

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
August 13, 2013**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Steve Bekkedal, Gary Krause, Tom Wilson, John Thompson, Cyndy Hubbard, Jeff Clifton, Marc Polsean, Mark Rahr, and Terry Noble present. Also present were City Administrator John Severson, City Clerk Lori Polhamus, Police Chief Daron Jefson, Public Works Director Steve Clark, Fire Chief Steve Skrede, Library Director Trina Erickson, Park & Rec Director Dan Stalsberg, Engineer Sarah Grainger, Nathan Randall, and Chuck Steinhoff.

2. Approval of the July 30, 2013 Regular Council Minutes - Motion by Alderperson Krause/second by Alderperson Hubbard to approve the minutes of the July 30, 2013 Council meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment – none

4. Approval of premise description change for Viroqua Fire Dept picnic license – Jammin for the Vets (Public Safety) – Motion by Alderperson Bekkedal/second by Alderperson Rahr to approve a premise description change to the in-field next to the VIP area connecting to the beer garden for the Viroqua Fire Department picnic license for August 22-24, 2013. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Resolution authorizing financial support to Viroqua Public Library Project (Finance) – Severson stated this would be part of long term borrowing for approximately 20 years. Using a possible 3% interest rate this would be an estimated .114 increase in the mill rate or \$14.00 per \$100,000 valuation. This is a pledge for funds and the money would not be transferred until construction takes place. The Council will be involved in the contract review and bids as this would become City property. Trina Erickson stated that 95% of the funds need to be raised prior to construction per the Library Board and they are hoping for a spring 2014 start. The property transfer from the Gundersen Foundation to WTC just occurred last week so the transfer to the City has not occurred yet. Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Krause to approve resolution RS13011 authorizing financial support to the Viroqua Public Library project. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Public Works recommendation for award of well house #6 bids – contracts B & C - Contract B is for the well house and Contract C is for the connection of the water system to the building and related road work. There were three bidders for Contract B and two for Contract C and all requirements were met. Motion by Alderperson Clifton/second by Alderperson Thompson to approve Olympic Builders for Contract B and apply the deduct to use CTW Corporation as the pump installer for a total contract price of \$877,560 and to approve Badger Environmental for Contract C for a total contract price of \$116,443. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Approval of design-build bidding for Park & Rec equipment building (Park & Rec) – Severson stated the engineering service quotes came in really high for this project and the Park & Rec committee recommended advertising for bids and bring it back to Council for possibly building the 40x60 building this year. Motion by Alderperson Polsean/second by Alderperson Thompson to authorize going out for bids for the equipment building. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

8. Payment of bills. – Motion by Alderperson Krause/second by Alderperson Wilson to approve the payment of bills on report date 08/09/13 in the amount of \$109,399.66 and additional bills report date 08/13/13 in the amount of \$42,502.02. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

9. Second Period for Public Comment – none

10. Adjournment -

Motion made by Alderperson Rahr/second by Alderperson Bekkedal to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk