

**CITY OF VIROQUA
SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 21, 2020**

Roll call:

The special meeting of the Common Council was called to order via zoom meeting #96532955398 at 6:00 p.m. on April 21, 2020 by Mayor Karen Mischel with Alderpersons David Tryggestad, Gregory Splinter, Terry Noble, Tanja Birke, Mike Koppa, Cyndy Hubbard and John Thompson present. Alderpersons Sondra Naxi and Peter Bergquist were excused. Also present were Trina Erickson, Lori Polhamus, Nate Torres, Stephanie Hopkins, Sarah Grainger and Ashley Keenan

Approval of April 14, 2020 Regular Council minutes – Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Birke to approve the minutes from April 14, 2020. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment sine die

Motion by Alderperson Splinter/second by Alderperson Tryggestad to adjourn sine die. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Oath of Office for Newly Elected Officers – Clerk Polhamus administered the Oath of Office to Alderpersons Gregory Splinter, Tanja Birke and Cyndy Hubbard along with Mayor Karen Mischel for the 2020-2022 term. Alderperson Sondra Naxi will be given the oath at a later time. Each member present signed the oath and will return it to the Clerk.

Roll call – Mayor Mischel called roll call with Alderpersons David Tryggestad, Gregory Splinter, Terry Noble, Tanja Birke, Mike Koppa, Cyndy Hubbard and John Thompson. Alderperson Peter Bergquist was excused.

Election of Council President - Motion by Alderperson Tryggestad to nominate Alderperson Terry Noble for Council President/second by Alderperson Hubbard. There were no other nominations. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Council Rules – a set of rules was reviewed by Council with some changes. Motion by Alderperson Noble/second by Alderperson Thompson to change the time of Council under section 76-1(2) to 7:00pm and remove section 76-3(7) regarding motions stated before debate. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Designation of official City newspaper – Motion by Alderperson Birke/second by Alderperson Tryggestad to approve the Vernon County Broadcaster as the official City newspaper. Roll call vote six in favor, one against. Motion carried. Alderperson Splinter voted no.

Designation of depositories for City funds – Motion by Alderperson Birke/second by Alderperson Koppa to approve the following depositories for City funds: Royal Bank, Peoples State Bank, Citizens First Bank, Associated Bank, Westby Coop Credit Union – Viroqua Branch and the Local Government Investment Fund. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor's appointments to Council Committees - The Mayor appointed the following committees:

Finance – Tanja Birke-Chair, Cyndy Hubbard, Terry Noble, Sondra Naxi, Peter Bergquist

Public Works – Gregory Splinter-Chair, Peter Bergquist, John Thompson, Terry Noble, Tanja Birke

Park & Rec – Mike Koppa – Chair, Terry Noble, John Thompson, David Tryggestad, Sondra Naxi

Public Property – Cyndy Hubbard – Chair, Tanja Birke, David Tryggestad, Gregory Splinter, Mike Koppa

Public Safety – John Thompson – Chair, David Tryggestad, Mike Koppa, Gregory Splinter, Cyndy Hubbard

Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Birke to approve the committees. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Period for Public Comment – Ashley Keenan stated that WVRQ would be happy to stream our meetings on their Facebook page for additional coverage.

Adjournment -

Motion made by Alderperson Birke/second by Alderperson Koppa to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk