

**Village of Spring Valley, Wisconsin  
Ordinance Committee  
September 23, 2024**

Chairman Huepfel called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Members Present: Huepfel, P. Koch

Absent: Erickson

Staff present: Emerson

Approval of Agenda: **Motion (P. Koch/Huepfel) to approve agenda. Carried**

Downtown bar owners and another business owner were present to discuss the Street Use Ordinance again. Jeff Butler presented statistics on the benefits of having town celebrations such as Oronoco MN Gold Rush Days, Iola, WI Car Show, and Ellsworth Cheese Curd Festival. He suggested the Village should create a committee to organize these types of events. Emerson stated those are all good things to bring people into the Village, the Village does support businesses, but we are running a local government, what he described was the local Chamber of Commerce. The meeting attendees are discouraged that other communities shut down the street for motorcycle runs and other events, Ellsworth does it in the Wall Street/Broadway Street area. It was noticed that the village street currently in discussion is the Village's main thoroughfare and the Ellsworth and other communities' street closures are removed from the center of town. Pete Koch suggested a Cafe Permit which would allow the streets to remain open but drinking would be allowed on the sidewalks within designated areas close to the hosting facility.

Koch will find the ordinance and the committee will meet again.

Emerson check with Village attorney to see if it is legal to drink within the Village if Board says it's o.k. (Café Permit)

**Motion (Huepfel/Koch) to adjourn 7:10 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Luann Emerson, Administrator