

**OCTOBER 12, 2004**

**1. Roll call:**

The regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Larry Fanta with Alderpersons David Tryggstad, Gail Frie, John Bjerke, Robert Suhr, Marc Polsean, Vernie Smith, Wes Mack, and Terry Noble present. Alderperson Roger Hatlem was absent. Also present were City Clerk Jodi Garibaldi, City Attorney David Jenkins, City Consultant Jeff Gohlke, Police Chief Mark Rahr, Director of Public Works Thomas Henry, Bill Moffit, Steve Campbell and Nate Hanson of the Viroqua Jaycees, Cyndi Ackerman of Vernon County Emergency Management, Todd Shea of National Weather Service, Sean Lentz of Ehlers and Associates, and Broadcaster.

**2. Approval of the minutes of the September 28<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Common Council:**

Motion made by Alderperson Frie to approve the minutes of the September 28<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Common Council as submitted, seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All ayes; motion carries.

**3. First period for public comment:**

No public comment.

**4. Resolution authorizing the sale of approximately \$3,210,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds (04RS020):**

Sean Lentz of Ehlers and Associates describes supporting documents and the process of refunding the general obligation corporate bond. Nine bids were received with Bankers Bank being the top bidder, in conjunction with the State Bank of Viroqua. Motion made by Alderperson Mack to approve Resolution 04RS020, a resolution authorizing the sale of approximately \$3,175,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, seconded by Alderperson Polsean. Roll call, 8 ayes, 0 nay; motion carries.

**5. Resolution amending, describing and making certain findings and approving Project Plan Amendment for Tax Increment District # 3 (04RS021):**

Sean Lentz from Ehlers and Associates describes the supporting documents and the amendment to Tax Increment District No. 3. Motion made by Alderperson Frie approve Resolution 04RS021, a resolution amending, describing and making certain findings and approving Project Plan Amendment for Tax Increment District No. 3, seconded by Alderperson Suhr. Roll call, 8 ayes, 0 nay; motion carries.

**6. Vernon County Emergency Management Director and National Weather Official to discuss storm ready community designation:**

Todd Shea of the National Weather Service and Cindy Ackerman of Vernon County Emergency Management explains the "Storm Ready" and "Is your Community Ready When the Weather Changes?" pamphlets. Mr. Shea presents the City of Viroqua with Storm Ready signs to be posted on city limits on main city highways and a Storm Ready Certificate.

**7. Ordinance creating tourism committee regarding room tax (04OR007):**

The ordinance would create a tourism committee consisting of seven members. Motion made by Alderperson Smith to approve Ordinance 04OR007, an ordinance creating tourism committee regarding room tax, seconded by Alderperson Noble. All ayes; motion carries.

**8. City Land Leases:**

Public Property Committee recommends that the current land leases of Al and Judy Christianson, Joe Vesbach, Thomas and Cameron Selin be extended five more years at \$70.00 per acre. Motion made by Alderperson Bjerke to extend the city land leases of Al and Judy Christianson, Joe Vesbach, Thomas and Cameron Selin for five years at \$70.00 per acre, seconded by Alderperson Tryggstad. Roll call, 8 ayes, 0 nay; motion carries.

**9. Jaycees liquor license for July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2005 celebration on fairgrounds midway:**

Steve Campbell of the Viroqua Jaycees explains the supporting documentation, "Proposal for 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration" given to the council members by the Viroqua Jaycees. Motion made by Alderperson Polsean to refer the Viroqua Jaycees liquor license request to the Public Safety Committee, seconded by Alderperson Mack. All ayes; motion carries.

**10. Alcohol licenses:**

The Public Safety Committee recommends the approval of an alcohol operator license for Linda Volden. Motion made by Alderperson Mack to approve the alcohol operator license for Linda Volden, seconded by Alderperson Tryggstad. All ayes; motion carries.

**11. Member appointment to municipal court committee:**

Mayor Fanta recommends Robert Suhr and Vernie Smith be appointed to the Municipal Court Committee. The City of Westby and the Village of La Farge will each appoint one member to the Municipal Court Committee. Motion made by Alderperson Frie to approve the appointment of Robert Suhr and Vernie Smith to the Municipal Court Committee, seconded by Alderperson Mack. All ayes; motion carries.

**12. Resignation of Public Works employee:**

Mayor Fanta explains that Wade Vikemyr is moving and has submitted his resignation with his last day of employment being October 15, 2004. Motion made by Alderperson Suhr to approve Wade Vikemyr's resignation, seconded by Alderperson Polsean. All ayes; motion carries.

**13. Payment of Bills:**

Motion made by Alderperson Frie to pay bills as recommended by the Finance Committee, seconded by Alderperson Mack. Roll call vote, 8 ayes, 0 nay; motion carries.

**14. Second Period for public comment:**

No public comment.

**15. Adjourn:**

Motion made by Alderman Suhr to adjourn the council meeting until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 26, 2004, seconded by Alderman Tryggstad. All ayes; motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Jodi L. Garibaldi  
City Clerk