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MEETING NOTICE – COMMON COUNCIL

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Tuesday March 16, 2010 - 7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers – City Hall

Notice is hereby given according to State Statutes that a regular meeting of the **COMMON COUNCIL** of the City of Prairie du Chien will meet on **Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.** in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AND ACTED UPON BY COUNCIL:

- * **Call to order/Roll Call.**
- * **Certification of the open meeting law agenda requirements.**
- * **Pledge of Allegiance**

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND INPUT

A. RESOLUTIONS – Honoring Judy Lee for her 27 years of service to the city

II. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

(NOTE: 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 – March 2nd 2010
- B. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MINUTES – February 15th 2010
- C. ETHICS BOARD MINUTES – February 8th 2010
- D. ETHICS BOARD MINUTES – February 22nd 2010
- E. PARK BOARD MINUTES – December 16th 2009

III. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

IV. CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS, PETITIONS, AND PUBLIC INPUT

(NOTE: Please limit comments to no more than three minutes)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ACTIONS

A. ETHICS BOARD – RECOMMENDATION ON ETHICS COMPLAINT AGAINST MAYOR KARL STEINER (NOTE: The Board on March 8th, by a 3-0 vote, found that the mayor violated the City Charter (Chapter 4, Section 20) and appears to have violated State Statute 12.09 (3) (Election Threats), therefore putting him in violation of the City Ethics Code 1.07 (2). The Board recommends to the Council that the mayor be publicly reprimanded and be required to publicly apologize to Maxwell Erickson in the local media and at the next Council meeting.)

B. FINANCE COMMITTEE - APPROVAL TO BID – Tourism Center Roof (NOTE: Staff is seeking approval to submit bids for the replacement of the Tourism Center roof – Funds would come from the 2008-2009 capital borrowings. The Committee met on Monday March 15th regarding this matter.)

C. FINANCE COMMITTEE - APPROVAL TO BID – Library Roof (NOTE: Staff is seeking approval to bid out the replacement of the library roof – Funds would come from the 2008-2009 capital borrowings. The Committee met on Monday March 15th regarding this matter.)

D. FINANCE COMMITTEE - EXPENSE REQUEST – Mayor Steiner (NOTE: Mayor Steiner is requesting reimbursement for \$26.18. The report is included in the packet. The Committee met on Monday March 15th regarding this matter.)

E. FINANCE COMMITTEE - REQUEST TO EXPEND FUNDS – Hoffman Hall (NOTE: HSR Associates has submitted a design fee proposal to continue their work involving the long-term future of Hoffman Hall. The proposal, \$5,000, could be funded from a number of sources. The Committee met on Monday March 15th regarding this matter.)

F. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - FIRE DEPARTMENT WAIVER – D'Wayne Koecke (NOTE: A waiver is required for fire fighters who pass the age of 60. Mr. Koecke turned 60 last October. The Personnel Committee approved the waiver on March 8th.)

G. PROPERTY COMMITTEE - APPROVAL OF SALE – One-ton truck (NOTE: Bids were opened on Thursday March 11th to sell the one-ton truck the city has replaced. The Committee met on Monday March 15th regarding this matter.)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. MOTION TO RESCIND – City Hall Usage Policy (NOTE: Councilmember Hackett has requested a motion to rescind the March 2nd Council approval of the City Hall Usage Policy. If the motion to rescind is successful, the Council may debate amendments to the proposed Policy.)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. PERMISSION TO HOLD THE PRAIRIE DU CHIEN HALF MARATHON (NOTE: Linda Hansen will be present to preview the 2010 race, which will be held on May 1st. She will be seeking permission to move ahead with the event.)

B. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FOR HOFFMAN HALL (NOTE: The city was notified last week that it was successful in receiving a \$225,000 grant from the Department of Commerce. As part of the grant, the city needs to secure \$1,047,000 by July 1st and the energy efficiency project must be completed by December 31st 2010.)

C. CLOSED SESSION as per Wisconsin State Statutes, Chapter 19.85 (1) (e) Deliberating or Negotiating the Purchase of Public Properties, or Conducting other Specified Business, whenever Competitive or Bargaining Reasons require a Closed Session, for possible development.

1. Agreement for Downtown Hotel Development
2. Recommendation of the Personnel Committee for the position of Assistant Deputy Clerk

D. Reconvene into Open Session.

E. Action on aforesaid Closed Session.

F. Adjourn

Aaron Kramer, City Administrator

PROOF OF POSTING AFFIDAVIT

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By _____
Aaron Kramer, City Administrator - Date: March 12, 2010