

Public Safety Committee- May 10, 2017

The Public Safety Committee met on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Present: Dave Pedersen, Greg Bladt, Jay Christensen

Absent: None

Also Present: Mike Kolbe, Gene Gettys, Jane Smith, Todd Argotsinger; City Attorney, Police Chief Frank Clark, Fire Chief Roger Bissen

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Christensen and seconded by Bladt to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

No conflicts of interest were stated.

Discussion was held on the fireworks bill signed into law 05/09/17, which allows for the sale of consumer fireworks in Iowa. The Ordinance for the City of Harlan presently prohibits the sale and display of fireworks and may need to be amended. The State Fire Marshall will be adopting rules to require that any retailer or community group offering for sale at retail any consumer fireworks, shall do so in accordance with national fire protection association standard 1124. Once required applications have been processed and inspections have been conducted and approved, a license will be issued by the State Fire Marshall.

Business zoning areas in which fireworks could be sold was discussed.

Suggested dates and times to allow the display of fireworks in the City of Harlan are as follows:

- July 1st through July 8th, from noon to 10:00 p.m., except for July 4th which would be from noon to 11:00 p.m.
- December 29th through January 1st, from noon to 10:00 p.m., except for December 31st (New Year's Eve), which would be from noon to 12:30 p.m.

With all business completed, the meeting was adjourned.

"These minutes are as recorded by the City Clerk and are subject to Council approval at the next regular meeting."