

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
January 31, 2012**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Steve Bekkedal, Marc Polsean, Chuck Steinhoff, Wes Mack, Cyndy Hubbard, John Thompson, Jeff Clifton, and Terry Noble present. Alderperson Gary Krause was excused. Also present were City Administrator John Severson, City Clerk Lori Polhamus, Fire Chief Steve Skrede, DPW Steve Clark, City Attorney David Jenkins, Utility Clerk Nancy Bekkedal, and Broadcaster reporter Jennifer Wieman.

2. Approval of the January 10, 2012 Regular Council Minutes.

Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff/second by Alderperson Polsean to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2012 regular council meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment. - None

4. Committee Appointment Changes

Mayor Fanta stated that Steve Bekkedal will be added to the Public Property and Public Safety Committees. The Chair of Public Property will be Chuck Steinhoff. Fanta stated after the April election these will be looked at again if anyone was interested in making changes. Motion by Alderperson Clifton/second by Alderperson Noble to approve the Committee appointment changes. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Resolution accepting dedication of a street – tabled until the February 14, 2012 meeting

6. Operator license applications (Public Safety) – Motion by Alderperson Mack/second by Alderperson Noble to approve Operator licenses to Sheree Garcia (Pizza Hut) and Macon Luhnig (Rooted Spoon Culinary, LLC). Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Future Fund Balance Policy (informational) – This policy was suggested by the auditors to define what our fund balance means. It would allow us to set aside funds designated for a specific purpose. The separate savings accounts that are currently set up could be brought back in and designated to certain projects. This would tighten up unreserved balances and not allow them to be transferred for operating expenses. This will be brought to the next Finance meeting for further discussion and action.

8. Payment of bills.

A motion was made by Alderperson Noble to approve the payment of bills on report date 1/27/12 in the amount of \$1,199,328.40 and additional bills report date 1/31/12 in the amount of \$7865.65/second by Alderperson Mack. Roll call vote - all in favor. Motion carried.

9. Second Period for Public Comment - None

10. Adjournment

Motion made by Alderperson Steinhoff/second by Alderperson Hubbard to adjourn the meeting until February 14, 2012. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Lori Polhamus, City Clerk