

CITY OF MENASHA
Parking Committee
Third Floor Council Chambers, City Hall - 140 Main Street, Menasha
August 25, 2010

DRAFT MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by PWD Radtke at 10:35 AM

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PRESENT: PWD Radtke; CDD Keil; PC Stanke; CA Captain; Ald. Wisneski

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Don Merkes; Carol Schmidt, Public Works and Engineering Department

C. MINUTES TO APPROVE-MINUTES & COMMUNICATIONS TO RECEIVE

1. Motion by PC Stanke, seconded by Ald. Wisneski to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **Request to Prohibit Parking on the East Side of Milwaukee Street from Seventh Street to 150' South (Ald. Taylor)**

PC Stanke stated the neighbors had complained that kids were hanging out around their parked cars smoking and leaving garbage. The temporary no parking signs that PC Stanke had placed there have helped.

Motion made by PC Stanke and seconded by PWD Radtke to recommend to the Common Council that a sign indicating "No Parking 7:30 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Friday" be placed on the east Side of Milwaukee Street prohibiting parking on the east Side of Milwaukee Street from Seventh Street to 150' south.

Motion carried.

2. **Request to Prohibit Parking on the North Side of Seventh Street from Appleton Road to 235' West (Ald. Taylor)**

Motion made by Ald. Wisneski and seconded by PC Stanke to recommend a 90-day trial period to prohibit parking on the north side of Seventh Street from Appleton Road to 235' west to the Board of Public Works.

Motion carried.

3. **Request to Investigate Semi Trucks Blocking Entrances to Menasha Employees Credit Union During Business Hours (Ald. Taylor)**

PC Stanke stated he spoke with Alliance Industries in regard to the semi trucks using the street in front of the credit union as a staging area and asked them not to block business

driveways on Appleton Street. PC Stanke spoke with credit union manager, Mark Jesse today. He indicated it has been better recently. PC Stanke stated the officers will continue to monitor the situation.

Motion made by PC Stanke and seconded by CA Captain to table this item.

4. Request to Increase the Fine/Fee for Illegally Parking in a Handicap Stall to \$200+ (Ald. Wisneski and Ald. Langdon)

PC Stanke stated the current fee for illegally parking in a handicap stall is \$25.

Much discussion ensued regarding what other communities charge and state statute.

Motion made by Ald. Wisneski and seconded by CDD Keil to increase the fine/fee for illegally parking in a disabled stall to \$200.

Motion carried.

5. Consideration of Revising Parking Restrictions for City Owned Parking Lots and Parking Ramp (Mayor Merkes)

Mayor Merkes stated that downtown residents, patrons and business owners find the current parking regulations complex. A system where parking ramps and lots are used for long term parking and street parking would lead to less confusion.

Much discussion ensued regarding overnight parking and permits. PWD Radtke has concerns with overnight parking during the winter which would hinder snow plow operations in the smaller lots.

There is no ordinance to support 3 hour parking in the Marina Place Lot and Ramp; the signage will be removed.

PC Stanke stated we need to come up with a plan for downtown parking, implement the plan and then enforce it.

Mayor Merkes will bring something back to the next Parking Committee meeting to address the bigger picture of downtown Menasha.

E. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion made by PC Stanke, seconded by CA Captain to adjourn at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Carol A. Schmidt, Public Works and Engineering Department