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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF A COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO**

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given to the public and to the news media, that the following meeting will be held.

COMMITTEE: Public Safety & Health Committee – Amended 06/02/2014 @ 9:15 a.m.

DATE: Thursday, June 5, 2014 TIME: 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Police Training Room, Municipal Building, 136 N. Monroe Street

1. Call To Order & Roll Call
2. Meeting Minutes Approval: May 1, 2014
3. Citizen Input
4. Unfinished Business
 - a. Pot-bellied Pigs, 126-2
 - b. W & K Agenda (Chamber of Commerce) 2014 – Street Closure
5. New Business
 - a. Safety on Clarkson Road
 - b. Bicycle Traffic Through The City
6. Future Agenda Items And Announcements
7. Adjourn

Morton Hansen, Clerk/Treasurer

*** See Council Packet

Committee Members: Reynolds, Griffin and Thomas

Printed, Posted, Emailed and Distributed: May 29, 2014

PLEASE NOTE: It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above meeting(s) to gather information. No action will be taken by any governmental body other than that specifically noticed. Also, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request such services please contact the clerk's office at the above location.

TO: Public Safety & Health Committee
FROM: Alderperson Lindsay Reynolds
DATE: April 3, 2014
RE: Draft Ordinance & Background – Potbellied Pigs

1. Draft Ordinance -- Creating Section 126-8
Keeping of Vietnamese Potbellied Pigs

2. Draft Ordinance – Amending Section 126-2
Keeping of Poultry and Livestock
Draft

3. Police Departments contacted.

4. Communication from the North American
Potbellied Pig Association, including
registration application.

5. Written outline presented to the Committee
on March 6, 2014

§126-8 Keeping of Vietnamese Potbellied Pigs

- A. Definition: *Vietnamese Potbellied Pig* shall mean purebred Vietnamese Potbellied Pigs which do not exceed one hundred (100) pounds in weight and are kept indoors as domesticated household pets.**
- B. Ownership of one (1) Vietnamese Potbellied Pig is allowed, on the owner's premises, as long as all of the following requirements are met:**
- 1) The animal is neutered/spayed by no more than three (3) months of age.**
 - 2) A license tag is obtained through the city clerk's office. To obtain a license all of the following criteria must be met:**
 - a) The animal has been examined by a licensed veterinarian within a period of thirty (30) days prior to a new, or renewal, license application being filed.**
 - b) The animal has received all required and recommended vaccinations and boosters, including rabies, and that the animal is healthy and free of contagious disease.**
 - c) A veterinarian has provided a signed certificate stating he/she has examined the animal, and has given the required vaccinations, as well as verifying the animal is one hundred (100) pounds or less. The veterinarian also has to confirm that:**
 - d) The animal's tusks, if any, have been removed or trimmed so as to not endanger and person or animal.**
 - e) The animal is registered through the North American Potbellied Pig Association (NAPPA). A completed, and approved, registration certificate or form must be submitted to the clerk's office when applying for a license.**
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep a Vietnamese potbellied pig in the city which has not received a current rabies vaccination and is unlicensed.**
- D. Sections §126-3, §126-4 (F)(G)(H)(I), §126-5, and §126-6 shall be applicable to Vietnamese potbellied pig ownership with the change**

that potbellied pigs are NOT allowed off leash, on public or private property, EXCEPT in an owner's or caregiver's fenced in yard.

- E. Commercial activities, such as breeding and selling, of Vietnamese potbellied pigs is prohibited.**
- F. If violation of any of the above stated code occurs, the same penalties as stated in §126-7 shall apply to Vietnamese potbellied pig ownership.**

§ 126-2 Keeping of poultry and livestock.

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[Amended by Ord. No. 96-1]

No person shall keep or maintain any poultry or fowl or any livestock, such as horses, cattle, sheep or goats, in any zoning district except agricultural districts, except that ponies and horses may be permitted in any residential district as a conditional use provided that the residential parcel contains at least two acres of land which is designated "floodplain" per animal available for pasture, maintenance or running of said animal, and further provided that any such animals are contained within a fence, no part of which is closer than 200 feet to any residence other than the residence of the owner of the animals.

***No person shall keep or maintain any poultry or fowl or any livestock such as, but not limited to, horses, cattle, sheep, goats, and farm hogs/swine, in any zoning district except agricultural districts...**

Police departments contacted:

- 1) Mt. Pleasant: No complaints involving potbellied pigs.**
- 2) Kenosha: Talked to Public Information Officer Lt. Brad Hetlet. In his 28 years on the force there have been zero complaints involving potbellied pigs.**
- 3) Racine: Talked to the Public Information Officer. He said he does know for sure there are owners of potbellied pigs in the city, and for as long as he has been on the force, there have been zero complaints.**
- 4) Neenah: Talked to officer Cory McKone. He informed me he spoke to all of the officers. The only complaint received was 1.5 years ago. A potbellied pig was playing in the owner's fenced in yard and rolling in the mud. A neighbor called and complained that the mud smelled. The officer arrived, talked to the owner, and met the pig. He found the owner was not violating any of the ordinances, there were no sanitation concerns, and he noted there was no offensive smell that he could notice. No action was taken.**
- 5) Little Chute: Talked to Lt. Mark Hallman. He informed there have been zero complaints about potbellied pigs. He did mention he met a potbellied pig and its owner once. He said the pig was the size of a cat and that it was no different than a dog regarding its behavior.**

I spoke to the president of the North American Potbellied Pig Association (NAPPA). She sent information about the registration site they provide and answered questions that I had. The registration form is included in this packet, and the communications between her and me are below:

Hi Lindsay,

NAPPA is the oldest PBP organization we encourage pet owners to have them registered we store info into our database. This will help in case they are lost or stolen too. We send out an application followed by a certificate with a number that is vet verified by owners vet.

There are many registered pet therapy pigs from Pet Partners. In past there has been a few PBPs who have detected tumors in humans, but not certified service animals to my knowledge. Some medical doctors have given owners medical papers to allow owners to use their pet pigs for certain conditions in humans but have not gone through any program to become a service animal. .

Hope this helps. Thank you for all you do.

Take Care.

Pam

From: Lindsay <kittymania8@gmail.com>

To: elliemaymun007@yahoo.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 9:15 PM

Subject: Re: Potbellied pigs

Hi Pam.

Thank you for the info.

Just a couple more questions.

1) If I were to write in a requirement a pbp owner has to register their pig with the N.A.P.P.A., to be able to own it in Waterloo, is that easy to do and is it necessary? There are some municipalities that require that and some that don't. Also, what is the point behind registering them?

2) Have there been pbps used as service animals? I ask this because I worked with an owner at a vet clinic who had a possum (yes, really) as a pet and registered service animal trained to detect seizures. So, I am looking at a possible angle that would make people see they are useful and intelligent indoor companions.

Again, thank you for your help.

Take care,

Lindsay Reynolds

Sent from my Kindle Fire