

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
April 9, 2013**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Steve Bekkedal, Chuck Steinhoff, Cyndy Hubbard, Mark Rahr, Terry Noble and Jeff Clifton present. Alderpersons Gary Krause, John Thompson, and Marc Polsean were excused. Also present were City Administrator John Severson, City Clerk Lori Polhamus, DPW Steve Clark, Attorney David Jenkins, Police Chief Daron Jefson, Park & Rec Director Dan Stalsberg, Jennifer Wieman, and Tom Wilson.

2. Approval of the March 26, 2013 Regular Council Minutes - Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff/second by Alderperson Rahr to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2013 Council meeting. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment - none

4. Appointment to Board of Review for term 2013-2018 – Valdo Gilman – Motion by Alderperson Clifton/second by Alderperson Steinhoff to approve the appointment of Valdo Gilman to Board of Review for term 2013-2018. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

5. Appointment of Weed Commissioner – Kathy Volden – Motion by Alderperson Steinhoff/second by Alderperson Bekkedal to approve the appointment of Kathy Volden as Weed Commissioner. Alderperson Hubbard asked if it was necessary to have someone drive around looking for issues or if this could be done on an as needed basis. Alderperson Bekkedal stated we need to stay on top of this before it becomes a problem and Alderperson Noble stated he would like to see more diligence in this area. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Vernon County Coon Prairie Trail Governing Board nomination – this item removed from agenda as an appointment of Jeff Clifton had already been made on September 25, 2012 by Council.

7. Update on Well #6 – Public Works Director Steve Clark stated they started drilling last week. On Wednesday, they had 37 feet of casing in the ground. On Thursday, they finished drilling through the Jordan sandstone and reached the Prairie du Chien formation at about 60 feet. At about 67 feet they hit a cavern, the drill sank about three feet and they sucked up a bunch of clay which plugged everything up. They cleaned everything up and added three more casings. They started drilling again yesterday afternoon and it is going good and they are at about 90 feet so far. Everything is going nice and straight now. They talked about cementing in the hole but it was caving in so they cased it another 40 feet instead.

8. Payment of bills. – Motion by Alderperson Rahr/second by Alderperson Steinhoff to approve the payment of bills on report date 04/05/13 in the amount of \$93,168.50 and additional bills report date 04/09/13 in the amount of \$15,503.97. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

9. Second Period for Public Comment – none

10. Adjournment -

Motion made by Alderperson Steinhoff/second by Alderperson Rahr to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk