

CITY OF MERRILL
HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, August 22, 2022 - MINUTES

Regular Meeting City Hall Council Chambers 5:15 p.m.

Members Present: Alderpersons Mark Weix and Michael Caylor. Mike Rick was excused.

Others present in person or remote: Alderperson Rick Blake, Alderperson Dick Lupton, Deputy Health Officer Norbert Ashbeck, Police Chief Corey Bennett, Fire Chief Josh Klug, City Clerk Lori Anderson-Malm, City Administrator Dave Johnson, City Attorney Tom Hayden and Merrill Productions video operator

1. Chair Weix called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.
2. **Nuisance Complaints & Vouchers:**
 1. **Nuisance Complaints** – Deputy Health Officer Ashbeck discussed the items on the nuisance list that was included in the agenda packet.
 2. **Vouchers** - Alderperson Caylor made a motion to approve the vouchers for discussion. Chair Weix seconded the motion.
3. **Discussion on the Merrill PD response to school violence/shooting** – Police Chief Bennett gave a brief overview of training that has been completed. Because of the topic he was not able to give detailed information. Fire Chief Klug also spoke regarding traumatic instances. Both departments are prepared in the case of a traumatic situation in the City of Merrill.
4. **Minutes and Monthly Reports:**
 1. Minutes from July 25, 2022 meeting. Alderperson Caylor made a motion to accept the minutes. Chair Weix seconded and the motion carried.
 2. **Monthly Reports – Fire Chief Klug** – the report was in the agenda packet.

Fire Chief Klug discussed the report and answered any questions. He highlighted the structure files that occurred with limited damage. There are also four candidates that were approved by the Police & Fire Commission and are on the list.
 3. **Monthly Reports – Police Chief Bennett** – the report was in the agenda packet.

Police Chief Bennett reported on the instances for the month of July. He reported the Lincoln Fair went smoothly. The three new hires are doing well. The canine position is

progressing. Due to the time restraints in receiving two picnic licenses, Chief Bennett approved the temporary Class "B" picnic licenses for the VFW for September 5 and the Historical Society for September 10. He also reminded the committee of the Community Night out happening on August 30th.

4. **Consider placing monthly reports on file.**

Aldersperson Caylor made a motion to place the monthly reports on file. Chair Weix seconded and the motion carried.

5. Next meeting will be Monday, September 26 at 5:15 p.m. Deputy Health Officer Ashbeck stated he will not be at the meeting but will give the City Clerk his report.
6. Public Comment Period – none.
7. **Adjournment** – Aldersperson Caylor made a motion to adjourn. Chair Weix seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 PM.

Minutes prepared by: Lori L Anderson-Malm City Clerk