

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL – June 16, 2020

A meeting of the City of Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday, June 16, 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 – Gilberts, Solomon, Bremmer, Riebe, Copus, Wittrig and Myers present and Rogers via ZOOM at 7:14 P.M. City Staff present Mayor Hemmer, Park and Recreation Mike Ulrich, Chief Teynor and City Administrator Abram. City Attorney Czjakowski and City Planer Frable via ZOOM.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda Motion: Bremmer, Second: Solomon, Vote: 7-0.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – led by Copus

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. COUNCIL – June 2, 2020
- B. FINANCE – June 2, 2020
- C. PERSONNEL – June 2, 2020
- D. PLAN COMMISSION – March 9, 2020
- E. 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 operator license and approve the rest. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Copus, Vote: 8-0. Riebe left at 7:04 P.M.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – To approve the operator license. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Copus, Vote: 8-0. Riebe returned at 7:05 P.M.

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Johnson and Block will present the 2019 Audit for the City of Prairie du Chien. – Action: To approve and accept the audit as presented. Motion: Bremmer, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 8-0

8. CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT – Administrator Abram informed council that he and Clerk-Treasurer Fuller will be presenting the surplus at Finance and Council on July, 21. Abram then added a sincere thank you to the men and women of the Prairie du Chien Police Department for the continued efforts of professionalism, properly equipped and trained and community focused. Abram added the police department still honors the core values that were established during his tenure as Chief of Police.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. FINANCE

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: CLAIMS – Action: To approve the claims. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.
2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: on Professional Services Agreement with Vierbicher Associates Inc for the purpose of preparing and submitting a harbor improvement grant. – Action: To approve the PSA with Vierbicher Associates for preparing the harbor improvement grant. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.

B. PERSONNEL

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: License Renewals – A list of the license applicants is included in the packet. – Class A Retail Fermented Malt Beverage, Class A Retail Liquor, Class A Liquor (Cider Only) Class B Fermented Malt Beverage, Class B Intoxicating Liquor, Cigarette and Tobacco Products Retail Licenses, Dance Licenses, Transient Room Permit, and Amusement Devices. – Riebe left prior to action at 8:32 P.M. Action: To approve the all the license renewals. Motion: Solomon, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 7-0. Riebe returned at 8:33 P.M.

C. PLAN COMMISSION

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: On Extraterritorial Plat Review for parcel located in the NE1/4 of the SE1/4, Section 4, T6N, R6W, Town of Bridgeport, Crawford County, Wisconsin. Also being Lot 1 of Crawford County Certified Survey Map Number 674, recorded in Volume 5 of CSM's, Page 80A-80B, Document Number 243102. – Action: To approve the map. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Myers, Vote: 8-0.
 2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: On Extraterritorial Plat Review for parcel located in the NE1/4 of the SE1/4, Section 4, T6N, R6W, Town of Bridgeport, Crawford County, Wisconsin. – Action: To approve the map. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Myers, Vote: 8-0.
10. NEW BUSINESS (Including items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment)
- A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Concerts in the Park – Action: To allow concerts in the park contingent on staying within the guidelines presented. Motion: Solomon, Second: Copus, Vote: 8-0.
 - B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Public Restrooms and water connection for watering flowers. – Action: Open watering spickets and keep bubblers closed open all city owned bathrooms except for the pool and provide a porta-jon for the historical society. Motion: Riebe, Second: Gilberts, Vote: 8-0.
 - C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: 2020 Prairie Blues Fest July 24-25. – Action: Motion to continue with Blues Fest on July 24-25. Motion: Riebe, Second: Bremmer. Vote: 3-5, motion denied. An additional motion was presented based on legal counsel recommendation. – Motion: To withdrawal the approval for Blues Fest for Todd Yeomans and refund fees paid. Motion: Copus, Second: Solomon, Vote: 5-3. Riebe, Wittrig, Bremmer opposed.
 - D. DISCUSSION AND CTION: Reopening of City Hall. Staff is seeking structural changes to the inside of city hall for public health and safety reasons. – Action: To approve structural changes if needed for safety of staff and COVID safety. Motion: Gilberts, Second: Bremmer, Vote: 8-0.
11. ADJOURN (8:54 P.M.) – Motion: Copus, Second: Solomon, Vote: 8-0.

Chad Abram, City Administrator