

MAY 11, 2004

1. Roll call:

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons Roger Hatlem, David Tryggestad, Gail Frie, John Bjerke, Robert Suhr, Marc Polsean, Vernie Smith, Terry Noble, and Weston Mack present. Also present were City Clerk Jodi Garibaldi, City Attorney David Jenkins, City Consultant Jeff Gohlke, Police Chief Mark Rahr, Fire Chief Steve Skrede, WVRQ, Broadcaster, and Bill Moffit.

2. Approval of the minutes of the April 27th Regular Meeting of the Common Council:

Motion made by Alderman Hatlem to approve the minutes of the April 27th Regular Meeting of the Common Council as is, seconded by Alderman Frie. All ayes, motion carries.

3. Approval of the minutes of the April 20th Regular Meeting of the Common Council:

Motion made by Alderman Frie to approve the minutes of the April 20th Regular Meeting of the Common Council with stated corrections, seconded by Alderman Suhr. All ayes, motion carries.

4. First period for public comment:

No public comment.

5. Public Works Committee recommendation on Xcel Energy quote for power to new well:

Aldersperson Suhr states that the Public Works Committee recommends the quote from Xcel Energy of \$5,902.80 for power to the new well. Motion made by Aldersperson Frie to approve the Xcel Energy quote, seconded by Aldersperson Polsean. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carries.

6. Purchase of skid steer:

Aldersperson Suhr states that the Public Works Committee recommends the purchase of a skid steer for \$1,400.00 to maintain yearly replacement warranty agreement. Motion made by Aldersperson Suhr to approve the purchase of the skid steer for \$1,400.00, seconded by Aldersperson Mack. Roll call vote with 1 nay vote cast by Aldersperson Smith. Motion carries.

7. Ordinance regarding Fire Department Revenues (Ordinance No. 555):

City Consultant Jeff Gohlke read Ordinance 555 aloud. Motion made by Aldersperson Mack to approve Ordinance 555, seconded by Aldersperson Suhr. All ayes. Motion carries.

8. Ordinance regarding stop sign (second reading) (Ordinance No. 554):

Motion made by Aldersperson Frie to approve Ordinance 554, seconded by Aldersperson Smith. All ayes. Motion carries.

9. Ordinance regarding City Pool/Outdoor Aquatic Facility:

The ordinance was changed to a resolution. Aldersperson Frie states that the concept of the outdoor aquatic facility needs to be approved even though a monetary contribution cannot be made at this time and the City Council should actively support the concept of Resolution 853. Motion made by Aldersperson Frie to approve Resolution 853 seconded by Aldersperson Mack. Roll call vote with 1 nay vote cast by Aldersperson Smith. Motion carries.

10. Mayoral recommendation to Housing Authority:

Mayor Fanta recommends Carol Sloane to the Viroqua Housing Authority. Motion made by Aldersperson Hatlem to approve Carol Sloane to the Viroqua Housing Authority, seconded by Aldersperson Tryggestad. Roll call vote with 1 nay vote cast by Aldersperson Smith. Motion carries.

11. Sanwick request for rezoning:

Jeff and Cheryl Sanwick request property rezoning on East Highway 56. Motion made by Alderperson Smith to refer the rezoning issue to the Plan Board, seconded by Alderperson Frie. All ayes. Motion carries.

12. Park Bowl field sign design:

Alderperson Noble presented a design for the City Park Bowl field sign. Motion made by Alderperson Hatlem to approve the design, seconded by Alderperson Bjerke. All ayes. Motion carries.

14. City letterhead design:

City clerk Garibaldi and Alderperson Noble presented new City of Viroqua letterhead designs. Issue tabled until May 25, 2004.

15. Payment of Bills:

Motion made by Alderperson Frie to pay bills, seconded by Alderperson Suhr. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carries.

15. Reports and comments by Alderpersons, Mayor, or City Officers (including Department heads):

Alderperson Suhr reports that the Public Works Committee approved the purchase of new doors at a cost of \$2,905.00 and the hiring of one college student for summer-time at \$7.50/hour (\$3,500.00 for 3 months).

Mayor Fanta states that he has gotten 2 complaints about the new stop signs on Oak and Hickory streets.

Alderperson Suhr has an update on Library. Library requests that mowing be done at the Library/Peterson property on South Main Street. Library Board would take care of mowing. Personnel policy to be acted on the last meeting. New pavement policy.

City Clerk Garibaldi thanks Alderperson Noble for his letterhead and banner sign designs.

Alderperson Smith states that the Comprehensive Planning Commission meeting will be May 13th, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. located at Viroqua City Hall and a cluster meeting is scheduled at Viroqua Town Hall on May 18, 2004.

Mayor Fanta thanks all employees for their contribution to the Bush Campaign convoy. A special thanks to Mark Rahr and the City Police Department.

16. Second Period for public comment.

No public comment.

17. Adjournment:

Motion made by Alderman Mack to adjourn the council meeting until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 25th, 2004, seconded by Alderman Noble. All ayes. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Jodi L. Garibaldi
City Clerk