

CITY OF MERRILL
HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, February 27, 2023 - MINUTES
Regular Meeting City Hall Council Chambers 5:15 p.m.

Members Present: Alderpersons Mark Weix, Michael Caylor and Mike Rick

Others present in person or remote: Mayor Hass, City Attorney Hayden, City Clerk Anderson-Malm, Fire Chief Klug, Police Chief Bennett, Deputy Health Office Ashbeck and Nathan Meyer from Merrill Productions.

I. Chair Weix called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

II. **Minutes from the January 23rd, 2022 meeting:**

Aldersperson Rick motioned to place the minutes from January 23, 2022 meeting on file. Aldersperson Caylor seconded and the motion carried.

III. **Nuisance Complaints & Vouchers:**

1. **Nuisance Complaints** – Deputy Health Office Ashbeck reported on the nuisance complaints that were in the agenda packet.
2. **Vouchers** – Aldersperson Caylor motioned to approve the vouchers. Aldersperson Rick seconded and the motion carried.

IV. **General Agenda Items:**

1. **Consider an application for a Temporary Class “B” license for the Merrill Historical Society for March 11, 2023**
Aldersperson Rick motioned to approve the application for a Temporary Class “B” license for the Merrill Historical Society. Aldersperson Caylor seconded and the motion carried.
2. **Consider a Temporary “Class B” license for the Lincoln County Humane Society for an event on March 18th.**
Aldersperson Caylor made a motion to approve the temporary “Class B” license for the Lincoln County Humane Society. Aldersperson Rick seconded and the motion carried.

V. **Monthly Reports:**

1. Monthly Report – Fire Chief Klug – his report was in the packet. He answered questions from the committee and highlighted some items in the report.
2. Monthly Report – Police Chief Bennett – his report was in the packet and answered questions and highlighted several items in the reports.

3. Monthly Report – Humane Society – the report was in the packet.
4. Alderperson Caylor motioned to place the monthly reports on file. Alderperson Rick seconded and the motion carried.

VI. **Establish date and time of next regular meeting:**

The next meeting will be Monday, March 27 at 5:15

VII. **Public Comment**

There was no public comment

VIII. **Closed Session:**

Chair Weix read the following statement: The Committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat 19.85(1)(c) for deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, for negotiation of Lincoln County/City of Merrill Emergency Medical Services contract language, potential equipment purchases for EMS service and negotiations therefore, and related items.

City Clerk Anderson-Malm recorded the minutes without objection. The following were present in Closed Session: Alderperson Weix, Alderperson Caylor, Alderperson Rick, Mayor Hass, Fire Chief Klug, Police Chief Bennett, Deputy Health Officer Ashbeck, City Attorney Hayden and City Clerk Anderson-Malm.

Alderperson Rick made a motion to go into closed session. Alderperson Caylor seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion was approved by a 3-0 vote. The committee entered into closed session at 5:32 PM.

The committee discussed language and potential equipment purchases for Emergency Medical Services and other related items.

No formal motions were made in closed session and the committee did not reconvene in open.

IX. **Adjournment** – Alderperson Rick made a motion to adjourn. Alderperson Caylor seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Minutes prepared by: Lori L Anderson-Malm City Clerk