



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 - 4:15 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of the City of Clarksville Public Safety Committee was called to order by Chairman Travis Hollman , Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 4:15pm.

ATTENDANCE:

It was noted by Chairman Hollman that there was a quorum.

Chairman Travis Hollman, Councilperson Ashlee Evans, Councilperson Karen Reynolds,

Others Participating: Building & Codes Director David Smith, Fire & Rescue Chief Freddie Montgomery, Chief of Police David Crockarell, Sergeant Bert Clinard, Councilperson Brian Zacharius, Lance Baker (City Attorney) Councilperson Stacey Streetman, Stephanie Fox (Internal Auditor) Administrative Supervisor Gina Johnson

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

The committee unanimously approved the minutes from the August 26, 2021 Public Safety Committee Meeting. This was after Chairman Hollman made a motion to approve. It was approved by Councilperson Evans and was properly seconded by Councilperson Reynolds.

BUILDING & CODES DEPARTMENT:

- David Smith spoke on behalf of Building and Codes.
 - He reviewed the previously submitted monthly report.
 - He noted the difference in single family permits is about to exceed last year.
 - He noted in the next fiscal year they may add additional employees.
 - Mr. Smith opened the floor for questions. No questions were asked.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- Chief David Crockarell spoke on behalf of the Police Department.
 - He reviewed the previously submitted monthly report.
 - 1 new additional officer was hired. This officer should be ready in about six to eight weeks.
 - He noted there are several in the Police Academy but are still 15 officers short.
 - He noted they have two dispatch vacancies from retirement and the other took another job.
 - Chief Crockarell opened the floor for questions.
 - Councilperson Reynolds questioned how an employee was paid due to covid if they have no sick leave. Chief Crockarell explained the Federal Covid pay was no longer in place but no one in his department would go without a paycheck.
 - There were no further questions.

FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT:

- Chief Freddie Montgomery spoke on behalf of the Fire & Rescue Department.
 - He reviewed the previously submitted monthly report.
 - He noted they are in the hiring processes for five new firefighters to be hired in November.
 - He noted the new fire truck was in service. To keep the existing vehicles running has been a challenge due to covid delaying part deliveries.
 - He noted there is a new map with the monthly reports.
 - Chief Montgomery opened the floor for questions.
 - No questions were asked.

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED:

NONE

CITY COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED:

- 1. Ordinance section 4-203: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL CODE OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, TITLE 4 (BUILDING, UTILITY, AND HOUSING CODES) RELATIVE TO NON-SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING.** (David Smith-see attachment)

- David Smith noted the ordinance has been drafted to address the missing fee schedule in City Code, which was omitted in error in 2008 during a code update. Note, the fee structure is not increasing, it is simply codifying existing practice.
- Motion to approve: Councilperson Karen Reynolds
- Seconded by: Councilperson Aslee Evans
- The motion was unanimously passed on the first reading.

- 2. Ordinance section 28-2021-22 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE, TITLE 2 (ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES) BY ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 5 PERTAINING TO HOURS FOR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, BEER, AND WINE IN THE ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT "PREMISES" AS PROVIDED FOR AND DESCRIBED IN TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED (T.C.A.) § 57-4-102(28)(D)**

- Councilperson Stacey Streetman brought an updated language Ordinance section 28-2021-22 with a map to the committee.
- Motion to Amend by Ashlee Evans.
- Seconded by: Karen Reynolds
- Councilperson Streetman briefly went over the Ordinance and the map she gave to the committee.
- Councilperson Ashlee Evans questioned, why is the time 12am and not 3am when normal business close at 3am.
- Councilperson Streetman stated the business owners didn't want it to go all night.
- City Attorney Lance Baker noted this only deals with hours of consumption inside the entertainment distinct premises. It does not affect the consumption or sale inside the business or privately owned property within the entertainment district.
- Councilperson Reynolds questioned the areas on the map in color.
- Councilperson Streetman explained the color codes for the boundaries.
- Councilperson Reynolds question about the (T.C.A) 57-4-102(28)(D)
- City Attorney Lance Baker explained D is new. It is not in the Tennessee code. It can be found online through the Wes Legal Service or Lexis Nexis.
- Councilperson Reynolds questioned what was the charge if a citizen was drinking outside and confused on the date.
- City Attorney Lance Baker explained they can't be charged unless they are publicly intoxicated.

- Councilperson Street noted the business owner would be in violation of permit if they let them walk out with a drink. This ordinance will allow the consumer to purchase a drink from the business and walk out the door in the perimeter area.
- Chief Crockarell noted on a state level it created a new primis out outside the business. The map is highlighted to show the area.
- Councilperson Reynold questioned if signs will be put up in the area.
- Councilperson Streetman noted it would be discussed and considered.
- Motion to accept the amendment: Councilperson Evans
- Seconded by: Councilperson Reynolds
- The motion was unanimously passed.
- Motion for approval of the amended ordinance: Councilperson Aslee Evans
- Seconded by: Councilperson Karen Reynolds
- The motion was unanimously passed on the first reading.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilperson Evans, seconded by Councilperson Reynolds, and approved by all at 4:38 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Gina Johnson
Fire & Rescue Department

ADOPTED: November 17, 2021