

**CITY OF VIROQUA  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
JUNE 9, 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, Charles Steinhoff, Gary Krause, Weston Mack, Roger Hatlem, John Thompson, Jeff Clifton and Terry Noble present. Also present were Administrator Jeff Gohlke, Assistant Administrator Matt Giese, Clerk John Severson, Police Chief Mark Rahr, City Attorney David Jenkins, Mike Skildum, Doug Swenson, Cynthia Hubbard, Rick Maker and Matt Johnson

**2. Approval of the May 26, 2009 Regular Council Minutes**

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the May 26, 2009 minutes as corrected. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**3. First period for public comment**

None.

**4. Resolution Petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for Airport Improvement Aid**

Jeff Gohlke presented Resolution 09RS007 "Petition for Airport Project". Listed improvements are update airport plan, hanger area development, seal coat runway and airport pavement areas, terminal area security lighting and install PAPI/REIL on runway 11/29, clear and maintain runway approaches, acquire snow removal equipment and any necessary related work. Motion by Alderperson Polsean to approve Resolution No. 09RS007. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggstad. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**5. Public hearing on the application by Jim Greely Signs and Awnings Inc. on behalf of Culvers Restaurant to install an electronic variable message sign at 1002 North Main Street**

Mayor Fanta called the public hearing to order. Jeff Gohlke reviewed the application which is part of the overall remodeling of the restaurant. Design Review Committee had approved the non electronic signs. The Plan Commission held a public hearing on June 1, 2009 on electronic variable message sign request and unanimously recommended approval with the following conditions:

1. The sign can be used from 7:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.
2. Only static messages will be allowed. Text will not scroll, spin or otherwise move across the sign face. No animated graphics will be permitted, such as flags, clouds, ballons, bubbles, etc.
3. The LED is to be an amber color.
4. Letter height can range from 3 lines of 7 inch letters, up to 2 lines of 10 inch letters.
5. Messages shall be visible for a minimum of 5 seconds, with a one second delay between messages.
6. No other signs will be permitted to be attached to the main sign or its supports.
7. The light intensity of the signs will be regulated by a light sensing unit so that the sign will automatically dim as ambient light decreases.

Motion by Alderperson Mack to close the public hearing and to approve the conditional use permit for the electronic variable message sign as recommended by the Plan commission. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. On voice vote Alderpersons Tryggstad, Polsean, Steinhoff, Mack, Hatlem, Thompson and Clifton voted aye. Alderpersons Krause and Noble voted nay. Motion carries.

**6. Certified Survey Map – Cynthia Hubbard**

The Plan Commission reviewed the CSM on June 1, 2009 and recommended approval. Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff to approve the Certified Survey Map. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**7. Alcohol license renewals**

Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to approve alcohol license renewals for Chilito Lindo, 747 S. Main St, Class B Beer and Liquor and Organic Zone, 213 S. Main St, Class B Beer and Class C Wine. Seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**8. Request for temporary alcohol license premise change – Viroqua Eagles**

Tabled until the next meeting.

**9. Operator licenses – new and renewal**

Motion by Alderperson Thompson to approve operator licenses as presented and recommended by Public Safety. Seconded by Alderperson Mack. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries. ( list attached )

**10. Picnic license – Viroqua Hockey Association**

Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to approve a Picnic license for Viroqua Hockey Association for July 18, 2009 at 210 Fairgrounds Rd. seconded by Alderperson Steinhoff. On voice vote Alderpersons Tryggestad, Polsean, Steinhoff, Krause, Mack, Thompson, Clifton and Noble voted aye. Alderperson Hatlem voted nay. Motion carries.

**11. Appointments to the Airport Commission**

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve Mayor Fanta's appointments of Duane Munyon –term expiring 9/1/2014, Doug Swenson – term expiring 9/1/2012, Jeff Olson – term expiring 9/1/2012, Mark Polsean – term expiring 9/1/2012, to the Airport Commission. Seconded by Alderperson Tryggestad. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**12. Appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals.**

Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to approve Mayor Fanta's appointments of Don Long – term expiring 5/1/2011, Sonia Fortney – term expiring 5/1/2012, and Bill Mapp – term expiring 5/1/2011, to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**13. Appointment to the Housing Authority – Robert Peterson**

Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to appoint Robert Peterson to the Housing Authority. Seconded by Alderperson Thompson. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

**14. Payment of bills.**

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the bills as presented on payment reports dated June 5, 2009 and June 9, 2009 in the amounts of \$154,678.44 and \$22,582.58. Seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

**15. Second period for public comment.**

None.

**16. Adjournment.**

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

