

MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL – APRIL 12th 2016

A regular meeting of the City of Prairie du Chien Common Council was held on Tuesday April 12th 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 – All members present. **2. Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements and approval of the agenda** – MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0 **3. Pledge of Allegiance** - Led by Todd Crotty

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. PUBLIC HEARING - Request from Hazel Boom to rezone Lot 1 of CSM #1413; Private Land Claims from AT “Agricultural Transition” to R-1 “Low Density Residential” Zoning District - This property is located on the 1900 block of E. Brunson Street. Hemmer opened the public hearing at 7:02 PM. Zoning Administrator Jackson provided an overview of the request. Hemmer closed the public hearing at 7:03 PM.

B. ACTION of aforesaid agenda item – Ordinance 2016-09 (AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) - The purpose of this Ordinance is to re-zone property located on the 1900 block of E. Brunson Street. ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2016-09 MOTION: Leys SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0

C. PUBLIC HEARING - Request from the City of Prairie du Chien to rezone Lots 1 and 2 of CSM #1254; Private Land Claims (parcel #271-2236-0011 and parcel #271-2236-0020) from B-2 “Highway Commercial” to I-2 “Industrial/Manufacturing” Zoning District - This property is located on the northeast corner of Cliffwood Drive and Vena Court. Hemmer opened the public hearing at 7:05 PM. Zoning Administrator Jackson provided an overview of the request. Hemmer closed the public hearing at 7:06 PM.

D. ACTION of aforesaid agenda item – Ordinance 2016-10 (AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) - The purpose of this Ordinance is to re-zone property located on the northeast corner of Cliffwood Drive and Vena Court. ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2016-10 MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. COUNCIL – March 15th and March 29th 2016; B. FINANCE COMMITTEE – March 15th 2016; C. LARIVIERE PARK BOARD – January 20th 2016; D. POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION – January 27th 2016; E. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS – February 17th 2016; F. PLAN COMMISSION – February 15th 2016; G. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – February 9th 2016; H. POLICE DEPARTMENT – 2015 Annual Report; H. BOARD OF CANVASSERS – February 22nd 2016; I. BOARD OF CANVASSERS ELECTION CERTIFICATION (April 5th 2016 Spring Election); J. FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT – March 2016; K. OPERATORS LICENSES (if any); ACTION: To approve the Consent Agenda MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Myers VOTE: 8-0

6. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA - None

7. CITIZENS’ COMMENTS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS - None

8. CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – No formal action

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. FINANCE – Claims – ACTION: To approve MOTION: Gilberts SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 8-0

B. PUBLIC WORKS - Closing of Haydn Street Railroad Crossing - The City has received notice from the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads to close the crossing no later than June 30th. Staff will seek direction on a timetable to proceed, and the future of that portion of Haydn Street between the railroad tracks and Marquette Road. The Committee recommended closing the crossing no later than May 2nd. ACTION: To approve the closing of the Haydn Street crossing no later than May 2 MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Hayes-Hall VOTE: 8-0

C. PUBLIC WORKS - Request to close City parking lot for Hooking for Hope Fishing event (Sawmill Saloon) - This event will be held June 4th 2016. ACTION: To approve the request pending a review by the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Public Works Department of the plans to ensure there are no issues with public safety MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 7-0-1 (Gilberts abstained)

D. PUBLIC WORKS - Parking request from Trillium Mid Wifery Services at Beaumont and Brunson - ACTION: To allow additional parking within the Broadway Street Right-of-Way on the north side of their building, located at 1201 South Beaumont Road MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 8-0

E. PUBLIC WORKS – Proposed Business Sign for North Gateway Business Park - The budget for the project (TID #6 funds) is \$15,000. The Wisconsin DOT has approved Option #1 as their preferred choice. ACTION: To approve Option #1 MOTION: Gilberts SECOND: Crotty VOTE: 8-0

F. PUBLIC WORKS – Awarding of Bids (Various Public Works Projects - Curb/Gutter & Sidewalk Replacement/Street Paving) - ACTION: To award the bid for curb & gutter to Tri-State Curb and Gutter (Rewey, WI) and the paving contract to Iverson (Kieler, WI) MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Myers VOTE: 8-0

G. PUBLIC WORKS – Ordinance 2016-07 REPEALING AND RECREATING CHAPTER 14.02 (A) (2) (BUILDING REGULATIONS-SCOPE) - The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Chapter 14.02 (A) (1) requiring that no work be done prior to the issuance of an applicable building permit, whereas the current ordinance permits work upon application of a permit. ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2016-07 MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 8-0

H. PUBLIC WORKS – Ordinance 2016-08 (REPEALING AND RECREATING SUBCHAPTER III, CHAPTER 13.18, SECTION V (5) OF CHAPTER 13 (MUNICIPAL UTILITIES) - The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend sections of the Wastewater Utility Ordinance to clarify building sewers, connections and disconnections, and increases the fee for sewer hookups from \$250 to \$500. ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2016-08 MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0

I. PUBLIC WORKS – Ordinance 2016-11 (REPEALING AND RECREATING CHAPTER 8.10 (DRIVEWAYS) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, CRAWFORD COUNTY, WISCONSIN) - The purpose of this Ordinance is to permit wider driveway. ACTION: To approve Ordinance 2016-09 MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0

H. PUBLIC WORKS - Request for the wastewater department to review and waive the bid requirement to line sanitary sewer - The work will be paid for it through the 2016 line item budget. To approve the request for the wastewater department to review and waive the bid requirement to line sanitary sewer and award the bid to Michels Corporation MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0

I. PUBLIC WORKS – Disposal of Excess City Property - Staff is seeking direction on how to proceed with disposing of the parcels of city land in the southeast section of the City which were not sold in the 2015 land sale. ACTION: To list the properties with a local realtor and maintain the previous minimum prices VOTE: 7-1 (Jones opposed)

J. PUBLIC WORKS – Removal of two billboards on Highway 18 - Staff is seeking permission to remove two billboards adjacent to the airport, a recommendation supported by the Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics. ACTION: To remove the billboards MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Crotty VOTE: 8-0

10. OLD BUSINESS - None

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

A. DISCUSSION - Items for future agenda consideration or Committee assignment – Leys asked for an update on the purchase of the new fire truck. City Administrator Kramer said the recommendation of the fire department will likely be on the April 19th Council agenda.

B. ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION (7:44 PM) – ACTION : To go into closed session 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: Purchase of Property (Flood Mitigation Project) and Exchange of City Property with Private Land Owner (Cedar Street Landing) MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Gilberts VOTE: 8-0

C. CONVENE into open session (8:15 PM) – MOTION: Titlbach SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 8-0

D. ACTION from closed session – ACTION: To approve the purchase of land for the flood mitigation project from Ken and Louise White, the Godden Properties LLC and Derrick and Mandy Chesboro MOTION: Hayes-Hall SECOND: Solomon VOTE: 8-0 ACTION: To send the offer from John Rybarczyk to trade approximately three acres of land he owns on St. Feriole Island for the four lots the City owns at the Cedar Street landing back to the Public Works Committee for reconsideration MOTION: Hayes-Hall SECOND: Leys VOTE: 5-3 (Myers, Titlbach and Solomon opposed)

12. ADJOURN (8:17 PM) – MOTION: Solomon SECOND: Hayes-Hall VOTE: 8-0

Submitted by City Administrator Aaron Kramer

ORDINANCES PASSED

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