

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2010**

1. Roll call:

The rescheduled regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons David Tryggestad, Charles Steinhoff, Gary Krause, Weston Mack, Roger Hatlem, John Thompson, Jeff Clifton and Terry Noble present. Alderperson Marc Polsean was absent. Also present were Administrator Matt Giese, Clerk John Severson, Police Chief Mark Rahr, City Attorney David Jenkins, and Jerome Shepard.

2. Approval of the February 23, 2010 Regular Council Minutes

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the February 23, 2010 Council minutes. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

3. First period for public comment

Jerome Shepard asked the Council to not accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation offer to purchase land from the Viroqua Airport. Mr. Shepard said he is not against the sale, but the grass runway should not be closed and should be relocated. The offer is insufficient to relocate the grass runway.

4. Wisconsin Department of Transportation offer to purchase 0.98 acres of the Viroqua Airport site for future Hwy 14 construction. (Plan Commission)

Matt Giese reviewed the offer to purchase with the Council. The Airport Commission and the Plan Commission had previously recommended approval of the sale. It was noted that Airport Manager Mike Skildum was unable to attend the meeting. Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to approve the sale of 0.98 acres of the Viroqua Airport site to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for \$507,000. Seconded by Alderperson Mack. On roll call vote Alderpersons Tryggestad and Hatlem voted aye. Alderpersons Krause, Mack, Thompson, Clifton, Noble and Steinhoff voted nay. Motion fails.

5. Discussion on Sewer Utility debt refinancing. Authorization to proceed

Matt Giese informed the Council that no action was required at this time. Sean Lentz from Ehlers will attend the March 30, 2010 Council meeting and the Sewer Utility debt refinancing will be on the agenda.

6. Resolution authorizing submission of a CDBG application for West Broadway project.

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve Resolution No.10RS003 Authorizing Submission of CDBG Application. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

7. Award of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant funds.

Matt Giese announced that the City has been awarded an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant in the amount of \$204,000.

8. Municipal Funds Banking Resolutions.

Motion by Alderperson Noble to approve Municipal Funds Banking Resolutions for Revolving Loan Fund, CDBG Housing and Parks and Recreation Ice Savings. Seconded by Alderperson Clifton. All voted aye on voice. Motion carries.

9. Hwy 14 crosswalk at Oak and VMH

Matt Giese reported that Public Safety was recommending going from two crosswalks to one crosswalk and four lanes of traffic to two lanes. CWE will design the crosswalk and traffic lane striping for \$3,000. Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve the crosswalk and traffic lane changes. Seconded by Alderperson Thompson. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

10. Class “A” license transfer for Kwik Trip (Public Safety)

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve the Class “A” license transfer for Kwik Trip Inc. from 520 N. Main to 1301 N. Main upon opening at the new location. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

11. Agent change – Kwik Trip (Public Safety)

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve Nancy Braaten as Agent for Kwik Trip South. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion Carries.

12. Operator licenses. (Public Safety)

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve operator licenses for Katherine Franks and Nancy Braaten. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

13. Payment of bills

Motion by Alderperson Krause to approve payment of the bills as presented on payment reports dated March 19, 2010 in the amount of \$230,886.26 Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

14. Second period for public comment

Jerome Shepard addressed the Council concerning the Airport land sale.

15. Adjournment

Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff to adjourn the meeting until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 30, 2010. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggstad. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

John Severson, Clerk