

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT
PUBLIC POLICY AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 8, 2022 - 6:29 PM**

**Community Room
933 Michigan Avenue, Stevens Point, WI**

OR

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Discussion and Possible Action on:

1. Roll Call.

Present: Ald. Fishler, Keymer, Christianson, Zarazua, Kneebone.

Others

Present: Mayor Wiza, Clerk Yenter, Deputy C/T Freeberg, H/R Manager Frasch, Ald. Shorr, Ald. Johnson, Ald. Shuda, Ald. Dalton, Ald. Morrow, Chief Moody, Asst. Chief Rottier, Director Kernosky, Director Lemke, Attorney Beveridge, Administrative Assistant Church.

2. License List:

- A. Change of Scheduled Agent: Kwik Trip, Inc, 1626 Oak Street, PO Box 2107 La Crosse, WI 54602; Donald C. Kulinski, 2090 Driftwood Drive, Stevens Point, agent at Kwik Trip 691, 1600 Maria Drive, Stevens Point, replacing Julie L. Jamrosz.**
- B. Class "B" Beer License: Pallets & Planks at 1036 Main Street, Stevens Point, Agent Sheri Hopfensperger, for license period beginning August 16, 2022.**
- C. Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License: The Store #55 at 1201 Badger Avenue, Stevens Point, Agent Kathryn Heibler, for license period beginning August 16, 2022.**
- D. Class "A" Beer/"Class A" Liquor License: The Store #57 at 201 West Clark Street, Stevens Point, Agent Jose Mata, for license period beginning**

August 16, 2022.

- E. Class “A” Beer/”Class A” Liquor License: The Store #58 at 5601 Carrie Frost Drive, Stevens Point, Agent Jessica Warner LaPointe, for license period beginning August 16, 2022.**
- F. Temporary Extension of Premise: Pete’s Sports Bar & Grill at 200 Division Street, Stevens Point, request extension of licensed premise for a special event on August 27, 2022 to include the fenced area of the Pete’s Sports Bar parking lot.**
- G. Temporary Class “B” Beer/”Class B” Wine License: Hmong American Association of Portage County, PO Box 547, Stevens Point for HAAPC Pre-New Year Celebration on September 10-11, 2022 at 701 Badger Avenue, Stevens Point.**
- H. Temporary Class “B” Beer/”Class B” Wine License: Stevens Point Alliance, PO Box 675, Stevens Point for 2022 Wine Walk on August 19, 2022 at 17 downtown locations (See Attached).**

Ald. Christianson moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to approve the license list.

No concerns from the Police Department.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

3. Request to Hold Event/Street Closing:

- A. Stevens Point Brewery Pointoberfest and Blubber Run 5K on September 17, 2022 (Recurring).**

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Zarazua seconded, to approve the event.

No concerns from the Police Department.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

4. Resolution - Advisory Referendum for Adult Use of Marijuana.

Ald. Kneebone moved, Ald. Zarazua seconded, to approve the resolution.

Ald. Johnson spoke about her past communications with legislative leaders regarding marijuana use and the potential for collaboration with neighboring municipalities.

Vincent Miresse shared that he authored and submitted the medical marijuana referendum to Portage County in 2018 and at that time 83% voted in favor of legalization. He talked about the path the Portage County referendum took after it was

passed. Mr. Miresse also spoke about the revenue the city would see if marijuana was legalized, as well as the positive impact on the opioid crisis. He also spoke about the wording of the referendum.

Attorney Beveridge, recommended removing verbiage relating to Chapter 59 which pertains only to counties.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

5. Adjournment.

Adjourned at 6:51 p.m.