

MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON LAW & LICENSING

August 18, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.
Common Council Chambers, City Hall

Members Present: Chairperson Ald. Jodi VanderWeele, Vice Chairperson Ald. Julie Kath, Ald. Eric Rindfleisch

Excused: Ald. Joel Hammen, Ald. Scott Versey

Others in Attendance: Assistant City Attorney Charles Adams, Lt. Scott Mittelstadt, Det. Kurt Zempel, Police Chief Chris Domagalski, City Attorney Stephen McLean, Krisandra R. Guell, William Skirvin, Steven E. Sommerfeld, Matthew D. Schemrich, Lynneha M. Sherman, Spencer E. VerVelde, Emily J. Tadych, Shawn M. Tilton

Chairperson VanderWeele called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Introduction of committee members, staff and guests.

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held August 4, 2011 was made by Ald. Kath and seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Discussion and possible action regarding adoption of a records retention schedule for the City of Sheboygan

City Attorney McLean distributed a copy of a proposed records retention schedule and explained that he has been working on the retention schedule with the department heads for the past six months. CA McLean explained that there is a September 16, 2011 deadline for submitting the schedule to the State of Wisconsin Public Records and Forms Board for their review. The final approved records retention schedule will be good for 10 years. Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to forward the records retention schedule to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation. **All ayes; motion approved.**

R.C. No. 117-11-12 (9-29) – Pawnbroker Lic. App. No. 2832-Patriot Pawn & Loan (Krisandra R. Guell, Agent)

Krisandra Guell appeared before the committee to discuss her application. Ms. Guell's business partner, Steven E. Sommerfeld, also spoke and stated that he had concerns regarding Det. Kurt Zempel's findings which had been presented to the committee at its July 27th meeting. Following a lengthy discussion, during which time Det. Zempel's findings were discussed with Mr. Sommerfeld, Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to deny the license application based upon concerns regarding issues of public safety and protection and the criminal background of Krisandra Guell's business partners. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Discussion and action on possible amendment to pawn shop license requirement ordinance

ACA Adams reviewed the proposed ordinance changes with the committee. Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to approve the proposed ordinance changes and refer the ordinance to the Common Council with a favorable recommendation, and to also investigate having these same requirements apply to secondhand jewelry and scrap metal dealers in the future. **All ayes; motion approved.**

R.O. No. 108-11-12 (8-25) – Various License Applications: Bev. Op. Lic. App. Nos. 6174 (Matthew D. Schemrich), 9204 (Lynneha M. Sherman), 8335 (Spencer E. VerVelde), 8390 (Ashley N. Wiedmeyer)

Submitting various license applications for the period ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Matthew D. Schemrich appeared before the committee to discuss his application. After discussion of his record, Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to grant the license. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Lynneha M. Sherman appeared before the committee to discuss her application. After discussion of her record, Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to deny the license application based upon her record of violations related to the licensed activity, including additional violation information provided by police at the meeting. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Spencer E. VerVelde appeared before the committee to discuss his application. After discussion of his record, Ald. Kath moved, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to grant the license with a warning to avoid future law violations. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ashley N. Wiedmeyer failed to appear before the committee. Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to deny the license application based upon Ms. Wiedmeyer's failure to accurately reveal all relevant convictions on her application, her record of violations related to the licensed activity, and her failure to cooperate with the committee. **All ayes; motion approved.**

R.O. No. 118-11-12 (9-44) – Various License Applications: Bev. Op. Lic. App. Nos. 9258 (Jessica M. Longoria), 5874 (Emily J. Tadych), 9249 (Shawn M. Tilton)

Submitting various license applications for the period ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Jessica M. Longoria failed to appear before the committee. Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to request via certified mailing Ms. Longoria's appearance before the committee at its September 8th meeting. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Emily J. Tadych appeared before the committee to discuss her application. After discussion of her record, Ald. Kath moved, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to grant the license. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Shawn M. Tilton appeared before the committee to discuss his application. After discussion of his record and his failure to include violations on his application, Ald. Kath moved, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to grant the license contingent upon the application being corrected, and with a warning to include all relevant information on future applications. **All ayes; motion approved.**

R.O. No. 86-11-12 (6-43) – Various License Applications: Taxicab Driver Lic. App. No. 9163 (Noemy Loya)

Submitting various license applications for the period ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Noemy Loya still has not provided a valid social security number to the City Clerk's Office. Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to hold this license application until Ms. Loya presents a valid social security number to the City Clerk's Office. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Discussion regarding rescheduling the Mike Grunow quasi-judicial hearing

ACA Adams informed the committee that the Grunow quasi-judicial hearing had to be postponed due to the unavailability of the officer and also because the police department was unable to serve Mr. Grunow. The hearing is being rescheduled for the September 8th meeting.

R.O. No. 146-11-12 (10-65) – Various License Applications

Submitting various license applications for the period ending June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Ald. Kath moved, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to call in Bev. Op. Lic. App. No. 9266 (Megan L. Alsteen) to discuss her application with the committee. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to grant a license with a warning, contingent upon the application being corrected, to Bev. Op. Lic. App. No. 9279 (Sarah M. Bohn). **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to call in Bev. Op. Lic. App. No. 9277 (Nicholas R. Kamada) to discuss his application with the committee. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ald. Kath moved, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to grant a license with a warning, contingent upon the application being corrected, to Bev. Op. Lic. App. No. 4517 (Kimberly A. Schueller). **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ald. Rindfleisch moved, seconded by Ald. Kath, to call in Taxicab Driver Lic. App. No. 8316 (Nassar F. Jaber) to discuss his application with the committee. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ald. Kath moved, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to grant the remainder of the license applications for individuals and entities listed on the above-referenced R.O. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Discussion and possible action regarding law violations that may require future action by the Committee

Lt. Mittelstadt indicated that the police department will continue to closely monitor any police calls to Union Avenue Tap.

After hearing a brief report from Lt. Mittelstadt regarding citations issued to Club Michigan on August 4, 2011, Ald. Rindfleisch made a motion, seconded by Ald. Kath, to call in Alc. Bev. Lic. No. 2772-Club Michigan I (Douglas C. Altmeyer, Agent) to discuss the matter with the committee. **All ayes; motion approved.**

After hearing a brief report from Lt. Mittelstadt regarding a recent incident at Kaddyshack, Ald. Kath made a motion, seconded by Ald. Rindfleisch, to call in Alc. Bev. Lic. No. 2193-The Kaddyshack LLC (Keith F. Fischer, Agent) to discuss the matter with the committee. **All ayes; motion approved.**

Ald. Rindfleisch made a motion to adjourn. Ald. Kath seconded the motion. **All ayes; motion approved.**

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

The next committee meeting is scheduled to be held on September 8, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers located at City Hall, 828 Center Avenue.