

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Building Inspection Ad-Hoc Committee
Held On Monday, February 26, 2018 Pursuant to Notice Duly Given**

1. Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairperson Schreiber
2. Roll Call: Mayor Heier, Joe Last, Al Schreiber, Mike Rehberg, Jeremy Wusterbarth (arrived at 9:13 a.m.), John Reed, Ron Daul , Kim Bronikowski (arrived at 8:31 a.m.), Sara Perrizo (also as recording secretary)
Also present: Alderperson Le Breck and other interested parties
3. Approval of Agenda
Moved by Heier, seconded by Daul to approve the agenda as presented. **M/C**
4. Approval of Minutes from 01/30/18 Meeting
Moved by Daul, seconded by Reed to approve the minutes as typed.
Motion carried upon verbal voice vote. **8 ayes**
5. Correspondence/Public Appearances
Last distributed information on an ordinance regarding “camping units” that the State requires the city to adopt because there is a campground located here. These type of units are required to follow all building codes and ordinances.
6. Discussion/Possible Recommendation on:
 - a. Live Music/Noise Ordinance
Heier explained that the city currently has an ordinance restricting excessive noise outside to before 10 p.m. Some events have been allowed to have live music outside later than 10 p.m., but we have gotten complaints. Heier feels that we should enforce the 10 p.m. rule across-the-board, including the truck pulls and Copperfest. He has spoken with several local bar owners and the organizers of Copperfest on this. It is a “common sense” thing and we need to be fair and consistent.

Vince Crivello, 818 Main Street, is not in favor of this. There are only a few events each year that would play live music outside past the 10 p.m. time limit. Schreiber responded that residents pay taxes 365 days per year and they should be able to enjoy their property for all of those days. Also, Schreiber feels that the later the time gets, the louder the music gets.

Le Breck stated that Copperfest began as a music festival downtown and it was meant to be about the music. We work so hard as a city to develop tourism and bring people here and this would chase them away again. The truck pulls last until 12-1 a.m. and the city was already blamed once for losing them. Bronikowski noted that we are not talking about changing the ordinance and she sees no reason that bands can’t be shut down outside by 10 p.m. Reed spoke with the organizer of the truck pulls and found that, if enforced, this ordinance would likely shut them down. Schreiber commented that we are trying to look for a compromise that works for everyone, but we can’t just say we are going to throw out the rules for one day. Bronikowski feels that the enforcement needs to be uniform for everyone. Daul suggested amending the ordinance to require events that wish to exceed the 10 p.m. limit to get City Council approval. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of extending the time limit to 11 p.m. or requiring Council approval to exceed 10 p.m.

Moved by Daul, seconded by Perrizo to include a decibel level of 70 in the noise ordinance and to require anyone who wishes to exceed the 10 p.m. limit to get approval from the City Council.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

9 ayes

b. Sign Ordinance Review

Heier informed that a business on Main Street wants to put up a sign that protrudes from the building. Last explained that the ordinance limits the sign size to six square feet per side. The proposed sign is larger than that. The size limit was put into the ordinance for the purposes of wind shear and installation. Last will work with the business owners on this.

c. 201 Chicago Street

Last explained that this property is existing non-conforming in relation to set backs. The owner would like to add a porch similar to one that used to be attached to the building. This would reduce the setbacks even further.

Charles Kerr, 201 Chicago Street, handed out drawings of what is proposed. The front setback would go up to the existing sidewalk. The property would remain residential.

Last stated that this agenda item was only for informational purposes.

7. Adjourn @ 9:20 a.m.

Moved by Daul, seconded by Reed to adjourn.

Motion carried upon verbal voice vote.

9 ayes

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sara J. Perrizo, CPA

Administrator