

VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND

**Public Safety Committee Minutes**

*Monday, July 7, 2025 - 6:30 PM*

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL.**

Village Trustee Ken Boyd called the regular meeting of the Public Safety Committee to order at 6:30 PM in the community room.

Members present: Miguel Peña, Ken Boyd, Shannon Morrison, Dottie Olson, Lori Peterson, Pat Shellenberger

Members not present: Rick Behnke

Staff Present: Police Chief Brian Redman, Fire Chief Chris Dennis, Office Manager Reimer

**2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.**

*a. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Public Safety Committee for items that are not on the agenda. Please remember this is a hybrid meeting conducted in person and through the Zoom online meeting platform. Meeting attendees wishing to address the Committee about items not on the agenda may do so at this time. Zoom attendees should type their name and address in the Question and Answer feature within the Zoom online meeting platform at this time. Members of the public who are present in person and wish to address the Committee should fill out a public comment form and turn into the meeting chairperson. When you are called upon to speak, state your name, address, and provide your comments to the Committee for their consideration. Please adhere to the 3-minute time limit. Additionally, you may send your public comments to public.safety@mcfarland.wi.us to be included as part of the meeting.*

*Members of the public may also speak during their selected agenda item as they designate on the public comment form or in the Question and Answer feature on Zoom.*

There were no public appearances.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

*a. Motion to approve the minutes of the 2/3/2025 meeting.*

Motion by Member Dottie Olson, seconded by Member Shannon Morrison, to approve the minutes of the 2/3/2025 meeting. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

**4. BUSINESS.**

*a. License Hearing -*

*1) Conduct hearing on the recommendation from Chief Redman to deny the issuance of an operator's license for Elizabeth Moen for the period ending June 30, 2026.*

Village Trustee Ken Boyd began the hearing at 6:35 p.m. Tricia Reimer swore in Chief Redman, who gave an overview on why the operator's license was denied. He referred the committee to Exhibit C for the reasons of the denial. The committee's questions were addressed by Chief Redman. Tricia then swore in Elizabeth Moen, who then gave testimony regarding her past actions and presented Exhibit D, which was a letter from Madison Area Technical College, and Exhibit E, which was a letter from Prairie

Counseling Services. Ms. Moen answered the committees questions. The hearing closed at 6:53 p.m.

2) Discussion and recommendation on the operator's license for Elizabeth Moen for the period ending June 30, 2026.

The committee then discussed the operator's license for Miss Moen. Committee members raised their concerns about approving the license due to Elizabeth Moen's past actions as well as the environment she would be working in.

Motion by Member Shannon Morrison, second by Member Pat Shellenberger, to recommend to the Village Board to deny the issuance of the operator's license for Elizabeth Moen for the subsequent period ending June 30, 2026, as per Chief Redman's recommendation. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

Village Trustee Ken Boyd read a statement to Ms. Moen reiterating that being denied does not prohibit her from serving or selling alcohol, and she can sell under the supervision of a licensed operator. The Village Board will take action on this July 22, 2025, where she can address the board.

b. Discussion and action on an Event Permit Application from Dan Chin Homes for the Sunset Social event to take place on August 7, 2025.

Village Trustee Ken Boyd introduced the item. Chief Dennis gave an overview of the item. Chief Redman gave his comments and considerations for the event. Chief Dennis and Chief Redman answered the committees questions, including capacity questions.

Motion by Village Trustee Ken Boyd, second by Member Shannon Morrison, to recommend the Village Board approve an Event Permit Application from Dan Chin Homes for the Sunset Social event to take place on August 7, 2025. Motion carries 6 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

c. Review and discussion on the Village's outdoor warning siren coverage.

Chief Dennis introduced the item and explained the importance of discussion and planning for future siren coverage, given the future growth of the village including parks and sports fields. The committee discussed future locations of potential sirens. No action required.

**5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE.**

a. 8/4/24 6:30 p.m.

**6. ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion by Village Trustee Ken Boyd, second by Member Shannon Morrison, to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the public and posted on the

public bulletin board in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tricia Reimer  
Office Manager