

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL November 19, 2024

A meeting of the Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 7:00 P. M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

GENERAL ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON

1. Call to order/Roll Call –All present, Riebe on Zoom. City Staff present, Mayor Dave Hemmer, Police Chief Kyle Teynor, Street Superintendent Nick Gilberts, Utility Director Larry Gates and City Administrator Chad Abram
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda. Motion: Bremmer, Second: Ingham, Roll Call Vote: 8-0
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Nick Crary

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. COMMON COUNCIL – November 12, 2024
- B. FINANCE – November 12 and 14, 2024
- C. AIRPORT COMMISSION – September 18, 2024
- D. PLAN COMMISSION – October 7, 2024
- E. REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – November 27, 2023

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: Ingham, Second: Ringgold, Voice Vote: 8-0.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

8. CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

- The Finance Committee approved the 2025 budget and it has been sent to paper for publishing.
- MI Meats Site improvement s along with Hayden was asphalted and nearing completion.
- Compost site will remain open through the end of November and into December as long as there is not snow. A reminder that the brush site is now closed for the year.
- Starting the week of November 18, 2024, the Prairie du Chien Street Department will start to remove certain areas and structures at the Fort Fun Playground. These are being removed due to safety concerns due to deteriorating wood. This playground is 27 years old, and the Prairie du Chien Parks and Recreation Department is starting the process of planning a redo/remodel of the playground. We will be starting fundraising efforts in the future for an all-abilities playground. Please stay tuned for more information.
- Public works (streets) got sand and salt mixed today for winter roads. Sanders are starting to get installed on the trucks and plows being checked over.
- Firemen's Christmas trees will go on sale Saturday, November 23.
- Prairie du Chien Chamber of Commerce Holiday Parade will be on Friday, December 6th with Jingle Mingle to follow sponsored by Driftless Main Street.
- City Hall will be closed next Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Good luck and stay safe to all area deer hunters.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

A. FINANCE

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Claims – Action: To approve the claims. Motion: Waller, Second: Bremmer, Voice Vote: 8-0.
2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Approval of bids for outfitting new dump truck. The purchase of the truck will be part of future borrowing in 2025. The initial resolution for the purchases has been approved by the Common Council in 2023. – Action: To approve the bid with the additional options for \$139,796 for outfitting the new dump truck at Universal truck Center. Motion: Waller, Second: Crary, Roll Call Vote: 8-0.

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

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Engineering Services Contract with Delta 3 for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade – Facility Plan. – Action To approve the Engineering Services Contract with Delta 3 for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade\$32,500.00. Motion: Ingham, Second: Waller, Roll Call Vote: 8-0.

11. OLD BUSINESS- None

12. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION (7:13 P.M.) – Motion: Ingham, Second: Crary, Roll Call Vote: 8-0.

A. Under Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1) (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. – R.E. Development Agreement TID 8

13. CONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION (7:19 P.M.) – Motion: Crary, Second: Ingham, Roll Call Vote: 8-0.

14. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION – Action: To approve and authorize the City Attorney and City Administrator to execute and sign the development agreement with Pizza ranch LLC and proceed to close on the property. Motion: Bremmer, Second: Ingham, Voice Vote: 8-0.

15. ADJOURN (7:20 P.M.) – Motion: Ingham, Second: Granzow, Voice Vote: 8-0.

Chad Abram, City Administrator