

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 11, 2016**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Steve Bekkedal, Marc Polsean, Mike Bankes, Mike Koppa, Sondra Naxi, John Montemurno, Todd Sanwick and Cyndy Hubbard present. Alderperson Terry Noble was absent. Also present were City Administrator John Severson, City Clerk Lori Polhamus, Attorney Stephanie Hopkins, Assistant Police Chief Todd Simonson, Public Works Director Sarah Grainger, Jeff Gohlke, Taryn Greendeer, Arwyn Wildhack, Vicki Ramsay and other members of the Citizens for a Pollinator Friendly City.

2. Approval of the September 27, 2016 Regular Council minutes – Motion by Alderperson Bekkedal/second by Alderperson Sanwick to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2016 Council meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment – Vicki Ramsay addressed the Council on behalf of the Citizens for a Pollinator Friendly City. They have been working on an amendment to ordinance 8.32.010 regarding noxious weeds and the role of the weed commissioner. The proposal was passed out to the Council. They also supplied copies of a petition with names of people in support of what they are doing. Mike Koppa thanked their committee for taking the initiative to work on this.

4. Mortgage note modification agreement – VEDA Tid #3 – Jeff Gohlke explained that in 2011 a group of five banks funded the 1.7 million that was borrowed to redo the NCR building. Farmers State Bank in Hillsboro is the lead bank and they did not have a formal document on file regarding the payment amounts and their auditors are requesting this be done. The document is backed by surplus funds in Tid #3 and the payment amounts can vary each year depending on the Tid calculations and this has been added to the agreement. Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Montemurno to approve the mortgage note modification agreement as presented. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Certified survey map – Rock Avenue LLC (Plan Commission) This map is to prepare for deeding the areas that infringe on their property of outlots 2-5 to the adjacent landowners. Motion by Alderperson Sanwick/second by Alderperson Naxi to approve the certified survey map. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Payment of bills. – Motion by Alderperson Bekkedal/second by Alderperson Koppa to approve the payment of bills on report date 10/06/16 in the amount of \$127,015.50 and additional bills on report date 10/11/2016 for \$53,694.98. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Second Period for Public Comment – Jeff Gohlke thanked the Council for the nice job done on Eckhart Park and the Rotary Stone is now in place. The Rotary Club presented the City with a check for \$1000 to go towards the project expense. Arwyn Wildhack thanked the Council for their public service and asked what the next step would be for their committee and was told the issue will be forwarded to the Public Property Committee and they could also meet with Administrator Severson.

8. Adjournment - Motion made by Alderperson Sanwick/second by Alderperson Polsean to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk