

Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 5, 2022 6:00 p.m.
City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street, Evansville, WI

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Alderperson Lewis at 6:02pm.
2. **Roll Call:**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present/Absent</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Alderperson Erica Stuart, Chair	A	Patrick Reese, Police Chief
Alderperson Gene Lewis	P	Kerri Elliot, Evansville EMT
Alderperson Susan Becker	P	Morgan Katzenmeyer, Evansville EMT
		Bill Lathrop, Evansville Today
		Ben Corridon, Alderperson
		Lt. Chris Jones, EVPD
		Leah Hurtley, Interim City Clerk
		Patricia Fleming, resident
		John Peterson, resident
		Nancy Peterson, resident

3. **Motion to approve the Agenda, by Lewis seconded by Becker. Motion passes 2-0.**
4. **Motion to approve the September 7, 2022 Public Safety regular meeting minutes, by Lewis seconded by Becker. Motion passes 2-0.**
5. Citizen appearances other than agenda items listed. None
6. Old Business.
7. New Business.
 - A. **Motion to approve the Operator’s License Application(s) for applicants, by Becker seconded by Lewis. Motion passes 2-0.**
 - 1) Connor Baumberger
 - 2) Jennifer Rae Johnson
8. **Evansville Police Department Report.** Chief Reese read his written monthly report covering the training for officers, community outreach, updates in the department, staffing matters, and accreditation.

Discussion: Ben Corridon inquired on updates pertaining to the recent noise disturbance and status on a potential noise ordinance that was raised at city council meeting. Chief Reese responded that he discussed the situation with both Mayor Duggan & City Administrator Sergeant. The consensus is that the current code is adequate.

Corridon asked about time limit constraints for a disturbing the peace rather than using noise violation. Chief Reese responded that Disorderly Conduct would be more appropriate. At the incident referenced at City Council meeting, negotiation continued behind the scenes for hours as residents planned to ring church bells over a weekend period. Chief Reese offered the opinion that if citation(s) are issued, it might ignite more activity.

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Lewis – would like to see it shut down within 5 minutes. Chief responded that is was a difficult situation, with many passionate viewpoints. He used the example of neighbors registering complaints over dogs or music playing too loud. . Lewis noted that Evansville Ford plays music at night. Chief will reach out to the business owner.

Becker asked for an update on Bill Lathrop’s question in regards to the family living in a vehicle in the municipal parking lot. Chief Reese explained Administrator Sergeant found an ordinance that supports resident’s rights on private property; however, the ordinance does not allow this to occur in the business district for more than 2 hours.

9. Evansville Emergency Medical Services Report.

Morgan Katzenmeyer, EMT read the written monthly report covering the training, community outreach, updates in the department and staffing matters in the absence of Interim Chief Kleisch. Administrator Sergeant has been working on getting garage door for ambulance bay and a work permit has been issued. Katzenmeyer reported receiving generous donations from the Community Salute for our Heroes held on Saturday, September 24th by The Night Owl, R.M. Berg and Evansville Ford. A busy month for traffic crashes was also reported.

10. Meeting Reminder: Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2022 6:00 p.m.

11. Motion to adjourn at 6:30pm, by Lewis seconded by Becker. Motion passes 2-0.

Leah Hurlley, Deputy Clerk