

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
AUGUST 12, 2008**

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, John Bjerke, Gary Krause, Weston Mack, Roger Hatlem, Gail Frie, Jeff Clifton and Terry Noble present. Also present were Administrator Jeff Gohlke, Assistant Administrator Matt Giese. Clerk John Severson, Assistant Police Chief Daron Jefson, Public Works Superintendent Steve Clark, Parks & Recreation Director Dan Stalsburg, Attorney David Jenkins, Stan Getter, Heidi Salach and Ed Barlow.

2. Approval of the July 29, 2008 Regular Council Minutes.

Motion by Alderperson Mack to approve the July 29, 2008 minutes as amended. Seconded by Alderperson Hatlem. All voted aye on voice. Motion carries.

3. First period for public comment.

Heidi Salach questioned the closing time of the skate park. Alderperson Noble responded that closing time had been set at 10 minutes after the street lights come on.

4. Ordinance regarding battery. Second reading.

Motion by Alderperson Polsean to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 08OR009, An Ordinance regarding battery. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

5. Ordinance regarding a revised airport height limitation zoning map. First reading.

Jeff Gohlke reviewed the proposed height limitation zoning map. The newly drawn map reflects minor changes in the geometry of the airport in the 10 years since the last map was drawn. The Plan Commission, after public hearing, recommended approval of the proposed map and ordinance. Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve Ordinance No. 08OR010 adopting a revised airport height limitation zoning map and to waive the second reading. Seconded by Alderperson Clifton. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

6. Offer of Vernon Memorial Healthcare Inc. to purchase city property at 725 East Arena Drive.

Motion by Alderperson Tryggstad to table the item until a latter date. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

7. Action regarding neighborhood conferencing program.

Alderperson Frie introduced the Neighborhood Conferencing Program to the Council. The program was developed by the efforts of a twenty-five member citizen work group. The cost to implement the program is estimated at \$1,500.00. Alderperson Frie answered question from the Council. Motion by Alderperson Krause to approve an expenditure of up to \$1,500.00 for the Neighborhood Conferencing Program. Seconded by Alderperson Clifton. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

8. Payment of bills.

Motion by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the bills as presented on payment reports dated August 8, 2008 and August 12, 2008 in the amounts of \$104,313.17 and \$7,784.30. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on roll call vote. Motion carries.

9. Second period for public comment.

Tim Hunt thanked Steve Clark for his help at the skate park.

10. Adjournment.

Motion by Alderperson Polsean to adjourn the meeting until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 26, 2008. Seconded by Alderperson Krause. All voted aye on voice vote. Motion carries.

John Severson
Clerk