

**CITY OF VIROQUA  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
MAY 10, 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, Gary Krause, Cyndy Hubbard, John Thompson and Jeff Clifton and Terry Noble present. Alderperson Weston Mack was absent. Also present were Administrator Matt Giese, Clerk John Severson, Police Chief Mark Rahr, City Attorney David Jenkins and Marv Nelson.

**2. Approval of the April 26, 2011 Regular Council Minutes**

Motion by Alderperson Krause to approve the April 26, 2011 Council minutes. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**3. First period for public comment**

None

Without objection the Council took up agenda item No. 8

**8. Request by Marv Nelson for variance under section 16.04.030 of the Viroqua Municipal code to permit deeding a strip of land to neighboring owner McDonald's without a new survey**

Attorney Jenkins reviewed the ordinance section that would allow for the variance. The Council was presented with a previous CSM dated December 29, 2010 indicating the portion to be deeded. Motion by Alderperson Clifton to approve Resolution No.11RS008 granting the variance from the subdivision requirements. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**4. Ordinance regarding public work by City – second reading**

Matt Giese introduced the ordinance as recommended by Public Works with first reading approved at Council on April 26, 2010. Alderperson Clifton suggested that a procedure should be in place for the hiring of additional services when necessary to help the City complete a project within the scope of the ordinance. The Council discussed the ordinance. Motion by Alderperson Polsean to approve the second reading of ordinance regarding public work by the City. Motion failed for lack of a second. Motion by Alderperson Clifton to table the second reading of the ordinance until the next meeting. Seconded by Alderperson Noble. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**5. Purchase of dump truck – Public Works**

Matt Giese reported that Public Works recommends the purchase of a quad axle dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$55,000. A three to six year payback is anticipated. Motion by Alderperson Noble to approve the recommendation to purchase a quad axle dump truck for an amount not to exceed \$55,000. Seconded by Alderperson Clifton. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

**6. Appointment of Weed Commissioner**

Motion by Alderperson Noble to appoint Kathy Volden as Weed Commissioner. Seconded by Alderperson Hubbard. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**7. Fire Department lighting and electrical upgrades ( Energy Grant ) and other maintenance**

Matt Giese presented the bids for lighting upgrades ( Energy Grant ) - CRJ Electric @ \$8,874.00, Adam Fogelson @ \$9,007.93 and power drops – CRJ Electric @ \$3,625.00 , Adam Fogelson @ \$9,007.93. Motion by

Alderson Clifton to accept the low bids from CRJ Electric in the amounts of \$8,874.00 and \$3,625.00. Seconded by Alderson Hubbard. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

**9. Vernon Electric request for easement in City lots in Crossing Meadows Subdivision**

Motion by Alderson Noble to approve the easement with specific location to be determined by Public Works and Administration. Seconded by Alderson Steinhoff. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**10. Possible closed session per Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (e), Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public property, the investing of public funds, or conduction other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – former Kwik Trip store at 520 North main Street**

Motion by Alderson Noble to adjourn to closed session. Seconded by Alderson Krause. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

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

**11. Payment of bills**

Motion by Alderson Krause to approve payment of bills as presented on payment reports dated May 6, 2011 and May 10, 2011 in the amounts of \$152,569.17 and \$6,931.57. Seconded by Alderson Noble. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

**12. Second period for public comment**

None

**13. Adjournment**

Motion by Alderson Steinhoff to adjourn the meeting until May 31, 2011. Seconded by Alderson Hubbard. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

John Severson, Clerk