

CITY OF WEYAUWEGA  
PUBLIC HEALTH AND RELIEF (ORDINANCE) COMMITTEE MEETING PROCEEDINGS  
MARCH 10, 2020

The Public Health and Relief (Ordinance) Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Shani Appleby at the City Hall Council Chambers at 6:05 p.m., roll call was taken. Members Present: Shani Appleby, Jered Wilson and Keith Najdowski. Also Present: Mayor Jack Spierings, City Administrator Jeremy Schroeder, Clerk Rebecca Loehrke and Sergeant Brandon Leschke.

*Motion Appleby, second Najdowski, to approve the minutes from January 14, 2020. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Citizen Appearances:** None

**Discussion and possible action on establishing an ordinance to allow chickens:** The committee reviewed the ordinance and applications that the City of Waupaca has. Appleby, Schroeder and Leschke had reviewed the ordinance prior to the meeting and made some corrections to it that would fit our community better. Appleby noted that Waupaca has not had any issues since implementing the ordinance. The committee discussed if neighbor approval was necessary. Appleby would like to see it left in for now. It will be reviewed next year. *Motion Appleby, second Wilson to approve the Keeping of Chickens Ordinance as presented. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Discussion and possible action on minimum square footage of living space for R-1, R-2 and R-3 Zoning Districts:** This was brought up in a previous meeting and suggested by the building inspector to remove from the zoning code because of the trend of smaller living spaces. *Motion Najdowski, second Appleby, to approve the removal of minimum square footage of living space for R-1, R-2 and R-3 Zoning Districts. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Discussion and possible action on additions to Ordinance §370-15 Harassment; harassing or obscene telephone calls and §370-29 Smoking:** Schroeder and Leschke both explained the need to add all forms of electronic communication devices and social media platforms to the harassment policy. With the change in technology it is no longer just telephone calls. *Motion Appleby, second Najdowski, to approve the addition to Ordinance §370-15 Harassment: harassing or obscene telephone calls as submitted. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

Leschke spoke that the changes to Ordinance §370-29 Smoking is needed to include all of the new forms of smokeless tobacco products to be able to better enforce especially on school property. *Motion Appleby, second Najdowski, to approve the addition to Ordinance §370-29 Smoking as submitted. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Discussion on the creation of ordinance prohibiting Sexting:** An example of a Sexting ordinance that the City of New London has was reviewed by the committee. Leschke spoke on the need to have this ordinance as another tool in enforcement with today's technology world. *Motion Appleby, second Najdowski, to approve the creation of an ordinance prohibiting Sexting. Motion carried with all "ayes".*

**Administrator's Report:** Nothing more to report.

**Set next meeting date and time:** The committee will next meet on Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm.

**Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law:** None

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**Recommendations to the Council:**

1. Recommend to approve the Keeping of Chickens Ordinance as established.
2. Recommend to approve the removal of minimum square footage of living space for R-1, R-2 and R-3 Zoning Districts.
3. Recommend to approve the addition to Ordinance §370-15 Harassment: harassing or obscene telephone calls as submitted.
4. Recommend to approve the addition to Ordinance §370-29 Smoking as submitted.
5. Recommend to approve the creation of an ordinance prohibiting Sexting.

*Motion Appleby, second Najdowski, to adjourn at 6:32 pm. Motion carried with all "Ayes".*

Rebecca Loehrke  
City Clerk