

**CITY OF STEVENS POINT
PUBLIC POLICY AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES
June 12, 2023 - 6:13 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, Plaisance, Kneebone, Lang.

Others

Present: Mayor Wiza, Clerk Yenter, C/T Ladick, Assistant Chief Williams, Assessor Shepro, Director Kernosky, Chief Moody, Director Kremer, Director Beduhn, Superintendent Johnson, Deputy C/T Freeberg, H/R Manager Frasch, Attorney Beveridge.

2. License List:

- A. “Class A” Beer & Liquor License: West Side Mobil at 232 West Clark Street, Stevens Point for license period beginning June 20, 2023.**
- B. “Class A” Beer & Liquor License Renewal: West Side Mobil at 232 West Clark Street, Stevens Point for license period beginning July 1, 2023.**
- C. Class “B” Beer License Renewal: Bow Wow Meow Boutique at 3449 Church Street, Stevens Point for license period beginning July 1, 2023.**
- D. Class “B” Beer/Class “C” Wine License: Pho Ever 21 at 5509 Highway 10 East, Stevens Point for license period beginning July 1, 2023.**
- E. **“Class B” Beer & Liquor License Renewal:**
 - 1. CREATE Portage County at 1300 Maria Drive, Stevens Point for license period beginning July 1, 2023.**
 - 2. The Cabin at 1338 Second Street, Stevens Point for license period beginning July 1, 2023.**
 - 3. The Outfit at 804 Main Street, Stevens Point for license period beginning July 1, 2023.**

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Plaisance seconded, to approve items A through E.

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

- F. Temporary Extension of Licensed Premise: Partner's Pub & Grill, 2600 Stanley Street, Stevens Point, request for temporary extension of licensed premise for a special event, June 26 to July 4, 2023 to include the area in the front of the building consisting of two to five tables for additional seating to accommodate for USGA Senior Open.**

Ald. Plaisance moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to approve the extension of premise.

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

- G. Temporary Class "B" Beer License: Portage County Democratic Party, 2220 Division Street, Stevens Point for Portage County Democratic Party Picnic on August 27, 2023 at the Pfiffner Building at 401 Franklin Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.**

- H. Temporary Class "B" Beer/"Class B" Wine License:**
- 1. Holy Spirit Parish, 2151 Stanley Street, Stevens Point for SpiritFEST on July 23, 2023 at 2151 Stanley Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.**
 - 2. Pacelli Catholic Schools, 1301 Maria Drive, Stevens Point for Panacea on September 8 to September 10, 2023 at 1301 Maria Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54481.**

Ald. Lang moved, Ald. Kneebone seconded, to approve items G and H.

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

- I. Commercial Animal Establishment License Renewal:**
- 1. The Barking Lot, 3432 Minnesota Avenue, Stevens Point; Pamela Schneider at 1937 Plover Street, owner.**
 - 2. Country Paws Bed & Biscuit, 2107 Country Club Drive, Stevens Point; Laura Bronk, 2107 Country Club Drive, owner.**

Ald. Plaisance moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to approve the Animal Establishment License Renewals.

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

- J. Taxicab Company License:**
- 1. Courtesy Cab at 5622 County Road B, Stevens Point, Kathleen Sankey.**
 - 2. Northwoods Cab LLC at 2101 Nehring Street, Wausau, WI 54401, Aaron Schloemer.**

3. Spit Fire Transport at 100 Forest Street North, Stevens Point, Louis Patton.

K. Taxicab Driver License:

- 1. Mary Colella at 4101 Hoover Avenue #38, Plover, WI 54467 for Courtesy Cab.**
- 2. Janice Dyer at 420 Sherman Avenue, Stevens Point for Courtesy Cab.**
- 3. Bruce Fletcher at 5622 County Road B, Stevens Point for Courtesy Cab.**
- 4. Michelle Kluck at 5283 State Highway 66, Stevens Point for Courtesy Cab.**
- 5. Robert Komperda at 3080 Lexington Place, Plover, WI 54467 for Courtesy Cab.**
- 6. Louis Patton at 100 Forest Street North, Stevens Point for Spit Fire Transport.**
- 7. Dennis Provisor at 5675 Crescent View Drive, Stevens Point for Courtesy Cab.**
- 8. Kathleen Sankey at 5622 County Road B, Stevens Point for Courtesy Cab.**
- 9. Mark Zajackowski at 812 County Road NS, Milladore, WI 54454 for Courtesy Cab.**

Ald. Lang moved, Ald. Kneebone seconded, to approve items J and K.

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

3. Hearing on appeal of rejected operator license for Breeann Hartle.

Ald. Kneebone moved, Ald. Lang seconded, to deny the appeal.

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

4. Request to Hold Event/Street Closing:

- A. 39th Annual Riverfront Rendezvous on June 30, July 1, and July 2, 2023 (Recurring Event).**
- B. Democratic Party Picnic on August 27, 2023 (Recurring).**
- C. Dozynki Downtown on September 16, 2023 (Recurring Event).**
- D. Ki Mobility Company Picnic on August 17, 2024 (Recurring Event).**
- E. Request for Street Closure for the Fourth of July Parade on July 4, 2023 (Recurring Event).**
- F. Request for Street Closure for the 43rd United States Senior Open Championship on June 26 through July 2, 2023 (New Event).**

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Plaisance seconded, to approve the events and street closures.

No concerns from law enforcement.

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

5. Ordinance creating closed hours for Mathias Mitchell Public Square.

Ald. Kneebone moved, Ald. Lang seconded, to approve the closing of the square from 3:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m.

Polly Dalton, 1579 Church Street, spoke against the ordinance and urged the council to pursue different avenues for addressing these concerns.

Meleesa Johnson, 1703 Division Street, spoke about her time on the housing taskforce and the circumstances surrounding unsheltered people. She spoke against passing the ordinance.

Ald. Zarazua spoke about the existing ordinances that protect the square and spoke against the ordinance being adopted.

Ald. Birr spoke about the underserved population and spoke against passing the ordinance.

Ald. Morrow spoke about the resources available in Stevens Point for homeless individuals and the usefulness of the ordinance.

Ald. Christianson spoke about the pitfalls within implementation of the ordinance.

Danny Wenachowski, 1601 Main Street, shared his concerns regarding the ordinance.

Attorney Beveridge spoke about the loitering ordinance.

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

6. Adjournment.

Adjourned at 6:58 p.m.