



# City of Manitowoc

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## Meeting Minutes

### Public Safety Committee

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Monday, September 13, 2021

5:30 PM Council Chambers. Meeting also available via Remote Conferencing-Zoom

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#### 1. Call to Order

#### 2. Roll Call

**Present:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

#### 3. Public Comment

No Public Comment

#### 4. Consent Agenda

These items will be approved by one motion unless any Committee Member wishes to remove an item for discussion.

REMOVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: None.

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda

**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Beeman, to accept the Consent Agenda Items and recommendations of the various committees The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0855](#) August 2021 Public Safety Minutes

**Attachments:** [08-09-2021 PS Minutes.pdf](#)

[21-0841](#) August 2021 Police Department Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [Police Department August 2021 Monthly Report..pdf](#)

[21-0842](#) August 2021 Fire Rescue Department Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [Fire Rescue Department August 2021 Monthly Report.pdf](#)

[21-0849](#) August 2021 Division of Life Safety Monthly Report

**Attachments:** [08-2021 BI Summary Report.pdf](#)

[21-0850](#) August 2021 Blight Expense Report

**Attachments:** [08-2021 Blight Program Funds.pdf](#)

## 5. Discussion and Action Items

[21-0854](#) Ordinance 16.350 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code regulating fences and hedges.

**Attachments:** [ORD TO REVISE FENCES AND HEDGES.pdf](#)

This Ordinance was requested by building inspection staff to clarify the heights, setbacks, and other regulations relating to residential fences on corner properties. Staff is often asked for clarification in these areas and the hope is this will eliminate the confusion. This ordinance did get approved by the Plan Commission.

**Moved by Reckelberg, seconded by Boldt, that this Ordinance be approved and referred to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0856](#) Discussion on controlled versus uncontrolled intersections.

**Attachments:** [RE\\_Signage Meeting Follow Up .pdf](#)

[City of Manitowoc Stop Sign Policy Guidelines October 2020.pdf](#)

[Realistic Speed Limits and Stop Signs Etc .pdf](#)

**Moved by Boldt, seconded by Reckelberg, that this Communication be tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0857](#) Request for stop signs at North 10th Street and Saint Clair Street.

**Attachments:** [RE\\_Signage Meeting Follow Up .pdf](#)

[ACCIDENTS - N 10TH ST - ST CLAIR ST - 2016-2021.pdf](#)

**Moved by Reckelberg, seconded by Vanderkin, that this Request be tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0860](#) Traffic and road sign discussion.

**Attachments:** [Alder Reckelberg - Traffic and Road Signage request.pdf](#)

Alder Reckelberg requested one-way street signs to be placed on the Northeast and Northwest corners of 8th Street and Washington Street. A work order will be completed for these signs to be installed.

**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Boldt, that this Communication be placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0862](#) Request to change Madison Street and South 13th Street to a controlled intersection.

**Attachments:** [Alder Vanderkin - Request to make Madison Street and S. 13th Street a controlled intersection.pdf](#)  
[MADISON ST - S 13TH ST - 2018-2021.pdf](#)

Alder Vanderkin expressed his concern regarding the lack of controlled intersections in this area. Alder Vanderkin made a motion to make this intersection controlled. After further discussion, Alder Vanderkin withdrew his motion and made a new motion to place this item on file.

**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Reckelberg, that this Request be placed on file. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0866](#) Discussion and possible action on removing the South 8th Street and Franklin Street signals and adding a 4-way stop (to be implemented when the City transitions to 2-way streets downtown).

**Attachments:** [Mayor Nickels - S. 8th Street and Franklin Steet to 4-way stop.pdf](#)

Items 21-0866 and 21-0867 are related and were brought forward to start a discussion on adding 4-way stops versus traffic signals in the downtown area. City staff is working on preparing for the 2-way street transition and if equipment is needed, due to turnaround time, this equipment will need to be ordered. There was a discussion today amongst city staff and there are pros and cons to both options. a recommendation was made to leave the existing traffic signs there and add stop signs with flashing lights to test the flow of traffic. This item was tabled for further discussion in the future.

**Moved by Reckelberg, seconded by Vanderkin, that this Action Item be tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0867](#) Discussion on making South 8th Street and Quay Street a 4-way stop (to be implemented when the City transitions to 2-way streets downtown).

**Attachments:** [Mayor Nickels - S 8th Street and Quay Street 4-way stop.pdf](#)

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**Moved by Vanderkin, seconded by Boldt, that this Communication be tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0868](#) Ordinance to amend section 10.390 of the Manitowoc Municipal code regulating parking on Bayshore Drive.

**Attachments:** [Bayshore Drive - Proposed Parking on the West Side .pdf](#)

[Ord to Amend 10390 Bayshore Dr \(002\).pdf](#)

[Proposed Bayshore Drive Parking Spaces - Page 1.pdf](#)

[Proposed Bayshore Drive Parking Spaces - Page 2.pdf](#)

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[Bayshore Parking.pdf](#)

**Moved by Reckelberg, seconded by Boldt, that this Request be approved and referred to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

[21-0869](#) Ordinance to amend Manitowoc Municipal Code 6.070, Fireworks and Pyrotechnics

**Attachments:** [Fireworks memo.pdf](#)  
[ord to amend 6.pdf](#)  
[JUNE - JULY 2020 - FIREWORKS COMPLAINTS.pdf](#)  
[MARCH - APRIL 2021 - FIREWORKS COMPLAINTS.pdf](#)  
[JUNE - JULY 2021 - FIREWORKS COMPLAINTS.pdf](#)

Due to the increased number of firework violations the Police Department and City Attorney's Office have been working collaboratively to draft an ordinance addressing the annual disturbances caused by unlawful firework displays. The changes proposed in this ordinance are intended to reduce the number of unlawful firework displays in the City, eliminate the sale of illegal fireworks within the City, and hold those who violate the fireworks statute or allow minors in their care to violate the fireworks statute accountable.

**Moved by Reckelberg, seconded by Vanderkin, that this Ordinance be approved and referred to Council. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg

## 6. Adjournment

**A motion was made by Tim Boldt, seconded by Vice Chair Brett Vanderkin, that this meeting be adjourned at 6:38 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Schlei, Vanderkin, Beeman, Boldt and Reckelberg