



# City of Madison

## Meeting Minutes - Approved

### PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW BOARD

City of Madison  
Madison, WI 53703  
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Monday, November 19, 2007

5:00 PM

210 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd.  
Room GR-28 (City-County Building)

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#### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Present:** 5 -

Eli Judge; Michael S. Scott; Terry E. Moen; Adam G. Lichtenheld and Amy R. Smith

**Absent:** 3 -

Paul E. Skidmore; Larry Pasha and Tyrone W. Bell

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Judge, seconded by Lichtenheld, to Approve the Minutes.  
The motion passed by voice vote/other.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 05831** Report of Police Chief dated February 27, 2007 re: Sensitive Crimes Interview Procedures.

**Attachments:** [05831CoverLetter.pdf](#)  
[05831Report.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Judge, seconded by Lichtenheld, to Refer to the PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW BOARD, due back on 12/11/2007. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
- 04272** SECOND SUBSTITUTE - Creating Section 12.792 entitled "Neighborhood Electric Vehicles Allowed" to permit and regulate the operation of such vehicles on Madison streets and amending Section 1.08(3)(a) to establish a bail deposit amount for violations of the section.

**Attachments:** [NEV staff memo\\_ID04272.pdf](#)  
[04272-Original.pdf](#)  
[04272- Substitute.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Judge, seconded by Lichtenheld, to Refer to the PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW BOARD, due back on 12/11/2007. The motion passed by voice vote/other.
- 07459** Creating Section 26.13 of the Madison General Ordinances that prohibits individuals convicted of serious child sex offenses from loitering in child safety zones and contacting children in these zones, establishes a bail deposit for a violation.

A motion was made by Judge, seconded by Scott, to **RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER**. The motion passed by the following vote:  
**DISCUSSION:** Smith did not partake in discussion nor vote due to a possible conflict of interest. Ald Brandon gave the background on reason for ordinance - to fill gaps in the state law; modeled after existing law in New Zealand, San Diego, Minneapolis etc. The state law only deals with this after a crime has occurred - this ordinance would be proactive to stop a crime (action) before it can occur. It would expedite police officers actions by allowing immediate enforcement rather than having to wait for response from call to state (system could be down, P&P officer may be unreachable, etc.) A/C Davenport stated police felt this would be a useful tool. The conditions under which it would be used are descriptive and definite so that it would not impeded the ordinary travels/activities of a sex offender. The Municipal Judge has signed off on the bail amounts. This ordinance talks about behavior and is coupled with other criteria to be used as a preventive measure of that behavior. Fourteen alders are co-sponsors and also has mayoral support. It was drafted by the City Attorney and they are comfortable with its enforcement based on other similar ordinances elsewhere.

**Absent:** 3 -

Paul E. Skidmore; Larry Pasha and Tyrone W. Bell

**Ayes:** 3 -

Eli Judge; Michael S. Scott and Adam G. Lichtenheld

**Abstentions:** 2 -

Terry E. Moen and Amy R. Smith

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 4. [07590](#) Creating new Section 34.04(8) to set licensing fees for burn permits; renumbering current Sections 34.04(8) through (11) to Sections 34.04(9) through (12), respectively; amending Sections 34.28(2)(c) and 34.32(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to increase license fees.

**A motion was made by Judge, seconded by Scott, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER**. The motion passed by voice vote/other.  
**DISCUSSION:** Fire Department staff (Ed Ruckriegel) explained that when the ordinance was updated and approved earlier, a few items were inadvertently overlooked and this adds those updates to the ordinance (fees for retail sales of fireworks, annual fees for recharging fire extinguishers and fees for fire permits).

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

5. [08202](#) Report of Madison Fire Department

Two recent fire of major proportion are still under investigation as to cause. The newly formed Fire/Police investigative team is working together on this: Fire on the cause and origin and Police is there was any criminal activity involved (fatalities and/or suspicious nature). The fire investigators do not report to the Fire Department Fire Marshall but to a specific fire chief who in turn reports to Chief Amesqua.

Smoke detectors - would like to see electrically powered detectors mandated in rental properties since batteries can get stolen, worn out or just be missing. Another option would be lithium tamper-proof batteries which have a lifespan of about 10 years. In time, Fire Department will probably bring some type of ordinance forwarded especially for multi-family dwellings. Old alarms are no longer good and need to be retro-fitted. Within the year, about 92% of U.S. homes will have smoke alarms but about 45% are not working! Leading cause of these fires is careless use of smoking materials.

Emergency Operations Plan for City - this is 8 chapters with about 4 appendicies. Early next year (February or March) the plan will go to the Common Council and will then be referred to the PSRB, or perhaps get it before for our input. It is an all hazards approach. State Statute requires this plan and the city's current one is from the early 1990's. Much of the city plan is actually the county's plan.

Extra Weekend Ambulance - this was a 2-year pilot plan funded by the Common Council (Thursday-Saturday) for the football season - an extra ambulance assigned to Station #4. It is a "reserve" vehicle.

6. [08203](#) Police Data/Statistics Information

Moen stated that the PSRB needs to determine where they want to go with this? what is it they want on a regular basis? Police hope to have mapping by the first part of next year or at least be close to it + two crime analysts are in the 2008 budget. The mapping aspects are being designed to hopefully give the public access. Scott advised that the County controls the ALL Calls for Service statistics and this produces a huge stack of paper, second is the information from Records Management - all things that are reported with a case number and third those things which are reported to the FBI (Part 1 and 2 crimes) - these latter two are controlled by the Police Department. Committee wondered if the Power Point presentation given by Lt. Balles sometime ago would be available and also a listing of the ongoing projects being done by Nicole DeMotto (brief PSRB periodically on the major initiatives. These could help the PSRB to narrow down what information is wanted and also allow for input on the decision of what will be available to the public.

7. [08204](#) Standing Committee Report: 911 Center Committee

Ald. Skidmore was not present so no report was given.

8. [08205](#) Standing Committee Report: Dane County Commission on Sensitive Crimes  
  
Pasha was not at meeting so no report was given.
9. [08206](#) Jurisdictional Issues Regarding City Hotels/Motels  
  
Due to a miscommunication, the actual proposed ordinance related to this item (Prohibit the operation of transient hotels and motels) was not on the agenda and Dr. Schlenker, Director of City/County Health Department, therefore thought his presence was not needed. This will be on the December agenda and he will be invited to attend that meeting.
10. [08207](#) City Planning/Environmental Design  
  
Scott reported that he had a presentation on this subject in Savannah, GA. It does not appear that the City has ordinances on the books for fire and public safety filters in the planning stages. It doesn't really happen but could it with proper change in procedures? Board would like to see an actual city position created in the budget for this oversight.
11. [08208](#) 911 Center "Dropped Calls"  
  
Joe Norwich is the new Director of the 911 Center. Police are meeting with their staff to deal with various issues of concern. Police want to reduce to zero (or as close to zero as possible) the "dropped calls." There is also an issue of training and turnover with 911 staff. There are also several vacancies in their staffing. Police feel at a minimum these calls need to be documented - not just have the dispatcher tell the person to call back in an hour or two. The City has representation on the 911 Communications Board as well as an Alder and about 60% of 911 Center business is for the Madison Police Department.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Judge, seconded by Scott, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.