

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 **Tuesday August 7th 2012 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers of City Hall

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MEETING NOTICE – COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday August 7th 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. PUBLIC HEARING – For the purpose of determining whether or not there is a public need for the Prairie Street Fire Station property

B. ACTION on aforesaid agenda item

C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Resolution 2012-32 (COMMENDING THE SERVICE OF JAAREN RIEBE ON THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN)

D. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Resolution 2012-34 (VACATION OF ALL THAT PART OF THE ALLEY ADJACENT TO LOTS 7, 8, 9 AND 10 IN BLOCK 188; UNION PLAT; CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) (NOTE: If approved, staff would request the Council set a public hearing for the September 18th Council meeting.)

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 – July 17th 2012

B. FINANCE COMMITTEE – July 17th 2012

C. DESIGN AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION – January 24th 2012

D. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – May 29th 2012

E. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT (June 2012 and Second Quarter Report)

F. HOMECOMING PARADE – September 26th 2012

G. MISSISSIPPI MUD RUN – To be held on September 15th 2012 on St. Feriole Island

H. OPERATORS LICENSES

I. VARIANCE FROM DNR (NOTE: This variance, which has been approved by the DNR, permits the City to stop further testing for chlordane and 4,4-DDE compounds, which have not been found in the city's water since testing began in July 2010. This will save approximately \$600 per year for the City. Staff recommends approval of receipting the variance approval.)

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 – Resort Area Sales Tax (NOTE: An analysis by Vierbicher was presented to the Finance Committee on July 17th. It estimated the potential revenue ranged from \$212,000 to \$393,000. The funds would have to be used for infrastructure only. Staff recommended that work begin on the legislative action needed, a policy governing the tax's uses, and planning for a public information campaign. The Committee made a motion to the Council recommending moving forward with the implementation of a resort area sales tax.)

C. FINANCE – Resolution 2012-33 (AWARDING THE SALE OF \$1,440,000 TAXABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2012) (NOTE: This bond sale is being used to refinance the following bonds - Taxable General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2003B (\$905,000) and a 2011 State Trust Fund Loan (\$597,354). A portion of the Water and Sewer debt was paid off with cash proceeds to save interest expenses.)

D. FINANCE – Copier Lease Agreement with the Gordon Flesch Company (NOTE: This is a renewal of the City's copier lease with Gordon Flesch. Under the new 5-year lease, the City will pay \$305.80 per month versus the current \$324.74 monthly charge and receive an upgraded copier. The City Administrator is also negotiating to have the current copier at City Hall moved to the Police Department as part of the agreement.)

E. FINANCE – Lease with Maritime Information Systems (MIS) (NOTE: MIS monitors AIS vessel traffic by setting up host stations to receive transponder signals then relaying them to their servers. This information is used for Search and rescue by the Coast Guard, shipping trends by the Department of Transportation, and funding allocation by the Army Core of Engineers. They have contacted the City about placing their equipment at the fire station in a no-cost arrangement. The equipment consists of one small antenna and two boxes. Staff would recommend the Council approve entering into a lease agreement with MIS.)

F. FINANCE/NORTHERN ENGRAVING REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Request for funds for topographical survey (NOTE: The Committee voted on July 19th to request the Council use contingency funds to do the survey which would assist in the redevelopment planning of the site.)

G. PUBLIC WORKS – Wells Street Sidewalk Project and Related Projects (NOTE: At the July 24th Committee meeting, the following motions were approved: 1) to rescind the motion to install sidewalks on the south side of Wells Street, 2) to direct staff to report back to the Committee with a plan to spend the remainder of the sidewalk funds in the 2012 budget and the sidewalk funds in the 2011-2013 Capital Budget, and 3) to recommend to the Finance Committee that funds be included in the 2013 budget to install a 10-foot wide multi-use path along the west side of Fremont Street from Wells to Taylor Streets.)

H. PUBLIC WORKS - Authorization to bid the roof replacement on the WWTF administration and blower buildings (NOTE: These would be bid on one document with the blower building being an "alternate" bid.)

I. PUBLIC WORKS - Authorization to bid sanitary manhole rehabilitation for 2012 (NOTE: This is included in the 2012 budget. Staff is seeking approval to expend up to \$20,000 for this work.)

J. PUBLIC WORKS - Authorization to bid sanitary sewer lining. (NOTE: This is for the sewer line in the alley between Illinois and Michigan St, from Iowa to Wisconsin Street. This work would be done in 2012.)

K. PLAN COMMISSION – 2006 Resolution Excluding Certain Business Areas from the Great River Road Wisconsin Scenic Byway Route (NOTE: This resolution was passed by the Council in December 2006, but was never submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT). The Plan Commission has been debating the installation of digital billboards, at the request of Olympus Media, for the past several months, and has asked to reconsider the 2006 Resolution. Even if the Resolution were re-submitted and approved, this does not necessarily mean digital signs would be permitted on the Great River Road, and that the Plan Commission would still then have to take up the issue of an ordinance regulating or banning such signs.)

L. PROTECTION AND HEALTH – Ordinance 2012-13 (CREATING SECTION 9.33 (ANTI-SCAVENGING) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN)

VII. OLD BUSINESS

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

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Amended Contract with Delta 3 for the Safe Routes to School project (NOTE: Under this agreement, the following additional services for the 19th Street Project Scope revision will be included, pending DOT approval: 1) Additional initial surveying and data collection on 19th Street; 2) Additional computer-aided drafting and plans' preparation; 3) Additional utilities' coordination for utilities located along 19th Street; 4) Additional Right-of-Way Platting with potential P.L.E.(s) or land acquisition; 5) Additional intersection/crossing design (preliminary and final) at Wells Street/School entrance intersection; 6) Additional preliminary and final design and layout for 19th Street segment of Trail along the existing drainage way; 7) Additional preliminary design and layout for 19th Street/Campion Blvd. connecting intersection; and 8) Additional meetings (three) for the Public Works Committee and City Council.)

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Campion Street Right-of-Way Reduction (NOTE: Between 2003 and 2006, the Plan Commission and Common Council approved several motions which would reduce the right-of-way on from Marquette Road, east to the bluff, from 100 to 66 feet (see attached minutes in packet). In reviewing the right-of-way for the Safe Routes to School project, it was determined the process was never completed. Staff is seeking the Council's directive on whether to re-start the vacation process for reducing the right-of-way.)

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

IX. ADJOURN

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator