

CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN

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Notice is hereby given according to State Statutes that the **COMMON COUNCIL** of the City of Prairie du Chien will meet on **Wednesday June 6th 2012 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers of City Hall

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By _____
Aaron Kramer, City Administrator – June 1st 2012

MEETING NOTICE – COMMON COUNCIL

Wednesday June 6th 2012 – 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers – City Hall

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. HEARING – Appeal of Operator’s License Denial (NOTE: On April 4th, the Council denied the Operator’s License application of Emelie McKenzie. On May 11th, she filed a request to appeal the decision. Under Ordinance 12.02 (6) (g), “(i)f the Police Chief, or his designee, recommends denial of an operator’s license application, the applicant has the right to file an appeal with the City Clerk within forty-five (45) days and appear and be represented before the Common Council, to be heard, to present evidence in favor of the granting of the license, and to rebut the evidence presented in opposition to the granting of the license, at a hearing held within forty (40) days of the filing of such appeal.”)

B. ACTION on aforesaid agenda item

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 – May 15th 2012
- B. COUNCIL MINUTES (SPECIAL) – May 30th 2012
- C. FINANCE COMMITTEE – May 15th 2012
- D. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – April 25th 2012
- E. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – May 16th 2012
- F. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – April 30th 2012
- G. HOFFMAN HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE – May 15th 2012
- H. POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION – May 1st 2012
- I. PARK BOARD – March 21st 2012
- J. PARK BOARD - Fire Department Street Dance and Chicken-Q (NOTE: This event will be held July 14th on St. Feriole Island.)
- K. MONTHLY REPORT – Fire Department
- L. OPERATORS LICENSES

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 - Proposed sale of Prairie Street Fire Station (NOTE: Under this proposal, the City would sell the station to the Redevelopment Authority (RDA), and the RDA would then creatively redevelop the site without the need and pressure to market and sell the property to a future user immediately, and potentially to support the radio station relocation. The City generates capital from the sale to the RDA that in turn could be utilized for the new Water Department building the need for which is the result of the Fire Department's aerial truck and desire to consolidate sites.)

1. Authorization for RDA to proceed with blight determination
2. Refer sale of property to RDA to City Plan Commission

C. FINANCE - Policy 2012-05 (USE OF FUNDS COLLECTED FROM SALE OF PARK BENCHES, TRASH RECEPTACLES, STREET LIGHTS AND OTHER AMENITIES ALONG THE HIGHWAY 18-60 BYPASS) (NOTE: This policy is the result of the recently-proposed plan to “sell” the amenities along the bypass, and would establish a procedure for the disbursement of any collected funds. The Committee approved the Policy at its May 15th meeting.)

D. PUBLIC WORKS – Policy 2012-04 (Sidewalk Criteria) (NOTE: This Policy would establish a “rating” system for determining where sidewalks are installed in the future.)

E. PUBLIC WORKS – Ordinance 2012-09 (RE-CREATING SECTION 8.09 (5) (SIDEWALKS) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) (NOTE: This ordinance would change the current special assessment practices of the City – the current formula of assessing 75 percent of costs to the property owner would be changed to 50 percent, the annual interest rate will be set at two percentage points above the Wall Street Journal Prime Rate at the time the special assessments are levied by the Common Council, and when a new sidewalk is constructed in an established or existing commercial or residential neighborhood on one side of a public street, the special assessment shall be divided equally between the property owners on both sides of the public street, as computed on a lineal frontage basis.)

F. PUBLIC WORKS – Ordinance 2012-10 (CREATING SECTION 7.43 (NO PARKING ON A PORTION OF BLACKHAWK AVENUE) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) (NOTE: This ordinance would create a no-parking zone on the north side of Blackhawk Avenue, from the most easterly driveway of Blackhawk Apartments, then east 240 feet.)

G. PUBLIC WORKS - 2012-2013 Capital Projects - Overview Court (NOTE: On May 16th the Committee approved the following motion: To amend the Capital Budget to direct the funds originally earmarked for the work on 14th Street from Brunson to Fowler to the proposed work on Overview from Rice to Glenn Streets, including sanitary sewer and storm water, and expanding to include milling and overlaying Glenn from Beaumont to 1st Streets.)

H. PUBLIC WORKS - 2012 Sealcoating (NOTE: On May 16th, the Committee approved bidding out the work, which will consist of Beaumont Road, south from Iowa Street. \$40,000 has been earmarked for this project.)

I. PUBLIC WORKS - Replacing pavers on Blackhawk Avenue (NOTE: On May 16th, the Committee approved the following proposal: The City would replace the pavers at five (5) crosswalks adjacent to or on Blackhawk Avenue, that currently consist of four (4) feet of brick pavers and two (2) 1-foot wide concrete ribbons supporting the outer edge of the crosswalk. The crosswalks have settled and are becoming rough and chipped. Staff is proposing to remove the concrete ribbons and pavers and replace them with poured concrete walks, with each walk consisting of red-dyed concrete to delineate the crosswalk. The estimated cost of the colored broom finish red-dyed concrete is \$6,162, with the funds to come from the 2012 Street Department asphalt and concrete budget.)

J. PUBLIC WORKS - Archaeological work on Marquette Road project (NOTE: In recent conversations with the DOT, they will not adjust their archaeological/historical review limits or pay for any additional costs to do an archaeological and historical survey on areas outside of their previous limits. The estimated cost is \$3,100 and is a TIF-eligible expense. On May 29th, the Committee recommended approving the expenditure using TIF funds.)

VII. OLD BUSINESS

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

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

B. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION

1. 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: Municipal investment in proposed Industrial Park spec building (TIF funding)

2. 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: Acquisition of property

C. CONVENE into OPEN SESSION

D. ACTION from CLOSED SESSION

IX. ADJOURN

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator

NOTE: This meeting was re-scheduled from Tuesday June 5th to Wednesday June 6th, due to the recall election.