bay, WI – requested to operate a taxicab doing business as Moving Violationz, LLC. Tracie, along with her mother and sister, have a 14 passenger bus to be hired out for private parties. They will provide transportation to and from locations as requested. They are aware of all required licenses and permits.

Moved by Ald. Williams, seconded by Ald. Wiederanders, to allowing Moving Violationz, LLC to move forward with obtaining a taxicab license in the City of Sturgeon Bay, and hereby schedule a public hearing on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 4:30pm in the Council Chambers. All ayes. Carried.

Lawn Art

Ald. Wiederanders questioned whether there was an ordinance specifically related to lawn artwork that may potentially be an obstruction to others. Mr. Sullivan-Robinson stated there was not. Mr. VanLieshout suggested to determine what route for action to be taken should depend on: whether the artwork poses a hazard to traffic, it is a nuisance or it structurally is a zoning code violation. A good neighbor approach may be the best option to work out any issues the artwork may cause.

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 10.09 – Unreasonable and Excessive Noise

In discussion it was agreed the main concern is amplified noise created when music/bands perform outdoors; decibel readings are not the concern. Current readings in the City are not to exceed 90 decibels during the day, and 55 decibels at night. Final discussion concluded there to be no amplified music, whether outdoor or in common areas, between the hours of 10pm-6am Sunday-Thursday; and Midnight-6am Friday-Saturday. Mr. Sullivan-Robinson will work on formalizing a draft for next meeting.

- Fence Ordinance

A draft ordinance is completed and waiting to be reviewed. It will only cover single and two-family residential dwellings. Variances and permits are still being considered. Mr. Sullivan-Robinson will have a draft ready at the next meeting.

- Chapter 24 – Communication Towers

The final draft was distributed. No questions.

Moved by Ald. Williams, seconded by Ald. Wiederanders to recommend the Common Council approve the changes as presented in Section 24 – Communication Towers, of the City of Sturgeon Bay Municipal Code.

- Chapter 1 – General Government

This item has been discussed, and can be taken off the agenda.

Future items: Future meeting dates of the committee.

Moved by Ald. Wiederanders, seconded by Ald. Williams, to adjourn the meeting of the Community Protection Services Committee. All ayes. Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Spude-Olson
Police Department Office Manager