

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL – April 9, 2019

A special meeting of the City of Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7:00P.M. in City Hall. Council Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order.

ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Jones absent.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda – Motion: Gilberts, Second: Solomon, Vote: 7-0.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – led by members of the Prairie du Chien Fire Department

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. PUBLIC HEARING – Finding of No Public Need

The sale of the following property is being proposed: Parcel 1 – Lot 4, Block 1, of the Commissioner's Plat, City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin. The public hearing was opened at 7:01 P.M. by Mayor Dave Hemmer. There were not comments and the public hearing was closed at 7:03 P.M.

B. ACTION on aforesaid agenda items –

1. To find no public need – Motion: Hayes-Hall, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 7-0
2. To sell the property – Motion: Thornton, Second: Solomon, Vote: 7-0
3. To not order new appraisal – Motion: Solomon, Second: Thornton, Vote: 7-0
4. To offer property to interested party for \$1,500.00 – Motion: Solomon, Second: Myers, Vote: 7-0.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. COUNCIL – March 19, 28, 2019
- B. FINANCE – March 19, 2019
- C. PUBLIC WORKS – March 19, 2019
- D. POLICE AND FIRE – March 6, 15, 2019
- E. PERSONNEL – December 18, 2018
- F. LARIVIERE PARK BOARD – January 16, 2019
- G. OPERATOR LICENSES

(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 approve the consent agenda. Motion: Bremmer: Second: Thornton, Vote: 7-0.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Resolution 2019-02 TERMINATION OF TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT (TID) #4 AND AUTHORIZING TREASURER TO DISTRIBUTE EXCESS INCREMENT TO OVERLYING TAXING DISTRICTS. – Action: To approve Resolution 2019-02 and pay out the taxing districts. Motion: Hayes-Hall, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 7-0.
- B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: RESOLUTION 2019-03 EXTENDING THE LIFE OF TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT (TID) #4 FOR TWELVE (12) MONTHS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE CREATION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND IMPROVING CITY HOUSING STOCK IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN. – No Action.
- C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Resolution 2019-04 COMMENDING THE SERVICE OF EDWARD HAYES-HALL ON THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN. – Action: To approve Resolution 2019-04 and read it out loud. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Solomon, Vote: 7-0.
- D. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: RESOLUTION 2019-05 HONORING JOHN YAGER FOR FIFTY FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PRAIRIE DU FIRE DEPARTMENT. – Action: To approve Resolution 2019-05 and read it out loud. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 7-0.
- E. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Room Tax report for 2019. Robert Moses will be providing a review on Room Tax in 2018. Please see memo from Administrator Chad Abram as well as information for Robert Moses. – Robert Moses gave his report and no action was taken.
8. CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT – Administrator Abram reminded the general public that St. Feriole Island will remain closed until the Mississippi River falls below 19.0 and is deemed safe for vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Further he informed the public on upcoming street closures due the construction of the new Casey Store being constructed on Marquette Road.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

- A. FINANCE

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: CLAIMS – Action: To approve the claims. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Hayes-Hall, Vote: 7-0.
- B. AIRPORT COMMISSION
 1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - on the City of Prairie du Chien acquisition from Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital Association, Inc. of airport clear zone and avigation easements on parcels described as Airport Parcel # 17 and Airport Parcel #20. – Action: To approve acquisition of airport clear zone for Crossing Rivers to construct a private drive off of the highway. Motion: Hayes-Hall, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 7-0.
 2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION –BOA program for the airport, funds remaining in project and entitlement summary for the airport. – No action.
- C. PERSONNEL
 1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: SER-Jobs for Progress, INC. Staff are seeking utilizing of SER for additional help in City Hall. See memo in the packet. – Action: To move forward with SER to hire 2 personnel to assist at City Hall. Motion: Solomon, Second: Thornton, Vote: 6-0-1. Hayes-Hall abstained.
10. NEW BUSINESS (Including items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment) - None
11. ADJOURNMENT (8:19 P.M.) – Motion: Hayes-Hall, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 7-0.

Submitted by Chad Abram, City Administrator