



**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 22, 2009**

Honorable Mayor and Common Council
City of West Allis, Wisconsin

The Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, September 22, 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: 29-32

1. **REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION**

**SB127/
AB179** **EXPANSION OF MUNICIPAL LIABILITY LIMITS FOR MEDICAL
MALPRACTICE**

OPPOSE, because the bill would increase City liability costs on emergency response medical malpractice claims.

SB276 **POSTING LEGAL NOTICES ON MUNICIPAL WEB SITES**
OPPOSE, because the bill would be another unfunded State mandate.

**SB277/
AB399** **ENGINEERING COSTS COVERED UNDER LRIP**
Refer to Mike Lewis.

AB375 **COMMUNITY THEATER PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION**
OPPOSE, because the bill would be another case of property tax exemption that would shift taxes to other taxpayers.

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

- AB384 NEIGHBORHOOD ELECTRIC VEHICLES**
Refer to Mike Lewis and Scott Post.
- SB282/ AB403 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROPERTY INSURANCE PREMIUM HOLIDAY**
FAVOR, because the bill would save the City a large sum of money.
- AB402 NEIGHBORHOOD ELECTRIC VEHICLES**
Refer to Mike Lewis and Scott Post.
- AB404 PLACING A TENANT'S DELINQUENT UTILITY BILL ON THE LANDLORD'S PROPERTY TAX BILL**
OPPOSE, because the bill would severely limit the City's ability to collect delinquent water and sewer utility bills, costing the City a lot of money and making paying utility customers pay for the delinquent people through higher rates.
- SB272/ AB406 CHALLENGING BALLOTS OF ELECTORS AT VOTING PLACES**
Refer to Paul Ziehler
- SB287 ALLOWING MUNICIPALITIES TO TRANSFER JURISDICTION OVER STREETS TO TRIBES OR U.S. GOVERNMENT**
No position.
- SB291 DISTRESSED TIF DISTRICTS**
No position.
- SB294 EXPANDING THE RESTAURANT EXCEPTION TO LIQUOR LICENSE QUOTAS**
Refer to Scott Post.
- SB275/ AB367 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BASED ON CREDIT HISTORY**
Refer to Audrey Key and Scott Post.
- AB372 DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE FROM A HOUSEHOLD ON THE PROPERTY WHERE IT IS GENERATED**
Refer to Mike Pertmer.
- SB257/ AB374 EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE GRANTS**
Refer to Steve Hook.

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

SB261/ DEPLOYMENT OF HIGH-SPEED INTERNET SERVICES

AB391 Refer to Jim Jandovitz.

**SB267/ DEFINITION OF PLUMBING AND CLASSIFYING PLUMBERS
AB397 TO DO CERTAIN WORK**

Refer to Ted Atkinson.

**AB414 REQUIREMENTS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF FOOD PROTECTION
PRACTICES AND PROVIDING AN EXEMPTION FROM EMERGENCY
RULE PROCEDURES**

Refer to Terry Brandenburg.

**SB270 LIMITING THE SEARCHABILITY OF A GOVERNMENTAL
INTERNET LISTING OF PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED**

Refer to Chuck Ruud and Mike Jungbluth.

2. **REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION**

None.

3. **OTHER**

- Letter from Sen. Russ Feingold regarding his Listening Session on Friday, September 18, 2009.



Dan Devine, Mayor