

JUNE 28, 2005

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Roger Hatlem, David Tryggestad, Gail Frie, John Bjerke, Robert Suhr, Marc Polsean, Vernie Smith, Terry Noble, and Alderperson Weston Mack present. Also present were Deputy Clerk Jodie Olson, City Consultant Jeff Gohlke, City Attorney David Jenkins, Director of Public Works Thomas Henry, Police Chief Mark Rahr, Fire Chief Steven Skrede, Dan Stalsberg, Nancy Bekkedal, Rich Grams, Art Amundson, Broadcaster, and WVRQ.

2. Approval of the June 14th, 2005 regular Council minutes:

Motion made by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the minutes of the June 14th Regular Meeting of the Common Council with the below stated corrections, seconded by Alderperson Suhr. All aye; motion carries.

Corrections to the June 14th Council minutes:

1. Number Two: Alderperson Suhr approved the minutes, not Alderperson Mack.
2. Number Fourteen B: Listed no second for approval of the contract between Vernon County and the City of Viroqua. The motion was made by Alderperson Hatlem.

3. Approval of the June 23rd, 2005 regular Council minutes:

Motion made by Alderperson Suhr to approve the minutes of the June 23rd Regular Meeting of the Common Council, seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All aye; motion carries.

4. First period for public comment:

None

5. 2 acres on Willow Street – Randall Gabrielson:

Rich Grams spoke to the council about purchasing land from Randall Gabrielson and whether a survey would need to be done. A suggestion was made by Tom Henry that CWE may have an asbuilt map that could be helpful with the determination of water and sewer mains. A motion was made by Alderperson Mack, seconded by Hatlam that the 2 acres that Rich was purchasing from Randall should have a survey done. Roll call; all aye; motion carries.

6. Resolution approving Hutton CSM (Dollar General) (05RS022):

The Plan Commission has already approved. Motion made by Alderperson Frie, seconded by Alderperson Bjerke to approve Resolution 05RS022. All aye, motion carries.

7. Resolution extending the Comprehensive Planning Commission to December 31, 2005 (05RS023):

Motion made by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Frie to accept Resolution 05RS023 to extend the Comprehensive Planning Commission to December 31, 2005. All aye; motion carries.

8. Initial Resolution authorizing the borrowing of not to exceed \$8,755,000.00 (05RS024):

Vig and Associates along with Ehlers recommend we adopt this resolution to pay debt service because of future levy limits. A motion was made by Alderperson Suhr, seconded by Alderperson Mack to approve the Resolution 05RS024. A roll call vote was taken with 8 aye and 1 nay vote cast by Alderperson Smith. Motion carries.

9. Resolution assigning oversight responsibility for city zoning and building inspection functions to the Public Property and General Governmental Committee (05RS025):

Building inspector Pat Abt would like to have a committee to go to with any problems or concerns that come up with city zoning or building inspections. Motion made by Alderperson Smith, seconded by Alderperson Polsean to approve Resolution 05RS025 which assign's the Public Property and General Governmental Committee to any matters and issues involving zoning and building inspection. all aye, motion carries.

10. Alcohol Licenses:

Motion made by Alderperson Mack to approve the Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine alcohol license for The Driftless Café, and operators licenses for Veronica Hoiland and Vicki Neumann. Motion was seconded by Alderperson Noble. All aye; motion carries.

11. Fire pits:

Alderperson Hatlam had a constituent complain about a fire pit being to close to a garage. Fire chief Skrede said there is nothing in the ordinance stating how far a fire pit needs to be from a building. A motion was made by Alderperson Frie, seconded by Alderperson Trygestad to refer the matter to Public Safety for further discussion. All aye, motion carries.

12. Public Works Committee recommendation on purchasing two impellars for the Lincoln Street lift station - info:

The Public Works Committee has approved the purchase of two impellars for the Lincoln Street lift station at a cost of \$1500 each. These impellars will more than double what currently pumps from the lift station.

13. Public Works Committee decision on brush disposal - info.

The current brush disposal policy will stay in affect. Larger brush piles should be tied and bundled and smaller compost and brush should be in cans or bags in order to be picked up.

14. Library update by Alderperson Suhr:

The library bills were approved by the library board for payment. An estimate on the roof repairs at the library was received. The lease was extended at the Peterson Motors building for one more year. Library union negotiations will begin July 22nd.

15. Mayoral appointments to the Board of Review:

Tabled.

16. Mayoral appointment to the Board of Appeals:

Tabled.

17. Payment of Bills:

Motion made by Alderperson Suhr to pay bills as recommended by the Finance Committee, seconded by Alderperson Polsean. Roll call, all aye; motion carries.

18. Second Period for public comment:

None

19. Adjournment:

Motion made by Alderperson Frie to adjourn the council meeting until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12th, 2005, seconded by Alderperson Noble. All ayes; motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Jodie L. Olson
Deputy Clerk