

CITY OF PRESCOTT

**MEETING NOTICE
ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021
5:30 PM**

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Meeting ID: 824 4060 0943

Passcode: 505879

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approve Minutes for January 25, 2021
4. Recreational Burning
5. Other Business
6. Adjourn

NOTICE

ACCESS TO THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING FOR THE DISABLED IS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING PARKING LOT ENTRANCE. ALL THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS SHOULD CALL CITY HALL OFFICES (715-262-5544) IF ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.

**CITY OF PRESCOTT, WISCONSIN
JANUARY 25, 2021 ORDINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the Ordinance Committee was held Monday, January 25, 2021 at the Municipal Building, 800 Borner St. Prescott, WI 54021

Aldersperson Hintz called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Dar Hintz and Thomas Oss. Bailey Ruona was excused. City Administrator Jayne Brand represented staff.

The committee discussed swimming pools. Fences were discussed. It was decided all swimming pools over 15 inches will need to be fenced with a fence which is at least four feet in height. The fence can be around the pool or a fence surround a yard may also be used to meet this requirement. An application must be completed with city hall each year before a pool over 15 inches is filled with water. This ordinance will be brought forward to council for the first reading.

Recreational burning was discussed. The committee reviewed ordinances and policies from a number of different communities. There are several items which the committee would like to see added to the recreational burning ordinance.

- Fires shall be permitted for 3 hours maximum to 11:00 pm and shall be completely extinguished at completion of activity or 11:00 pm whichever comes first.
- Only clean dry wood may be burned
- Fires must be supervised at all time by competent person 16 + years old until extinguished
- Only commercial charcoal lighter fluid can be used for starting fire
- Means to extinguish fire must be readily available, ie garden hose, water filled containers
- No fire in winds over 15 miles per hour

Aldersperson Oss stated he has no interest in regulating commercially available residential home smokers; BBQ's but would entertain restricting homemade smokers. The recreational burning ordinance will be forward to Council with the additions requested.

Height of detached accessory structures was discussed. The height was raised from 15 feet to 25 feet. There are currently two accessory structures in the older part of the city which are being built to the 25 feet. Accessory structures of this height are out of character for this part of the city. After decision it was decided to bring the ordinance with the 15 feet for a detached accessory structure to council for further discussion.

Other Business: Marvin Wenzel asked about the 3 hour time frame for having a fire. He stated you can start a fire later in the afternoon and if you are allowed to only have 3 hours you would have to extinguish early. He asked the 3 hour time frame be discussed further.

David Palme stated he has neighbors who burn for long periods of time and create a lot of smoke. He also stated one of his neighbors lay their meat on the fire and that creates smoke.

Oss/Hintz motion to adjourn passed without a negative voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jayne M. Brand
City Administrator

CITY OF PRESCOTT, WISCONSIN

ORDINANCE 02-21, an Ordinance to Repeal City Ordinance SECTION 303-8 "OPEN BURNING"

The City Council of the City of Prescott, Wisconsin, Do Ordain as Follows:

Section 1. All provisions of Section 303-8 "Open Burning" in effect on and before February 8, 2021 are hereby repealed.

Section 2. The following ordinance is hereby enacted:

303-8 OPEN BURNING.

A. Waste and refuse defined. "Waste and refuse" shall mean all rubbish, garbage and residual matter of any kind, including grass trimmings, leaves and pine needles.

B. Recreational burning.

- (1) The fire pit cannot be more than three feet in diameter.
- (2) The fire must be contained in a pit, ring or commercial pit.
- (3) The flame cannot be more than three feet high.
- (4) The fire must be at least 15 feet from any structure unless in a solid, gas or liquid burning appliance that is tested and listed by an accepted testing agency. The appliance must be installed and used per the manufacturer specifications and listings.
- (5) No rubbish, yard waste or treated wood is allowed in the fire pit.
- (6) There shall be no recreational burning in a manufactured and mobile home community.
- (7) Fires shall be permitted for 3 hours maximum to 11:00 pm and shall be completely extinguished at completion of activity or 11:00 pm whichever comes first.
- (8) Only clean dry wood may be burned
- (9) Fires must be supervised at all time by competent person 16 + years old until extinguished
- (10) Only commercial charcoal lighter fluid can be used for starting fire
- (11) Means to extinguish fire must be readily available, ie garden hose, water filled containers
- (12) No fire in winds over 15 miles per hour

This ordinance shall become effective upon due notice and publication as required by law

Passed, Approved and Adopted by the Prescott City Council on this ____ day of _____, 2021

David B. Hovel, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jayne M. Brand, City Administrator

Introduced:

Adopted:

Published:

Effective: