

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2016**

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Ryan Boebel at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following alderpersons answering present: Jessie Strack, Dave Streif, Joe McBee, Pete Adam, Greg Ashmore, Linda Stephenson, Gerald Bollant and Sara Brodt. Others present: Jason Wood, Dale Klemme, Rob Callahan, Police Chief Chris French, Promotions Coordinator Linda Parrish, Atty. Eileen Brownlee, DPW Dennis Biddick and Clerk Margaret Sprague.

Proof in the form of a certificate of public notice given as required by Section 19.84, Wis. Stats., as to the holding of this meeting, was presented by the Clerk. Motion by Brodt second by Streif to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Carried.

A public hearing was held on the proposed application for Community Development Block Grant Public Facility for Economic Development (CDBG-PFED) funding. Dale Klemme of Community Development Alternatives explained that the project may include acquisition of property, site clearance and construction of a drainage basin in the area of Lincoln Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> Street to assist with a proposed business expansion. The estimated budget for the project would be \$497,500 of which 50% would be eligible for CDBG-PFED funding and the remaining 50% of project costs would be financed through the Tax Increment financing program. He explained eligible CDBG activities, housing and community development needs and potential residential displacement related to the project. Following questions, Mayor Boebel closed the hearing at approx. 7:20 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-27-2016 titled "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG-PFED) APPLICATION" was introduced. Motion by Streif second by Stephenson to adopt Resolution No. 6-27-2016. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by McBee second by Brodt to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2016, regular council meeting and the June 22, 2016, special council meeting as presented. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve granting operator's licenses to the following: Erika E. Varela, Laina L. Pittsley, Deana K. Conwell and Shannon F. Schultz. Carried.

Jason Wood, President of Southwest Tech gave a report on the College's "Vision for the Future". The district is looking for ways to be part of Fennimore's success. A feasibility study and business plan will be done over the next year to identify potential public-private partnerships and facilities that will bring more people to the area.

Police Chief Chris French gave a report on activities in his office.

Promotions Coordinator Linda Parrish gave a report on activities in her office.

DPW Dennis Biddick gave a report on activities in the public works departments.

Clerk-Treasurer Margaret Sprague gave a report on activities in the City/Utility office.

Motion by Brodt second by McBee to approve the appointment of Jan Lintvedt to the Library Board for a 3-year term expiring June 30, 2019. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Stephenson to approve the request of the Chamber of Commerce to close 8<sup>th</sup> Street between Lincoln Avenue and Madison Street on August 10<sup>th</sup> for the Back to School Showcase as presented. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Streif to approve the following requests to serve food in the auditorium: Chamber of Commerce for their July 12<sup>th</sup> chicken barbecue and community awards program; and Chamber of Commerce for their August 10<sup>th</sup> Back to School Showcase. Carried.

Motion by Stephenson second by Brodt to approve the purchase of tickets for the July 12<sup>th</sup> Chamber of Commerce chicken barbecue for employees at a cost of \$10 per ticket, two tickets each for full-time employees and one ticket each for part-time employees, total estimated cost is \$650. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve the cropland lease between the City of Fennimore and Tim Napp for vacant land in the industrial park as presented. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Stephenson to approve the Industrial Park Committee recommendation that improvements be made to the two signs in the business park as discussed at a cost of \$2,150 with funds coming from the capital projects account for industrial park improvements. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve a budget amendment for the 2016 budget to add \$2,150 as revenue to come from the capital projects account for industrial park improvements and add \$2,150 as an expense in the urban development-misc account for sign improvements in the business park. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Streif to approve bidding equipment for the wastewater treatment plant upgrade project as presented, equipment to be incorporated into the contract documents for the facility project which has an estimated construction date starting in 2017. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Strack to approve the purchase of a John Deere Z540R lawn mower for the cemetery at a cost of \$5,500 from Sloan Implement. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Strack to approve reimbursing Rebecca McBee the \$325 registration fee for lifeguard certification training as presented. Carried.

Motion by Strack second by Brodt to approve promoting Kyle McCorkle to regular employee status as an electric lineman upon completion of 6 months of employment with the City, on July 5, 2016. Carried.

Scheduled a Personnel Committee meeting for July 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss time saving opportunities and possible creation of a new administrative position to assist with completing various projects that need to be done.

The Finance Committee presented claims of \$27,392.53 - General City; \$63,707.36 - Utility; \$29,118.39 - Sewer; and \$56,723.80- June 24<sup>th</sup> payroll. Motion by McBee second by Streif that these bills be approved and paid by the proper officials. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Mayor Boebel announced that the matter in agenda item #27, discussion on negotiations for sale of property, was of a nature that consideration to go into closed session would be appropriate as authorized by Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(e).

Motion by McBee second by Brodt to go into closed session on the matter in agenda item #27, discussion on negotiations for sale of property, as authorized by Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(e). Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

The council went into closed session at approx. 9 p.m.

The council returned to open session at approx. 9:45 p.m.

Motion by Brodt second by Streif to adjourn. Carried.

This meeting was adjourned at approx.9:45 p.m.