



# CITY OF OMRO

Omro, Wisconsin

Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, November 20, 2012  
Omro City Hall Council Chambers

- Attendance Mayor Robert R. Breu, City Administrator Linda K. Kutchenriter, City Attorney Lud Wurtz, Aldermanic Representatives Ken Cady, Steve Jungwirth, Larry Wright, Jason Reeves, and Rod Brusius. Public Works Director Mark Van Pelt, Martenson & Eisele, Inc. Representative Michael S. Siewert, Omro Herald Reporter Julie Schmidt, and Residents John Steen and Tim Doolittle. Town of Omro Resident Esther Leonard.
- Call to Order Mayor Breu called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the council chambers at Omro City Hall.
- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance The invocation was given by Jason Reeves, followed by the presentation of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll Call Alderman Gordon Garvens was absent. A majority quorum of the council members were in attendance to conduct the official business of the city.
- Audience Participation Tim Doolittle of 232 Adams Avenue addressed the council in regards to the 2013 annual operating budget. He stated that the council made the right decision in keeping the old garage for city use. Mr. Doolittle also addressed concerns that the \$300.00 expenditure for employee goodwill and flowers during illness was still in use, citing that most businesses had done away with this policy. He also addressed concerns with the way that Ontario Street was resurfaced, stating the gravel sides were inadequate, which would cause his neighbors and his yards to flood in heavy rains. .
- Minutes **Ken Cady motioned and Jason Reeves seconded to approve the November 6, 2012 Council Meeting Minutes and the November 1, 2012 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes as presented. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote of council members present.**
- Public Hearing on 2013 Annual **Mayor Breu opened the public hearing for the 2013 Annual Operating Budget at 7:09 pm. No residents were in attendance to participate in the**

Budget  
Expenditures

**public hearing. Mayor Breu closed the public hearing at 7:09 pm. Rod Brusius motioned and Larry Wright seconded to approve RES: 121120-A 'Expenditures' as presented. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.**

Request to  
Rescind Hwy 21  
Officially Mapped  
Bypass

Esther Leonard addressed the council with a request for the City to rescind the Hwy 21 Officially Mapped Hwy Bypass that involves 38 acres of their family's property. After discussion, the council responded that the Plan Commission recommends retaining the mapped bypass, as does the DOT that still feels that this bypass is good planning for the future, even though the project is not in the plans for construction at this time. **Steve Jungwirth motioned and Jason Reeves seconded to maintain the Hwy 21 Officially Mapped Bypass as is. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.**

Adoption of 2013  
Annual Operating  
Budget

**Larry Wright motioned and Jason Reeves seconded to approve RES: 121120-B 'Adoption of 2013 Annual Operating Budget as presented with total expenditures and revenues of \$2,962,317.00. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.**

Adoption of 2012  
Tax Levy Payable  
in 2013

**Larry Wright motioned and Rod Brusius seconded to approve RES: 121120-C 'Adoption of 2012 Levy to be Paid in 2013' as presented with a 2012 tax levy of \$1,412,295.00 and corresponding effective city tax rate of \$9.39 per thousand. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.**

Award of Bid for  
Installation of  
Water Service at  
810 & 836 Willow  
Street

**Ken Cady motioned and Larry Wright seconded to approve RES: 121120-D 'Award of Bid for Water Service Relocation and Addition at 810 & 836 Willow Street' as presented. Ken Cady expressed concerns that the city crews should do the excavating. Public Works Director Mark Van Pelt responded that the city does not have the equipment for boring under the highway, and the DOT will not allow closure of the highway for installation of the water mains. Ken Cady/No, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by majority roll call vote of the council members present.**

Rescind Bid  
Award for Stearn's

Public Works Director Mark Van Pelt and City Administrator Linda Kutchenriter informed the council that since the original bid award, the winning contractor as submitted an additional expense estimate adding more than \$40,000.00 to

Park Seawall  
Project

the original bid. The city wishes to rescind this bid and award the bid and project to the next lowest bidder. **Jason Reeves motioned and Steve Jungwirth seconded to approve RES: 121120-E 'Rescind Bid Award from Radtke Contractors for the Stearn's Park Seawall / Transient Dock Rehabilitation Project' as presented.** Attorney Wurtz addressed concerns that he would like the original contractor to rescind his own bid in writing instead of the city rescinding the contract award. **Jason Reeves motioned and Rod Brusius seconded to request that the original contractor, Radtke Contractors, issue a letter to the city rescinding their original bid price, in exchange, the city will release the bid bond. No charges are to be paid to the contractor for their initial mobilization costs or any other costs incurred with the project. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye.**

Authorize Police  
Department  
expenditures at  
the Old Municipal  
Garage

**Rod Brusius motioned and Ken Cady seconded to approve RES: 121120-G 'Authorization to Make Renovations to the Municipal Garage on W. Main Street for the Use of the Omro Police Department' as amended to remove reference for remaining funds to be utilized to make repairs to the Superior Street Garage Structure. Ken Cady/Aye, Steve Jungwirth/Aye, Gordon Garvens/Absent, Larry Wright/Aye, Jason Reeves/Aye, and Rod Brusius/Aye. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.**

New Parade  
Route

The Mayor reported that the Christmas Parade on December 1<sup>st</sup> will be the last parade using the current parade route. Effective in 2013, the DOT is disallowing the closure of the Hwy 21 bridge and traffic flow. The new parade route will start from the corner of Omreau Avenue and Main Street, flowing easterly to S. Webster, then ending at Omro City Hall.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the common council will be held on December 4, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the council chambers of city hall.

Adjournment

**Rod Brusius motioned and Jason Reeves seconded to adjourn the council meeting at 7:40 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote of the council members present.**

Respectfully submitted by,  
Barbara Van Clake, MMC, WCPC  
Deputy Clerk / Treasurer