

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL January 7, 2025

A meeting of the Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 7:04 P. M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

GENERAL ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Ingham absent. City Staff present, Mayor Dave Hemmer, Police Chief Kyle Teynor, and City Administrator Chad Abram.
2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda. Motion: Bremmer, Second: Crary, Roll Call Vote: 7-0
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Jaaren Riebe

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. COMMON COUNCIL – December 17, 2024
- B. FINANCE – December 17, 2024
- C. PUBLIC WORKS – November 12, 2024

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: Bowar, Second: Waller, Voice Vote: 7-0.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS – Lydia Thies spoke to the council on working on ideas for getting residents to move into Prairie du Chien and attend the school district. Alderman Crary stated this is a main part of the new Comprehensive Plan the City is working on. Joe Atkins asked about the VRBO situation. Alderman Riebe informed him we are constantly working on this but at the same time it is hard to govern what people want to do with their homes.

8. CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

- **Christmas lights have been taken down by Public Works, thank you for beautifying Christmas.**
- **Public Works Staff is out trimming any tree branches that are hanging above the streets less than 15 feet, per city ordinance. The is to keep branches from hitting the plow trucks, garbage trucks, and school buses.**
- **The skating rinks have been flooded but are not ready for people to use them yet please assist by staying off until plenty of ice has been formed.**
- **Hoffman Hall had another great kids night out this past Friday, stay tuned for additional events.**
- **Please watch for the Fort Fun survey and please complete it when you have time.**
- **Youth soccer starts this weekend at Hoffman Hall.**
- **I would like to thank the Prairie du Chien Fire Department for the response for the house fire on Sunday during the Packers game. Everyone on the department responded and did excellent job fighting the fire while keeping others and themselves safe, great job.**
- **Two new Police Officers will begin their police academy at SWTC next Monday. We look forward to their work over the next 5 months and when they can start field Training on May 15th.**

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTION

A. FINANCE

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Claims – Action: To approve the claims. Motion: Waller, Second: Crary, Voice Vote: 7-0.

B. PLAN COMMISSION

1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: on Plat Review for parcel Located in Parcel No. 1 of Certified Survey Map No. 740 in Farm Lot 23 of the Private Land Claims at Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin. – brought by Debrad, Inc & Astec, Inc. – Action: To approve the Plan Commission recommendation for the land swap. Motion: Riebe, Second: Waller, Voice Vote: 7-0.

2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: on Plat Review for parcel Located in Farm Lot 32, of the Private Land Claims at Prairie du Chien, City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin, also Being Lot 5, Crawford County Certified Survey Map Number 1554, Recorded on Volume 13, C.S.M's, Pages 95-95C, Document #352445, City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin – brought by Redevelopment Authority. – Action: To approve the Plan Commission recommendation for the CSM for Pizza Ranch. Motion: Riebe, Second: Ringgold, Voice Vote: 7-0.

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

11. ADJOURN (7:19 P.M.) – Motion: Bremmer, Second, Crary, Voice Vote: 7-0.

Chad Abram, City Administrator