

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL – February 25, 2020

A meeting of the City of Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 7:02 P.M. in City Hall. Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order.

ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

1. Call to order/Roll Call – all present.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda – Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Thornton

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. COUNCIL – February 4, 2020
- B. PERSONNEL – January 21, 2020
- C. PUBLIC WORKS – February 4, 2020
- D. PARK BOARD – December 18, 2019
- E. Saint Patrick's Day Parade PDC Chamber of Commerce – March 14, 2020
- F. Shamrock Shuffle – March 14, 2020
- G. Big Rivers Long Rifles & PDC Fire Association for the Prairie Villa Rendezvous and Flea Market on June 14th-22nd,2020 at St Feriole Island.
- H. Jeremy Cuff - Music Strikes Back on June 26th-27th, 2020 at St Feriole Island.
- I. Todd Yeomans to have Blues Fest on July 24th-25th,2020 at St Feriole Island.
- J. Mike Rider's request to have Villa Louis Carriage Classic from September 3rd-14th, 2020 at St Feriole Island.

K. OPERATOR LICENSE

(Note: These items may be approved on a single motion and vote due to their routine nature or previous discussion. Please indicate to the Mayor if you would prefer separate discussion and action.) – Action: To pull the operator license and approve the remainder of the consent agenda. – Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0. Riebe left at 7:04 P.M.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – To approve the operator licenses. Motion: Bremmer, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 7-0. Riebe returned at 7:05 P.M.

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: RESOLUTION 2020-05 INITIAL RESOLUTION VACATING THE ALLEY RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN 1ST STREET AND MAIN STREET, PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS, PART OF FARM LOT 35, IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN. – Action: To approve Resolution 2020-05 vacating the alley running east and west between 1<sup>st</sup> and Main Street and waive the reading. Motion: Riebe, Second: Wittrig, Vote: 8-0.

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: RESOLUTION 2020-06 SETTING TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING ON RESOLUTION VACATING THE ALLEY RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN 1ST STREET AND MAIN STREET, PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS, PART OF FARM LOT 35 IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN. – Action: To approve Resolution 2020-06 to set the public hearing for April 14<sup>th</sup> and waive the reading. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.

C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: RESOLUTION 2020-07 INITIAL RESOLUTION VACATING THE ALLEY RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN 1ST STREET AND BEAUMONT ROAD, BLOCK 184, LOWER P.D.C ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN. – Action: To approve Resolution 2020-07 vacating the alley between 1<sup>st</sup> and Beaumont Road and waive the reading. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Solomon, Vote: 8-0.

D. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: RESOLUTION 2020-08 SETTING TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING ON RESOLUTION VACATING THE ALLEY RUNNING EAST AND WEST BETWEEN 1ST STREET AND BEAUMONT ROAD, BLOCK 184, LOWER P.D.C. ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN. – Action: To approve Resolution 2020-08 to set the public hearing fr April 14<sup>th</sup> an waive the reading. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.

8. CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT – City Administrator Chad Abram introduced Fire Chief Tad Beutin to the council and general public. Chief Beutin spoke to the council on his first two weeks and some things he is currently working on. City Administrator Abram reminded the public of the annual Kiwanis Chili and Chicken Noodle Supper on Monday, March 2 at Bluffview School. Abram invited young business advocates to attend a work session sponsored by Driftless/PDC Main Street and reminded public of Eagle Day activities this weekend in Prairie du Chien.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. FINANCE

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: CLAIMS – Action: To approve the claims. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Solomon, Vote: 8-0.

2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: A request from the Prairie du Chien Fire Chief and Prairie du Chien Fire Association for passes to Hoffman Hall and Charles Wacouta Aquatic Park for active volunteer Firefighters. See memo from Chief Beutin. – Action: To approve the request for Prairie du Chien Fire Department active members to use Hoffman Hall and Outdoor Pool. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Myers, Vote: 7-0-1, Riebe abstained.

10. NEW BUSINESS (Including items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment)

11. ADJOURN to closed session (7:17 P.M.)- Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.

A. Under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance data of any public employee over whom the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Re- Fire Chief

12. CONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION (7:24 P.M.) – Motion: Copus, Second: Wittrig, Vote: 8-0.

13. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION – To direct City Administrator to draft employment agreement with Chief Tad Beutin for 2 weeks of paid vacation. Motion: Bremmer, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 8-0.

14. ADJOURN (7:26 P.M.) – Motion: Thornton, Second: Copus, Vote: 8-0.

Submitted by  
Chad Abram, City Administrator