

VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND
Public Safety Committee Minutes

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 - 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL.

Trustee Eric Kryzenske called the regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee to order at 6:30 PM in the Community Room.

Members present: Sandy Bakk, Stephanie Brassington, Eric Kryzenske, Ken Machtan, Tyler Mortenson, and Rich Staley

Members not present: None

Staff Present: Police Chief Craig Sherven, Fire Chief Chris Dennis

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

Rob Bloxham was present for the hearing.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- a. Motion to approve the Minutes from the 7/8/2020 Public Safety Committee Meeting.*
Motion by Village Trustee Eric Kryzenske, second by Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, to to approve the Minutes from the 7/8/2020 Public Safety Committee Meeting. Motion carries 5 - 0 - 1 by acclamation.

4. BUSINESS.

a. Staff Reports

1) Fire and Rescue Department

Fire Chief Chris Dennis reviewed the monthly report.

2) Police Department

Police Chief Craig Sherven reviewed the monthly report.

b. License Hearing -

1) Conduct hearing on the recommendation from Chief Sherven to deny the issuance of an operator's license for Aaron Nash for the period ending June 30, 2021.

A hearing on the recommendation from Chief Sherven to deny the issuance of an Alcohol Beverage Operator's License for Aaron Nash was reopened at 6:48 p.m. by the Public Safety Committee on August 12, 2020 in the Community Room of the McFarland Municipal Center, 5915 Milwaukee Street, McFarland, Wisconsin. The original hearing was conducted July 8, 2020, per McFarland Village Ordinance 11-67(d). Public Safety Committee members present were Sandy Bakk, Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, Village Trustee Eric Kryzenske, Ken Machtan, Tyler Mortenson, and Rich Staley. Staff present was Chief Craig Sherven. Others present were applicant Aaron Nash and his supervisor, Rob Bloxham.

Exhibits A, B, and C were previously submitted into the record at the July 8, 2020, hearing. Chief Sherven had no additional exhibits to present.

Deputy Clerk O'Malley swore in Aaron Nash, who provided the following exhibit: Exhibit D, AODA Discharge Summary from Crossroads Counseling Center.

Aaron Nash provided the following testimony: He stated he provided the the AODA Discharge Summary, as the board requested. Aaron Nash stated he learned from his mistake and to continue being safe identifying people. He stated he didn't like having to jump through hoops and learned from his mistake. Aaron Nash stated the underage serving was circumstantial. He was doing other things at the time. He said he's more particular and accurate in identifying people. Aaron Nash also stated he identifies anyone who looks underage or anyone who looks under 40.

Deputy Clerk O'Malley swore in Rob Bloxham, who provided the following testimony: Rob Bloxham said he is Aaron Nash's direct supervisor. He said Aaron Nash has not been cited at work, and he would not put Spartan Bowl in jeopardy if he didn't think Aaron Nash was serious. Aaron Nash shows up to all meetings and shows he is taking this seriously. Rob Bloxham stated he has a zero tolerance for alcohol consumption behind the bar and said his business has a couple full staff meetings every year covering bar basics.

Deputy Clerk O'Malley swore in Chief Craig Sherven, who did not have new exhibits and provided the following testimony. Chief Sherven said Aaron Nash has the date of the violation correct of late 2018. The police department saw the date of 2019 because the conviction wasn't entered until after the first of the year. The violation date was 10/25/2018.

The hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

The Committee proceeded with discussion on a recommendation.

- 2) Discussion and recommendation on the operator's license for Aaron Nash for the period ending June 30, 2021.

Motion by Ken Machtan, second by Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, to approve the recommendation on the operator's license for Aaron Nash for the period ending June 30, 2021, with the condition that his operator's license be immediately revoked if there is another violation and that he self reports any violations. Motion carries 5 - 1 - 0 by acclamation.

- c. Presentation of Police Department analysis report of current procedures and directives as compared to action steps relating to police reform being discussed nationally.

Chief Sherven presented the Action Step Response Report to Eight Can't Wait.

- d. Discussion and possible referral to Public Works Committee relating to a request to reduce the speed limit from 25 to 15 mph on Bremer Rd.

Matt Foust appeared before the board to discuss changing the speed limit from 25 to 15 on Bremer Road. The board discussed the pros and cons of changing the speed limit and what they've seen historically when this has been done.

Motion by Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, second by Village Trustee Eric Kryzenske, to refer to Public Works Committee relating to a request to reduce the speed limit from 25 to 15 mph on Bremer Rd. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

- e. Discussion and possible referral to the Public Works Committee regarding a request to change parking on Overlook Dr. from the west side of the road to the east side.

The board discussed the benefits of switching the parking and questioned the consensus from surrounding neighbors.

Motion by Village Trustee Eric Kryzenske, second by Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, to postpone the discussion and possible referral to the Public Works Committee regarding a request to change parking on Overlook Dr. from the west side of the road to the east side. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.

The next PSC meeting is September 9, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, second by Ken Machtan, to adjourn at 8:11 p.m.

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the public and posted on the public bulletin boards in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Respectfully submitted,
Tricia Reimer
Administrative Assistant