

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 29, 2011**

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, Charles Steinhoff, Weston Mack, Cyndy Hubbard, John Thompson, Jeff Clifton and Terry Noble present. Alderperson Gary Krause was absent. Also present were Administrator Matt Geise, Clerk John Severson, Police Chief Mark Rahr, City Attorney David Jenkins, Jeff Gohlke, Sue Noble, Alvin Hanson and Jason Franks.

2. Approval of the March 8, 2011 Regular Council Minutes

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve the March 8, 2011 Council minutes. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

3. First period for public comment

Mayor Fanta announced that Jason Franks was honored as Police Officer of the year by the Viroqua Eagles.

4. Public hearing relating to proposed Midwestern disaster revenue bond financing to benefit Vernon Economic Development Association, Inc

Mayor Fanta called the public hearing to order. Rebecca Speckhard from Quarles & Brady participated in the public hearing via speaker phone as bond counsel for the City. Matt Geise reviewed the revenue bond financing in an amount not to exceed \$1,800,000. Sue Noble, Executive Director of VEDA, Jeff Gohlke, VEDA board member and Alvin Hanson, VEDA President answered questions from the Council. No citizens were present to be heard. Mayor Fanta closed the public hearing.

5. Consideration of Final Resolution regarding Midwestern Disaster Revenue Bond financing to benefit Vernon Economic Development Association, Inc.

Motion by Alderperson Hubbard to approve Resolution No.11RS005 a Final Resolution Regarding Midwestern Disaster Revenue Bond Financing To Benefit Vernon Economic Development Association, Inc. Project. Seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

6. Resolution approving a Development agreement with and Authorizing the issuance of a not to exceed \$1,800,000 Taxable Tax Increment revenue bond to Vernon Economic Development Association, Inc.

Matt Geise presented the development agreement and tax increment revenue bond for the Vernon Economic Development Association, Inc. project. Motion by Alderperson Thompson to approve Resolution No.11RS006 a Resolution Approving A Development Agreement With And Authorizing The Issuance Of A Not To Exceed \$1,800,000 Taxable Tax Increment Revenue Bond To Vernon Economic Development Association, Inc. Seconded by Alderperson Hubbard. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

7. Picnic license application from Viroqua American Legion (Public Safety)

Motion by Alderperson Mack to issue three picnic licenses to the Viroqua American Legion for Bigley Park on July 1st through 4th, July 21st through 24th and August 4th through 7th. Seconded by Alderperson Clifton. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

8. Operator licenses (Public Safety)

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve operator licenses for Christopher Olson, Saran Peltier, Linda Gallardo and Ryan Nedland. Seconded by Alderperson Steinhoff. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

9. Ordinance regarding parking.

Motion by Alderperson Noble to approve Ordinance No.11OR001 and waive the second reading. Seconded by Alderperson Hubbard. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

10. Police department change to 12 hour shifts. (Finance and Personnel)

Police Chief Mark Rahr discussed the shift change as proposed by the Police Union. The change to 12 hour shifts would be for a three month trial basis. Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff to approve the shift change on a three month trial basis. Seconded by Alderperson Clifton. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

11. Possible closed session under 19.82 (1)(c), Wis. Stats (consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility) non-union employees.

Motion by Alderperson Polsean to adjourn to closed session. Seconded by Alderperson Steinhoff. On roll call vote all voted aye. Motion carries.

12. Reconvene in open session.

The Council reconvened in open session with the same members present.

13. Resolution pertaining to non-union employee compensation in relationship to proposed Wisconsin Act 10

Motion by Alderperson Hubbard to approve Resolution 11RS004 providing compensation to non-union employees for the 5.8% State mandated contribution to the Wisconsin Retirement System through December 31, 2011. Seconded by Alderperson Steinhoff. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries

14. Payment of bills

Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff to approve payment of bills as presented on payment reports dated March 25, 2011 and March 29, 2011 in the amounts of \$129,041.66 and \$93,472.76. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

15. Second period for public comment

None

16. Adjournment

Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff to adjourn the meeting until April 12, 2011. Seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

John Severson, Clerk