



## CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN

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### MEETING NOTICE – COMMON COUNCIL

**Tuesday December 6th 2011 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers – City Hall**

Notice is hereby given according to State Statutes that the **COMMON COUNCIL** of the City of Prairie du Chien will meet on **Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

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**PROOF OF POSTING AFFIDAVIT:** This agenda was posted more than 24 hours prior to the start of this meeting as follows: City Hall, 214 E. Blackhawk Avenue (kiosk) - Library, 125 S. Wacouta Avenue - U.S. Post Office, 120 S. Beaumont Rd. - Mailed & emailed to Members - News media as requested – emailed:

By \_\_\_\_\_

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator - Date: December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2011

#### **ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AND ACTED UPON:**

\* **Call to order/Roll Call.**

\* **Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda**

\* **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. PUBLIC HEARING – Proposed 2012 Budget

B. ACTION on aforesaid agenda item

C. PRESENTATION – Relocation of the Thompson Dredge to Prairie du Chien (NOTE: Dale Klemme will address the Council on the initiative underway to relocate the dredge to St. Feriole Island.)

D. ACTION on aforesaid agenda item

1. RESOLUTION 2011-38 (TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS TO RELOCATE THE THOMPSON DREDGE TO PRAIRIE DU CHIEN)

#### **II. CONSENT AGENDA**

(The following items may be approved on a single motion and vote due to their routine nature or previous discussion. Please indicate to the Mayor/Council President if you would prefer separate discussion and action.)

A. COUNCIL MINUTES – November 15th 2011

B. FINANCE COMMITTEE – November 15<sup>th</sup> 2011

C. FINANCE COMMITTEE – November 29<sup>th</sup> 2011

D. POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION – September 9<sup>th</sup> 2011

E. PARK BOARD – October 19<sup>th</sup> 2011

F. HOFFMAN HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE – November 8<sup>th</sup> 2011

G. OPERATORS LICENSES

H. ELECTION WORKERS FOR 2012

#### **III. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **IV. CITY ADMININSTRATOR'S REPORT**

#### **V. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS, PETITIONS, AND PUBLIC INPUT**

(Please limit comments to no more than three minutes)

#### **VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS**

A. FINANCE – Claims

B. FINANCE – Resolution 2011-36 (TO ESTABLISH FUND BALANCE POLICIES AS REQUIRED BY GASB 54) (NOTE: This resolution is needed to keep out audits compliant with the new GASB regulations.)

C. FINANCE – Amended 2011 Budget (NOTE: The Committee met earlier tonight to act on the second version of the amended 2011 budget.)

D. FINANCE - Resolution 2011-37 (WRITING OFF UNCOLLECTIBLE ACOUNTS RECEIVABLES)

E. FINANCE - Creation of Special Room Tax Fund (NOTE: The City Administrator has included a memo on the proposed change in collecting and disbursing the room tax proceeds.)

F. PARK BOARD - Request for Jaycees Flea Market (June 11-18, 2012) on St. Feriole Island-Tara Marx

G. PARK BOARD - Request for Bluesfest (July 25, 2012) on St. Feriole Island- Todd Yeomans

H. PARK BOARD - Request for Carp Fest at various city locations during the month of December - Tom Nelson

I. PARK BOARD - Approval of St. Feriole Island Gardens to request donations for weddings - Tom Nelson

#### **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Contract between City and Community Development Alternatives (CDA) regarding relocation of homes on Marquette Road (NOTE: As the state and city begin acquiring home along Marquette Road for the 2014 project, there is an opportunity to relocate some of the homes to locations around the city, versus destroying them. CDA has requested to be the agency to relocate and re-sell these homes. This item was tabled at the last Council meeting.)

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Request by Wisconsin & Southern Railroad (WSOR), in conjunction with UFP Ventures II, requests use of real estate parcels 0747-0002 and 0746-0002, owned by the City of Prairie du Chien, as a temporary site for loading railcars and staging materials (NOTE: At the last Council meeting, terms for a proposed agreement were agreed to by the Council. Those terms have not all been accepted by WSOR. The City Administrator will provide an update and proposed amendments to the terms previously discussed and ratified.)

C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Reducing the Size of the Common Council (NOTE: At the August 16<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, Alderwoman Hein made a motion to reduce the size of the council, but that motion died for a lack of a second. Alderman Riebe, who was not present at that August meeting, has asked for the item to be placed back on the agenda for discussion and action.)

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS (Including items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment)**

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Approval of contract between the City and HSR (NOTE: This contact would initiate the first phase of the Hoffman Hall renovation.)

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Approval of grant from DNR for Washington Park (NOTE: In October, the DNR Stewardship program approved an \$83,849 grant for the park.)

C. DISCUSSION - Items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment

D. CLOSED SESSION under Wisconsin State Statute 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.

RE: Possible sale of city property

Under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

RE: Possible legal action involving employee discipline

E. RECONVENE into open session

F. ACTION from closed session

## **IX. ADJOURN**

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator