

**CITY OF VIROQUA
COUNCIL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2021**

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 by Mayor Karen Mischel via online zoom meeting #82966820117 with Alderpersons David Tryggestad, Gregory Splinter, Joseph Ahler, Tanja Birke, Ben Wilson, Cyndy Hubbard, John Thompson (arrived late), Kristal Welter and Steve Willis present. Also present were City Clerk Lori Polhamus, Administrator Nate Torres, Police Chief Rick Niedfeldt, Park & Rec Director Dan Stalsberg, Library Director Trina Erickson, Public Works Director Sarah Grainger, Fire Chief Chad Buros, Deb Tewalt, Steve Thompson, Randy Skinner, Leigha Anders and David Higgins

2. Approval of the October 26, 2021 Regular Council minutes – Motion by Alderperson Welter/second by Alderperson Birke to approve the minutes from the previous Council meeting. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

3. First period for public comment – None

4. Public hearing on proposed 2022 General Fund budget- The public hearing was opened at 7:05pm. Nate Torres reviewed the budget power point with the public and Council and answered questions. The public hearing was closed at 8:02pm.

5. Approval of the 2022 General Fund budget and 2021 tax levy collectible in 2022- Motion by Alderperson Birke/second by Alderperson Wilson to approve the 2022 general fund budget and 2021 tax levy collectible in 2022 of \$2,505,277. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

6. Approval of extraterritorial certified survey map – Bethel Home & Services (Plan Commission) – a motion was made by Alderperson Splinter to send the CSM back to Plan Commission for more information but was rescinded. Motion by Alderperson Birke/second by Alderperson Tryggestad to approve the extraterritorial certified survey map. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

7. Approval of ADCI proposal for review of the Public Works building (Public Works) - tabled

8. Approval of pay request #5 for Brickl Bros – City Hall project- Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Welter to approve pay request #5 for \$198,806.00. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

9. Approval of resolution on bicycle and pedestrian accommodations for West South Street Reconstruction (Public Works) – Motion by Alderperson Splinter/second by Alderperson Wilson to approve resolution 021RS012. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

10. Approval of ordinance establishing City wards based on the 2020 census – second reading – Motion by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Thompson to approve the second reading of Ordinance 21OR005. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

11. Payment of bills (Finance) - Motion by Alderperson Birke/second by Alderperson Welter to approve the payment of bills on report date 11/04/2021 in the amount of \$677,369.75 and additional bills on report date 11/09/2021 for \$92,077.26. Roll call vote all in favor. Motion carried.

12. Second Period for Public Comment – None

13. Adjournment - Motion made by Alderperson Hubbard/second by Alderperson Birke to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Lori Polhamus, City Clerk