

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2015**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Steve Bekkedal, Mark Rahr, Cyndy Hubbard, Jeff Clifton, John Thompson and Mike Bankes present. Terry Noble, Tom Wilson and Marc Polsean were excused. Also present were City Administrator John Severson, City Clerk Lori Polhamus, Police Chief Daron Jefson, Fire Chief Steve Skrede, Engineer Sarah Grainger and Park and Rec Director Dan Stalsberg.

2. Approval of the December 30, 2014 Regular Council Minutes – Motion by Alderperson Bekkedal/second by Alderperson Rahr to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2014 meeting as presented. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment – none

4. Appointment of City Health Officer – Dr. Anthony L. Macasaet, M.D. – Mayor Fanta stated Rolando Macasaet is resigning and Anthony Macasaet has expressed interest in being appointed as Health Officer. Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Bankes to appoint Dr. Anthony L. Macasaet, M. D. as City Health Officer. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Approval of Library project direct purchase invoices (Finance) Polhamus stated we have \$39,567.81 in direct purchase invoices to save sales tax on the library project. These are for plumbing, HVAC, electrical, and aluminum systems and they will come back as change orders on the project. All the direct purchase invoices have been reviewed by the construction manager and are ready for payment. Currently there is a balance of \$96,508.05 in the construction account. Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Bekkedal to approve direct purchases of \$39,567.81 for the Library project. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Approval of Library change order #2 – Tricon Construction Group (Finance) Polhamus stated this change order includes all the direct purchase payments from the last two City Council approvals which saved \$4649.06 in sales tax. This also includes change order #4 for the increase in site work and concrete for \$4810.00. The overall net decrease to our Tricon Construction Group contract for this change order is a decrease of \$84,367.42 which will be reflected on their next pay request. Motion by Alderperson Thompson/second by Alderperson Rahr to approve change order #2 for Tricon Construction Group for a decrease of \$84,367.42. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Approval of Ehlers as Dissemination Agent for Continuing Disclosure requirement (Finance) Severson stated we have used Ehlers in the past for this as this is a requirement for continuing disclosure to all bond holders and government agencies that need to know the financial situation of the City. Standard & Poor's requires regular updates as well to maintain our bond rating. The cost has been \$1200 in the past but with the additional bonds the cost could range up to \$2800. Motion by Alderperson Bekkedal/second by Alderperson Bankes to approve Ehlers as Dissemination Agent for Continuing Disclosure. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

8. Payment of bills. – Motion by Alderperson Rahr/second by Alderperson Thompson to approve the payment of bills on report date 01/09/15 in the amount of \$323,749.48 and additional bills report date 01/13/15 in the amount of \$916,943.28. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

9. Second Period for Public Comment – Alderperson Clifton inquired about the temporary heating for the library project which is included in the original contract.

10. Adjournment -

Motion made by Alderperson Rahr/second by Alderperson Bekkedal to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk