

Minutes of the Protection and Health Committee – 23 August 2010

A meeting of the Protection and Health Committee of the City of Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin was held on Monday August 23rd 2010 at 6:00 PM in Conference Room #2 of City Hall. Chairperson Mary Wayne called the meeting to order.

1. Call to order/Roll Call

All present except Pintz

2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements

ACTION: To certify MOTION: Munson SECOND: Ames VOTE: 4-0 (Pintz absent)

3. APPROVAL – August 2nd 2010 minutes

ACTION: To approve MOTION: Ames SECOND: Wayne VOTE: 4-0 (Pintz absent)

4. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL – Ordinance 2010-13

This ordinance deals with the regulation of vicious animals in the city of Prairie du Chien. Discussion was held on the definition of animals as well as who makes the determination of a “vicious animal”.

ACTION: To approve the Ordinance and send it to the Council for a vote on September 7th with the following changes:

ORIGINAL

(1) DEFINITIONS. For this Section, the following definitions shall apply:

(b) Animal. “Animal” includes every living warm blooded creature, except a human being, reptile, or amphibian.

AMENDED (Changes in italics)

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(b) Animal. “Animal” includes every living warm *and cold* blooded creature, except a human being, ~~reptile, or amphibian.~~

ORIGINAL

(3) ANIMAL BITES

(e) Any animal which bites a person on two (2) separate occasions shall by its action(s) be deemed as being a vicious animal. Further, any animal which bites a person on one (1) occasion shall by its action be deemed as being a vicious animal if in the opinion of the veterinary clinic which the City contracts with determines the bite is of such a severity that the animal is vicious. If an animal is determined vicious under the terms of this subsection, the City shall have the right to apply to the Circuit Court for Crawford County, Wisconsin, to have the animal permanently removed from the City of Prairie du Chien or destroyed.

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MOTION: Wayne SECOND: Munson VOTE: 4-0 (Pintz absent)

5. Adjourn (6:25 PM)

MOTION: Munson SECOND: Ames VOTE: 4-0 (Pintz absent)

Submitted by City Administrator Aaron Kramer