

CITY OF VERONA
PUBLIC SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 8, 2023

1. Call to order: Evan Touchett called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Evan Touchett and Rye Kimmett were present. Phil Hoechst was absent and excused. Also present Sergeant Matt Lovell, Chief Dave Dresser and City Clerk Holly Licht.
3. Public Comments: None
4. Approval of Minutes from the April 24, 2023 Public Safety and Welfare Committee meeting

Motion by Touchett, seconded by Kimmett to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2023 Public Safety and Welfare Committee meeting. Motion carried 2-0.

5. Discussion and Possible Action Re: A Special Event Permit application and Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage and "Class B" Wine license from Le Jordan, Verona Area Chamber of Commerce, for Hometown Days on Friday, June 2-Sunday, June 4

Hometown Days will again be located at Festival Park located behind City Hall. The general layout of the festival is generally consistent with previous years. Fireworks will be held on Friday night. Other weekend activities include pony rides, a petting zoo, live music, food stands, carnival rides, the Hometown Rumble car show, and the Hometown Days parade.

The Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License allows the Verona Area Chamber of Commerce to sell beer and wine at the Hometown Days event. The beer tent will be open Friday through Sunday. The applicant is proposing that the fencing be extended to include the burger stand and the prize station to allow drinking in these areas. Children 17 and under will be allowed in the beer tent with a parent until 7:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday nights, and until 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. A safe ride program will be provided. A licensed bartender will be on site during all beer tent hours. Staff recommends approval contingent upon receipt of a certificate of insurance.

Touchett requested that we evaluate how things go this year before we allow it to happen again next year.

Motion by Touchett, seconded by Kimmett to approve a Special Event Permit application and Temporary Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage and "Class B" Wine license from Le Jordan, Verona Area Chamber of Commerce, for Hometown Days on Friday, June 2-Sunday, June 4. Motion carried 2-0.

6. Discussion and Possible Action Re: A Special Event Permit application from Margaret Clark, St. Christopher's Catholic Church, for a Eucharistic Procession on Sunday, June 11

St. Christopher's is estimating that 150 people will attend the event. They will follow the Father along the route, who will be under a white 12'x12' canopy. There will be no parking signs posted on E Harriet between N Jefferson and the church driveway.

Motion by Touchett, seconded by Kimmett to approve a Special Event Permit application from Margaret Clark, St. Christopher's Catholic Church, for a Eucharistic Procession on Sunday, June 11. Motion carried 2-0.

7. Discussion and Possible Action Re: A Special Event Permit application from Annemarie Miller, The Sows Ear, for Knit in Public Day on Saturday, June 10

The Sows Ear is hosting an event for Knit in Public Day. The Applicant is requesting use of the public parking lot located behind the Sows Ear. No parking signs will be placed in the lot 48 hours before the event. This space will be used like a patio. There will be no alcohol served, and food will be sold only from Sows Ear.

Motion by Touchett, seconded by Kimmett to approve a Special Event Permit application from Annemarie Miller, The Sows Ear, for Knit in Public Day on Saturday, June 10. Motion carried 2-0.

8. Adjournment: Motion by Kimmett, seconded by Touchett to adjourn at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Licht, City Clerk