



**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
JUNE 9, 2009**

Honorable Mayor and Common Council  
City of West Allis, Wisconsin

The Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, June 9, 2009, to discuss proposed bills pending before the Wisconsin Legislature.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dan Devine  
Paul Ziehler, City Administrative Officer, Clerk/Treasurer  
Scott Post, City Attorney  
Gary Schmid, Manager of Finance

**EXCUSED:** Ald. Jim Sengstock

**LEAGUE:** 22-23

**1. REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION**

**SB224            PROCESS FOR DISCONTINUING STREETS**  
Refer to Mike Lewis.

**SB226            RECODIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LAW**  
Refer to Paul Ziehler and Steve Hook.

**AB269/  
SB219            CAUSING INJURY TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHILE  
RESISTING OR OBSTRUCTING AN OFFICER OR WHILE  
ATTEMPTING TO FLEE AND PROVIDING A PENALTY**  
Refer to Scott Post and Mike Jungbluth.

1. **REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION Cont'd.**

**SB221** CAMPAIGN FINANCING, DESIGNATIONS FOR THE WIS. ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND BY INDIVIDUALS FILING STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS, CREATING A NONREFUNDABLE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC INTEGRITY ENDOWMENT, CANDIDATE TIME ON PUBLIC BROADCASTING TELEVISION STATIONS AND PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNELS, STAFFING OF THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD; PROVIDING EXEMPTIONS FROM EMERGENCY RULE PROCEDURES; GRANTING RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES  
Refer to Paul Ziehler.

**SB208** REGULATION OF PERSONS WHO SELL DOGS OR OPERATE ANIMAL SHELTERS OR ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITIES, GRANTING RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY  
Refer to Paul Ziehler and MADACC.

2. **REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION**

**AB75** **BUDGET BILL**  
OPPOSE and therefore request change on the following:  
a.) Joint & Several Liability threshold (20%) should be kept at 51%.  
b.) Require liability insurance for all drivers.  
c.) Request change in ERP limit floor of "0%" to allow for carryover of unused CPI amount.  
d.) Retirement Homes for the Aged – Oppose the 160% average value exemption; reduce down to something more reasonable (100%).  
e.) Police & Fire (Emergency Services) Maintenance of Effort Spending Limit should be defined and limited to General Fund expenditures only.  
f.) Oppose the provision in Motion 743-31 that would allow free beer and wine to be provided at a non-profit fundraising event.

**AB165** **NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS**  
No position.

**AB257** **AMOUNT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE**  
No position

**SB144/  
AB174** **ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION TIF DISTRICTS**  
FAVOR.

2. **REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION Cont'd.**


**AB243            COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING DEADLINE EXTENSION  
FAVOR.**

**SB182            STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR INTENTIONAL TORTS  
OPPOSE, because the bill would extend the time frame for intentional torts from  
two years to three years, which is extremely too long.**

**SB196            TIME WITHIN WHICH A COMPLAINT MAY BE FILED OR A CIVIL  
ACTION MAY BE BROUGHT ALLEGING A VIOLATION OF THE  
FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE LAW AND THE PROCEDURES  
GOVERNING AN APPEAL  
OPPOSE, because the bill would extend the State FMLA time off, which would  
cost the City additional money, time off, and lost productivity for its employees.**

3. **OTHER**

- **Outstanding Referrals**  
None.

  
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Dan Devine, Mayor