

CITY OF MARINETTE PUBLIC SAFETY & CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 06/21/21

1. 2nd Ward Alderperson Skorik City of Marinette Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee Chairperson, **called the meeting to order** at 05:45 PM in the Marinette City Hall Common Council Chambers, 1905 Hall Avenue, Marinette WI.
2. **Upon a call of the roll** it was determined a quorum of committee members were present and the following attendance was recorded:
COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Alderpersons Skorik, Flatt, Mikutowski & Klegin.
ABSENT: Alderperson Anderson
OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Genisot, Police Chief LaCombe, Alderperson Kowalski & Oitzinger, Fire Chief Heckel & Lynette Brosig.
3. **Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee Meeting minutes.**
Alderpersons Mikutowski moved/ Klegin seconded and all concurred, to approve, as submitted, the City of Marinette Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee regular meeting minutes from 5/17/21.
4. **Police Department activity report.**
Police Chief LaCombe prepared and included within today's meeting agenda packet the Marinette Police Department's activity/operations reports for May. Alderperson Flatt asked if a report showing time of enforcement of traffic violations and the location of the violation could be added the Chief Lacombe's report. Chief LaCombe stated the location may be a struggle as the officer walks a huge area but may be street specific.
5. **Fire Department activity report.**
Fire Chief Heckel prepared and included within today's meeting agenda packet the Marinette Fire Department's activity/operations reports for May. Chief Heckel was present and had no additional reports.
6. **Building, Inspection /Assessor's Department activity reports.**
Municipal Building & Zoning Code Inspector Curt Demlow prepared and included in today's meeting agenda packet his building inspection office activity report showing current and prior year comparative year-to-date data through May 2021 of various permits and inspections completed by the Building Code Inspector's Office.
7. **Municipal Code/Animal Control Enforcement Officer's activity report.**
Municipal Code/Animal Control Enforcement Officer Cherry prepared and included in today's meeting agenda packet her Office's Animal Control activity report showing comparative prior and current year-to-date (through May 2021) detail of Department calls she received for various stray animals including dogs, cats, raccoons, skunks, deer and other animals along with documented reports of animals biting humans. Officer Cherry also included separate reports listing non-compliant property owners who had the following property issues: unlicensed vehicles stored in yards & illegal outdoor storage of appliances.
8. **Discussion and update on the Marinette Fire Department's proposed interim Mutual Aid Agreements.**
Included in today's packet is an updated draft of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm agreements between states of Michigan and Wisconsin Municipalities. Attorney Gagan has reviewed the agreement. Chief Heckel stated this is an interim agreement until at the State level the MABAS agreement can be completed. Alderperson Flatt asked if we should add the language of specifically Menominee County in the State of MI in the agreement. Chief Heckel stated this is most likely not to happen and the Fire Department has the right to refuse to go outside of Menominee County. Alderperson Mikutowski moved/ Klegin seconded and all concurred to recommend the Common Council approve the proposed interim Mutual Aid Agreement.
9. **Discussion and possible action on report Discussion a report from the Building Inspector on the status of the properties on the watch list.**
Building Inspector Demlow was present to answer any questions the committee may have. The committee was happy with the report and feel the Building Inspector has provided a thorough and accurate report. Alderperson Mikutowski asked about 325 State St as the report show raze process has started. Building Inspector Demlow stated the razing process has started and the City Attorney is starting the legal process. Next report will be in September. No action was taken on this agenda item.
10. **Discussion and possible action regarding the process currently in place for responding to complaints of debris and materials that pose a threat to public health on private property.**
Alderperson Mikutowski is concerned about the procedure for a home that may propose a threat to Public Health on

Private property. Municipal Code/Animal Control Enforcement Officer Mary Cherry was present and reported she would first send a letter to the property owner and explained to the committee it is sometimes difficult to reach the home owner as they don't always live in town or are banks, so she needs to investigate further to find the property owner. Cherry also stated there is a process when there is a risk to the public, she stated when a complaint comes in, that has the risk she would immediately make her Sargent or Lieutenant aware and take appropriate action to ensure the safety of the public. The committee addressed Municipal Code/Animal Control Enforcement Officer Mary Cherry and thanked her for her due diligence in her effort to take care of the situations in a timely manner and get voluntary compliance in which saves time and money. No action was taken on this agenda item

11. Consideration and possible recommendation to the Common Council regarding the Fire Department Annual MDA Fill-The-Boot Campaign.

Alderspersons Flatt moved/Klegin seconded and all concurred, to recommend the Common Council **authorize** Marinette Fire Department employee participation in the 3-day CY 2021 Muscular Dystrophy Association's "Fill the boot" local fund raising campaign where firefighters, in full uniform solicit MDA donations from motorists at the intersection of Hattie Street and Hall Ave. on the 14th – 16th of July between 09:00 AM and 04:00 PM with permission to reschedule dates if in case of inclement weather. Fire Department Chief Heckel was present to respond to any questions Committee members had pertaining to their fund raising request.

12. Adjournment. Alderspersons Flatt moved/Klegin seconded and all concurred, to adjourn at 6:38PM.

Lana Bero, City Clerk

(The next regularly scheduled Public Safety and Code Enforcement Committee meeting is Monday 7/19/21 @ 5:00 PM, or immediately following the Civic Affairs, Cemetery, Traffic and Lights Committee meeting, whichever is later, within the Common Council Chambers.)

CC: Committee members; Common Council members; Mayor, City Attorney; City Building Code Inspector; Police Chief; Fire Chief; Code Enforcement Officer and Clerks file