

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 24, 2009**

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 David Tryggstad, Marc Polsean, John Bjerke, Gary Krause, Weston Mack, Roger Hatlem, Jeff Clifton and Terry Noble present. Alderperson Frie was absent. Also present were Assistant Administrator Matt Giese, Clerk John Severson, Police Chief Mark Rahr, Utility Clerk Nancy Bekkedal, Nancy Rhodes and Attorney David Jenkins.

2. Approval of the February 10, 2009 Regular Council Minutes.

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the February 10, 2009 minutes. Seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

3. First period for public comment.

None.

4. Operator licenses.

None.

5. Appointment of Gary Krause to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve the appointment of Gary Krause. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggstad. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

6. Designation of Viroqua Historic landmark at 319 East Jefferson Street. (Munson – Atwood House)

The Historic Preservation Commission held a public hearing concerning the designation on February 10, 2009 and is recommended approval of the designation to the Council. Motion by Alderperson Krause to approve the designation of property at 319 East Jefferson Street, owned by Micheal and Laura Bankes, as a Historic Landmark. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggstad. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

7. Resolution authorizing a commercial internet banking agreement with Baraboo National Bank.

Matt Giese introduced the resolution authorizing City Officers to execute the agreement with Baraboo National Bank. The new agreement is necessary in order to continue processing automatic payments for utility bills. Motion by Alderperson Krause to approve Resolution No.09RS001. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

8. Update on proposed State Budget.

Matt Giese reported that the proposed budget includes a 1% cut in shared revenues for 2010, an increase in the levy limit from 2% to 3%, a \$1.00/ton increase in solid waste tipping fees and an increase in the environmental repair fee to \$3.40/ton.

9. Payment of bills.

Motion by Alderperson Noble to approve the bills as presented on payment reports dated February 20, 2009 and February 24, 2009 in the amounts of \$1,538,223.67 and \$5,028.25. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

10. Second period for public comment.

None.

11. Adjournment.

Motion by Alderperson Krause to adjourn the meeting until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2009. Seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

John Severson
Clerk