

POLICE, FIRE AND LICENSE COMMITTEE

March 26, 2019

The regular meeting of the Police, Fire and License Committee was called to order by Acting Chairperson Kim Blumer at 6:30 p.m. in the Albany Village Hall, 206 North Water Street, Albany, WI. Members present were: Nathan Ramsay, Larry Nipple, Deanna Hubert, Dennis Atkinson and Danny Mueller, Ex-Officio. Absent: Tonya Stephan, Ron Krupke and Robert Ritter, Ex-Officio. Also present: Kim Blumer, David Reints, Dave Gavin, Joyce Chrisbaum and Colleen Brewer.

Proof of posting was verified.

MINUTES: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Nipple, to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: None.

FIRE CHIEF CONCERNS: Chief Mueller reported there was a new law put into effect on October 2018, which will make it extremely difficult to promote new officers. The law requires officers to have hundreds of hours to qualify for an officer's position. It was discussed that all Fire Chiefs should get together and draft a letter to our elected officials to inform them how difficult it is for volunteer fire departments to operate.

POLICE CHIEF CONCERNS: Officer Reints reported that Chief Ritter received a very complimentary letter from the Green County Sheriff's Department on Officer Jamy Dennis.

STREET CLOSING FOR EARTH DAY – APRIL 20, 2019: Dave Gavin with Albany Community 1st asked to have North Water Street from Milwaukee Street to the north end of Water Street closed from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. on April 20, 2019 for Earth Day. Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Nipple, to close the street as requested. Carried.

YESTERYEAR'S WEEKEND: Chrisbaum and Brewer asked to have North Water Street closed from Highway 59 to Oak Street on Friday, May 24, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Hubert, to close the street as requested. Carried.

Chrisbaum and Brewer would also like to have North Water Street from Highway 59 to Oak Street closed on May 25, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Motion by Atkinson, seconded by Hubert, to close the street as requested. Carried. Motion by Nipple, seconded by Hubert, to allow beer only on North Water Street on May 25, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Carried.

OPERATOR'S LICENSES: Motion by Ramsay, seconded by Hubert, to approve Gary Brewer, Colleen Brewer, Adrienne Goebel, Petra MacLeod, and Rebecca Peach, contingent on taking the responsible servers course; and to approve Korina Donahue, Jennifer Kenney, Bethany Flanagan, Precious Oller and Tracy Boss; all license application approvals contingent on everyone passing background checks. Carried.

TRAINING: Police will be receiving a free storm spotter's class in May.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND FUTURE ITEMS: The committee needs to check with Chief Ritter regarding the door hangers that were discussed at a previous meeting.

There is garbage on the bike trail behind the Mini Mart; is it possible to find a volunteer group to clean this up; a question on who is responsible for this area was brought up as well.

Fire Chief Mueller wanted to commend the village employees from their help with sand bagging on South Water Street; the committee also extended a big thank you to the Fire Department for their response and effort during that time as well.

ADJOURN: Motion by Hubert, seconded by Ramsay, to adjourn. Carried.

KIM BLUMER, Acting Chairperson
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