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Office of the City Administrator

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

5:00 PM

Lower Conference Room

Minutes

1) Call to Order, Roll Call

Present:

Chair Mark Gierl
Alderman Glenn Bushee
Alderman Kathleen Schneider

Also Present: Assistant City Administrator Schoenemann, City Attorney Sajdak, Inspections Supervisor Hadley, Deputy Fire Chief Zellmann, and Executive Assistant Enea.

2) Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. March Meeting Minutes

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Alderman Bushee

SECONDED BY: Alderman Gierl

AYES: Gierl, Bushee

NOT PRESENT: Schneider

3) Ordinances

Action requested: review and recommend approval

a. **ORDINANCE 2022-1618** An Ordinance Creating Section 10-26 of the Mequon Municipal Code, Related to Residential Swimming Pools

City Attorney Sajdak presented the modified version of the ordinance based on the comments received from the Common Council Meeting. Some definitions were added in regards to the power safety cover, such as the static load being 485 lbs - enough to hold 2 firemen and their supplies. Also, the operating switch needed to be locked and located 5 feet above ground. In addition, a permit would be required. The age of a chaperone would be 14 years of age, the age one can be a lifeguard. Alderman Bushee shared how 14 states and 19 localities in additional states have adapted new laws to allow pool covers instead of fences. Alderwoman Schneider inquired about existing pool owners needing to know that a second safety feature

is now required for pools. The new ordinance will only apply to new pools, but the Committee agreed that would be beneficial to share in the Weekly Bulletin.

RESULT: **Approved as Amended by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Alderman Bushee

SECONDED BY: Alderman Gierl

AYES: Gierl, Bushee, Schneider

b. **ORDINANCE 2022-1619** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 30, Article V of the Mequon Municipal Code Related to Outdoor Burning

Deputy Fire Chief Zellmann presented the changes that were made to the Ordinance. What a structure was, i.e. deck, was included. Also, 4a was added to discuss manufacturer guidelines and what to do in the absence of guidelines. Alderman Bushee inquired if the nuisance language could be eliminated. Deputy Chief Zellmann explained when the nuisance delegation comes into play and City Attorney Sajdak shared how using that language gives the Ordinance more teeth when it comes to enforcement. If something amounts to a private nuisance, then the City would not get involved.

RESULT: **Approved by Voice Acclamation [Unanimous]**

MOVED BY: Alderman Bushee

SECONDED BY: Alderman Schneider

AYES: Gierl, Bushee, Schneider

4) Work Calendar

a. Work Calendar

5) Adjourn

Alderman Bushee moved to adjourn at 5:29 P.M. and Alderwoman Schneider seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Enea