

Common Council Agenda – April 22nd 2014

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 April 22nd 2014 at 6:45 P.M.** in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

MEETING NOTICE – COMMON COUNCIL (Re-Organizational Meeting)

Date: Tuesday April 22nd 2014

Time: 6:45 P.M.

Location: Council Chambers – City Hall

ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

- 1. Call to order/Roll Call.**
- 2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda**
- 3. Election of Council President**
- 4. Mayoral Appointments to Council Committees**
- 5. Mayoral Appointments to Commissions**
- 6. Adjourn to the Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM**

MEETING NOTICE – COMMON COUNCIL (Regular Meeting)

Date: Tuesday April 22nd 2014

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: Council Chambers – City Hall

ITEMS TO BE ACTED UPON:

- 1. Call to order/Roll Call.**
- 2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. PUBLIC HEARING - For the purpose of determining whether or not there is a public need for the City of Prairie du Chien to retain ownership of properties legally described as follows: Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, also including the 12-foot vacated alley between Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 and that portion of half of the vacated alley to the South of and bordering Lots 7, 8 and 9, and the North ½ of the alley abutting Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 along the South side of said lots, all in J. Y. Smith's Subdivision, Block 123, Union Plat, City of Prairie du Chien, Crawford County, Wisconsin. (Tax Parcel Numbers 12-271-1912-0000, 12-271-1912-0001 and 12-271-1912-0002)

This is the land commonly known as the Stratton Property, located at the southwest intersection of Blackhawk Avenue and Main Street in downtown Prairie du Chien.

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B. ACTION on aforesaid agenda item

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. COUNCIL MINUTES – April 8th 2014; B. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – March 5th 2014; C. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – March 27th 2014; D. LaRIVIERE PARK BOARD – March 18th 2014; D. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – First Quarter 2014; E. OPERATORS LICENSES (if any); NOTE: These 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.

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS (NOTE: Please limit citizens' comments to no more than three minutes)

A. PRESENTATION – Annual Report from the Tourism Council

Patti Wacker (Tourism Council) will address the Council on the 2013 tourism season and the Tourism Council's 2014 activities.

B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION - RESOLUTION 2014-20 (EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION AND UPGRADES TO THE PRAIRIE DU CHIEN MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND THE CORRESPONDING FUNDRAISING EFFORTS)

8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. FINANCE – Claims

B. PUBLIC WORKS – No Parking on Wells Street from 17th to 22nd Streets

This agenda item is being requested by Bluff view School staff. If approved, this will be incorporated in the updated Traffic Code, which will be coming to the Council in May.

C. PUBLIC WORKS - ADA compliant handicapped stall at 113 South Ohio Street

This agenda item is being requested by Alan Mullikin. If approved, this will be incorporated in the updated Traffic Code, which will be coming to the Council in May.

D. PROTECTION AND HEALTH – Ordinance 2014-10 (CREATING SECTION 9.35 (THROWING OF CANDY AND OTHER ITEMS AT PARADES))

This Ordinance would prohibit the "throwing of candy, gifts, favors or other objects from parade participants to spectators".

E. PERSONNEL – Policy 2014-01 (Cellular and Wireless Devices in the Workplace)

This policy would regulate the use of personal cellular and wireless devices for City employees.

F. PERSONNEL – Policy 2014-02 (Proper Attire for Employees)

This policy amends Policy 2011-03, and adds additional regulations on clothing and attire for employees.

G. PERSONNEL – Policy 2014-03 (Compensatory Time and Overtime)

This policy will clear up some confusion on how compensatory time is and is not granted to City employees.

10. OLD BUSINESS

A. Proposed Improvements to Marquette Road (2017)

The section of road that is scheduled to be reconstructed is bordered by La Pointe Street on the south and Mooney Street on the north.

B. ACTION of aforesaid agenda item (Amended Contract with DOT for 2017 Marquette Road project)

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

A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Acceptance of Donation and Request to Waive the Bid Process

The City has received an anonymous donation of \$18,000 to be applied to the upgrade of the current tennis courts adjacent to Hoffman Hall. The Council is being asked to accept the donation and waive the bid process for the upgrades, due to the uniqueness of the project and the produce being used on the tennis courts (with a 10-year warranty). The anonymous donor has committed to another \$18,000 donation once the project is completed, meaning the City will be using no budgeted funds for the project.

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

C. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION

- 1) Under Wisconsin 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: Block 43 Development (Agreement between City of Prairie du Chien and Nelson True Value)
- 2) Under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. RE: Hiring of City Hall Receptionist

D. CONVENE into open session

E. ACTION from closed session

12. ADJOURN

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator

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