

## **MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 2nd 2016**

A regular meeting of the City of Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday February 2nd 2016 at 7:00 PM in City Hall. Mayor Dave Hemmer called the meeting to order.

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

**1. Call to order/Roll Call** – Edward Hayes-Hall and Nate Gilberts absent **2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda** – MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Jones VOTE: 6-0 **3. Pledge of Allegiance** - Led by Todd Crotty

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

**5. CONSENT AGENDA** - A. COUNCIL – January 19th 2016; B. FINANCE COMMITTEE – January 19th 2016; C. LaRIVIERE PARK COMMITTEE – November 18th 2015; D. POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION – December 15th 2015; E. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – Fourth Quarter 2015 and 2015 Annual; F. OPERATORS LICENSES (if any); ACTION: To approve the Consent Agenda MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Myers VOTE: 6-0

**6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA** - None

### **7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Resolution 2016-02 (SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF CROSSING RIVERS HEALTH IN CONSTRUCTING AN ACCESS ROAD TO THEIR FACILITY AND PETITIONING THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO RELEASE CERTAIN LAND COVENANTS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF SAID ACCESS ROAD)** – Dave Breitbach (Crossing Rivers) was present to answer questions from the Council. ACTION: To approve Resolution 2016-02 MOTION: Leys SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 6-0

**B. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Resolution 2016-03 (DECLARING MAY 14TH 2016 AS INTERNATIONAL MIGRATORY BIRD DAY IN THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN)** – ACTION: To approve Resolution 2016-03 MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Jones VOTE: 6-0

**8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT** – Kramer reminded the Council of the Public Works Committee meeting (February 9<sup>th</sup>), the Plan Commission meeting (February 15<sup>th</sup>) and the change in the schedule for the next Council meeting (February 16<sup>th</sup> to February 23<sup>rd</sup>, due to the spring primary). No formal action taken.

### **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS**

**A. FINANCE – Claims** – ACTION: To approve the claims MOTION: Leys SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 6-0

**B. FINANCE – Closing of Tax Increment District #2** - Staff is recommending the closure of Tax Increment District #2 this year, which will close with a positive cash balance and place approximately \$3 million on the property tax roll. ACTION: To proceed with closing TID #2 MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Titlbach VOTE: 6-0

**10. OLD BUSINESS** - None

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

**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – Awarding Bid for Haydn Street Storm Sewer Project** - Rickleff Plumbing and Heating was the low bidder. The low bid (\$33,434) came in below the amount the

City has budgeted for the project (\$35,000). ACTION: To award the bid to Rickleff Plumbing and Heating MOTION: Myers SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 6-0

**B. DISCUSSION - Items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment** – Leys asked for a report from Water Department Manager Larry Gates on the potential of any lead threat in the city's water system in light of the recent developments in Flint, Michigan.

**C. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION (7:20 PM)** - ACTION: To go into 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: Sale of City Property (Economic Development) 2. 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: Town of Bridgeport Incorporation Petition MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Titlbach VOTE: 5-1 (Leys opposed)

**D. CONVENE into open session (7:39 PM)** – MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 6-0

**E. ACTION from closed session** – ACTION: To direct the City Attorney to draft a letter to the Town of Bridgeport listing the requested items for joint discussion MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Leys VOTE: 6-0 ACTION: That the City Attorney and City Administrator are authorized to draft an Option to Purchase for BoxLogix, LLC, or another LLC controlled by or affiliated with BoxLogix, LLC, to purchase Lot 1 (271-2236-0011) of CSM 1254 and a portion of Lot 2 (271-2236-0020) of CSM 1254 – the portion not be included is that currently contained in the 350-foot Scenic Easement – in the North Gateway Business Park, with BoxLogix, LLC, or another LLC controlled by or affiliated with BoxLogix, LLC, paying one-hundred dollars (\$100) for the Option, and said land to be sold to BoxLogix, LLC, or another LLC controlled by or affiliated with BoxLogix, LLC, if said Option is executed at one-hundred dollars (\$100) per acre, and to have a Certified Survey Map of the aforementioned land drafted. MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Titlbach VOTE: 6-0

**12. ADJOURNMENT (7:42 PM)** – MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Leys VOTE: 6-0

Submitted by City Clerk Administrator Aaron Kramer

**RESOLUTIONS APPROVED**

**\* Resolution 2016-02 (SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF CROSSING RIVERS HEALTH IN CONSTRUCTING AN ACCESS ROAD TO THEIR FACILITY AND PETITIONING THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO RELEASE CERTAIN LAND COVENANTS TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF SAID ACCESS ROAD)**

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