

**Public Property and Health Committee
City Council Chambers
July 2, 2019**

Call to order at 7:04 p.m.

Roll call by sign-in.

Citizen Comments: None

Public Works Report:

Discussion and Action on Overhead Door for City Garage: Martin advised the Committee that a door needs to be replaced and he had solicited bids. Motion by Mayor Slate/Ald. Triemstra to replace the door using the bid from Total Overhead Door at a cost of \$1,787. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Discussion and Action on Soldiers and Sailor's Park Beach Preservation: The Mayor advised the Committee that Boy Scout Benjamin Krogulski is taking on the project of the beach preservation plan as an Eagle Scout project. He has a project adviser and will bring his plan to the Council. As part of this process, the Council will need to determine future beach needs such as if the beach configuration should be widened, changed, etc. No further action at this time. This item should remain on the agenda.

Discussion and Action on Pool Ordinance: Motion by Ald. Triemstra/Ald. Kazda to send the Pool Ordinance to Council. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on Agreement with Lion's Club Regarding Soldier's and Sailor's Park: No action.

New Business

Discussion on Unleashed Dogs in the Community: No action. This was discussed during the Finance, Personnel and Safety Committee meeting.

Discussion and Action on Dangerous Weapon/Hunting Ordinance: The Committee discussed some options including a program to reduce the hunting restriction from 100 yards to 25 yards, creating zones on city property where people can hunt and a lottery type system to select hunters. The plan will include community communication on why this action is being taken. Motion by Mayor Slate/Ald. Kazda that Martin identify properties in the city where hunting might be allowed. Motion carried.

Discussion and Action on Property Maintenance Codes and Enforcement: The committee requests this item be on the Council agenda. Before the meeting, the Mayor will follow up with the Building Inspector to get additional details.

Discussion and Action on Weed Control in City Limits (Use of Roundup): There was a citizen concern that the City used Roundup products. Martin advised that the city does not use Roundup. Citizen Dave Brinkman, who attended the meeting, knew the identify of the citizen who asked the question, so he was encouraged to follow up with that citizen.

Discussion and Action on update on Raze Order for 650 North Margaret Street: Mayor Slate excused himself from the discussion. Connie Wilsnack (one of the property owners) attended the meeting. One

of the buildings had been taken down but a pile of debris remained. Ms. Wilsnack was advised that the raze order stated that any debris be cleaned up. Ms. Wilsnack asked the Committee to grant an extension to the end of August or at least August 18 to allow her additional time to have the buildings razed. She said the police investigations about some thefts of wood, metal siding, etc. in late July affected her timing. She also said that she had someone coming on Saturday regarding the second building. She also questioned if the raze order should have been published. She felt it should have been based on some research she had done. The City Attorney had advised that he would be available by phone if questions came up, so Ald. Henke called City Attorney Dan Sondalle by phone and via speaker raised the question of publishing the raze order. He said that publishing is only needed if there is a mortgage on the property. In this case, the title company advised there is no mortgage, so it does not need to be published. Ald. Henke asked if that question was now resolved and Ms. Wilsnack was not sure. She said she needed to investigate it further. The Committee asked about the plans to remove the remaining debris from the first razed building. Ms. Wilsnack said that the person she was working with was only taking the wood they wanted and that dealing with the remaining debris (from the second building as well) was up to her. The options were to burn the debris or get a dumpster. She had not investigated either option. Martin advised Ms. Wilsnack that a permit would be required for burning. The City Attorney asked if Ms. Wilsnack had a contract or agreement about the removal of the wood and debris. She said she did not. She was asked if she was sure the person was coming on Saturday to deal with the second building. She said she was pretty sure the person was coming. Ald. Henke reminded Ms. Wilsnack that she had agreed to the timeline and had the opportunity to attend the June and July meetings to ask for an extension. The City Attorney advised the Committee that they cannot take any action to extend the date as this is now a legal process and any action must be taken by the Council. He also advised that the Committee can send a recommendation to the Council if they feel an extension should be granted. The Committee asks that this item be placed on the Council agenda. Ald. Henke advised Ms. Wilsnack that if she wants to pursue an extension, she should come to the Council meeting with a clear plan of her actions to handle these two collapsed buildings including a timeline and proof of contact with people who can assist her with burning the debris or ordering a dumpster. She was reminded that the legal process was already in place, since the agreed-to deadline had passed, and the City's vendor may work on the razing before the Council meeting.

Adjournment: Motion by Mayor Slate/Ald. Triemstra to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.