

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 30, 2017**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Marc Polsean, Terry Noble, Mike Bankes, Mike Koppa, John Thompson, Cyndy Hubbard, Jeff Gohlke and Sondra Naxi present. Steve Bekkedal was excused. Also present were City Administrator John Severson, City Clerk Lori Polhamus, Attorney Stephanie Hopkins, Public Works Director Sarah Grainger, Police Chief Daron Jefson, Library Director Trina Erickson and Jenny Cain.

2. Approval of the May 9, 2017 Regular and May 23, 2017 Special Council minutes – Motion by Alderperson Polsean/second by Alderperson Naxi to approve the minutes of the May 9th and May 23rd Council meetings. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment – none

4. Approval of Wild West Days lease (Public Property) – the descriptions of the parcels on the lease are incorrect so this will be fixed. The previous price was at \$65.00 per acre and they are currently using a total of 16.26 acres all together. Motion by Alderperson Thompson/second by Alderperson Bankes to approve \$65.00 per acre for 16.26 acres subject to approval of the final lease agreement. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried. The final lease will be brought back when complete.

5. 2017-2018 Alcohol license renewals (Public Safety) – Motion by Alderperson Polsean/second by Alderperson Gohlke to approve the yearly renewals of the alcohol licenses presented to the Council for the 2017-2018 term. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Operator license approvals (Public Safety) – Motion by Alderperson Naxi/second by Alderperson Koppa to approve the yearly operator license renewals presented to Council for the 2017-2018 term. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Privilege in the Street for driveway connecting to end of Brendel Lane (Public Works) – the property owners will be constructing a driveway in our road right of way. This privilege will allow us to waive liability and can be revoked at any time with 10 day's notice. These were previously done by resolution but was recommended to be done with a recordable document. They will need to provide a \$1,000,000 general liability insurance also. Motion by Alderperson Bankes/second by Alderperson Hubbard to approve the privilege in the street. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

8. Approval of hot tapping bids off Brendel Lane (Public Works) – we received two bids. One from Badger for \$12,000 and one from C&C Landscaping for \$10,795. Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Koppa to approve the bid for C&C Landscaping for \$10,795. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried. They will be starting construction on June 12th.

9. Approval of Change Orders 1 & 2 – Wastewater Treatment Facility contract A (Public Works) – Change order #1 consists mainly of items that were a part of Contract B and have been moved to Contract A due to the delaying of the pipeline build. The overall impact of the change order is an increase of \$7000 due to the need for a better cleanout system for the piping. Change order #2 are the cumulative changes up and down for the project thus far for an overall increase of \$3225.18. Motion by Alderperson Gohlke/second by Alderperson Polsean to approve change orders #1 and #2. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

10. Approval of security camera purchase for McIntosh Memorial Library (Finance) – Erickson stated they would be used in the main entryway and adult areas where they have had some issues and have had to use police presence. WTC cameras do not cover the library inside. Trina received a quote from Vernon Communications for a three-camera system, however it was recommended to purchase the eight-camera system for future upgrades. The total of the system would be \$3150. This is a one-time fee with no monthly maintenance. Cyndy Hubbard stated the Library Board was not unanimous in their decision regarding this and feels that the money could be better spent

on ~~other things~~ solar panels. John Severson stated the funding would have to come from building maintenance. Motion by Alderperson Thompson/second by Alderperson Bankes to approve the purchase of the eight-camera system for \$3150.00. Roll call vote seven in favor, one against. Motion carried. Alderperson Hubbard voted no.

11. Zoning ordinance amendment for conditional uses in R2 district – First Reading (Plan Commission) – Council reviewed the ordinance amendment adding the wording for conditional uses of restaurant or café on non-residential property run by a charitable organization in support of its charitable purpose. Operation of restaurant or café under this section is limited to Monday through Friday between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Alderperson Bankes asked if we are doing this why not open it up to the R1 districts too so they can be in all residential areas. Alderperson Thompson and Bankes feel this doesn't belong in a residential area. Tightening up the ordinance further was discussed as this area is unique. Alderperson Gohlke stated it is an adaptive reuse of property. Alderperson Noble stated historically the zoning changes have been done for specific properties because at the time the ordinance was written we weren't aware of other things that may come up so it was added to accommodate a request. Motion by Alderperson Noble/second by Alderperson Hubbard to approve the first reading of Ordinance 17OR003. Voice vote most in favor with one no vote heard. Motion carried. Alderperson Bankes voting no.

12. Ordinance regulating dogs, cats and other animals – First Reading (Public Safety) – the Council reviewed the ordinance revisions that were presented. Motion by Alderperson Gohlke/second by Alderperson Noble to approve the first reading of ordinance 17OR004. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

13. Payment of bills (Finance) – Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Naxi to approve the payment of bills on report date 05/25/17 in the amount of \$39,274.25 and additional bills on report date 5/30/2017 in the amount of \$9078.13. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

14. Second Period for Public Comment - Jenny Cain thanked the Council for their consideration of the zoning ordinance amendment.

15. Adjournment - Motion made by Alderperson Polsean/second by Alderperson Koppa to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk