

Common Council Meeting (January 22nd 2013)

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Prairie du Chien was held on Tuesday January 22nd 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order. **Call to order/Roll Call** – Ken Fleshner and Kyle Kozelka absent. **Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda** – MOTION: Munson SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 10-0 **Pledge of Allegiance**

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PRESENTATIONS - None

Without objection, the agenda was moved:

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

B. FINANCE - Professional Services Agreement with Community Development Alternatives (CDA)

This agreement will involve the implementation of the DNR grant dealing with the elevation of flood-prone properties. The administrative costs are funded through the grant. Dale Klemme (CDA) reviewed the proposal with the Committee. ACTION: To approve the Professional Services Agreement with Community Development Alternatives (CDA) MOTION: Pintz SECOND: Ames VOTE: 9-0-1 (Hein abstained)

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

C. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Ordinance 2013-1 (AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN)

This Ordinance will officially annex the land on which the new proposed Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital is being constructed on in the town of Bridgeport. Bill Sexton and Paul Ginkel were present, representing the Hospital. ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2013-1 (AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TERRITORY TO CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) MOTION: Munson SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 10-0

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Services agreement with Tri-State Ambulance

Tri-State Ambulance is seeking a 3-year renewal of their agreement to provide ambulance service to the City. Tom Tornstrom was present, representing Tri-State, and provided a letter to the Council. The Police Chief stated that response times have been better than the previous ambulance provider. Tornstrom said that paramedics will be on board in the first quarter of 2013. When asked, he said the average cost per ride would increase roughly \$100 due to the new staffing. He said they have two ambulances on call, and four ambulances in total. Tri-State also leases garage space from Prairie EMS. A one-year contract was suggested by the Mayor and City Administrator. ACTION: To approve a 3-year services agreement with Tri-State Ambulance MOTION: Hein SECOND: Titlbach VOTE: 10-0

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. COUNCIL MINUTES – January 8th 2013; B. FINANCE COMMITTEE – January 8th 2013; C. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORTS – Monthly (December), Quarterly (4th Quarter 2012) and Annual (2012); D. OPERATORS LICENSES (if any) ACTION: To approve MOTION: Hein SECOND: Munson VOTE: 10-0

III. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA - None

IV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- No action was taken.

V. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS, PETITIONS, AND PUBLIC INPUT - None

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. FINANCE – Claims

ACTION: To approve MOTION: Hein SECOND: Ames VOTE: 10-0

VII. OLD BUSINESS - None

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

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Improvements to Marquette Road rail spur

At its last meeting, the Council approved moving forward with improving several railroad crossings in 2014. Staff and the DOT have identified one additional crossing, which runs across Marquette Road. Repairs to this crossing would be preferably done in 2014 when the road is being reconstructed. The estimated cost - \$11,300 – would be a TIF-eligible expense. Staff recommends adding this component to other crossing repairs scheduled in 2014. ACTION: To table the item MOTION: Hein SECOND: Jones VOTE: 10-0

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

Boylen had questions about ownership of the city parking lot located in the 100 block of East Blackhawk Avenue.

IX. ADJOURN (7:34 PM)

MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Pintz VOTE: 10-0

Submitted by City Administrator Aaron Kramer

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