

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN
HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017**

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Ryan Boebel at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following alderpersons answering present: Greg Ashmore, Linda Stephenson, Gerald Bollant (late), Sara Brodt, Jessie Strack, Dave Streif and Joe McBee. Absent: Pete Adam. Others present: Rob Callahan, Ben Heidemann, Gene Laschinger, 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 Streif second by Brodt to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Carried.

Motion by Stephenson second by Ashmore to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017, regular council meeting as presented by the Clerk. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Strack to approve granting a "Class B" combination alcohol beverage license to Fenway House LLC, Heather Weidenfeld-Agent, for 1096 Lincoln Avenue described as 25,500 sq. ft. bldg. with 3 bars and 2 dining rooms, hotel, rear deck area, storage area and kitchen, as presented. Carried.

Mayor Boebel announced that the matters in agenda item #7, sale of City-owned lot in business park, agenda item #8, review bids and bidder qualifications for wastewater treatment project upgrade and agenda item #9, negotiation of terms of property acquisition and development for commercial project, were 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 matters in agenda item #7, sale of City-owned lot in business park, agenda item #8, review bids and bidder qualifications for wastewater treatment project upgrade and agenda item #9, negotiation of terms of property acquisition and development for commercial project, 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. 6:05 p.m.

Ald. Bollant joined the closed session at approx. 7:10 p.m.

The council returned to open session at approx. 8:02 p.m.

No action taken on closed session matters.

A report on administrative activities, vehicle/equipment issues and misc. concerns in the Police Department was included in the meeting packet for discussion.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve extension of the option to purchase the Rollo Govier property at 4th Street and Lincoln Avenue, fee for extension set at \$3,000. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

DPW Dennis Biddick gave a report on tree trimming, pool construction, street construction and wastewater plant activities in the public works departments.

Promotions Coordinator Linda Parrish gave a report on Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development activities and events she is helping promote in her office.

City Clerk-Treasurer Margaret Sprague gave an update on billing and collection, election, audit and reporting activities in the City/Utility office.

Motion by Strack second by Streif to approve the Agreement By and Between the City of Fennimore and Fennimore Community School District for Law Enforcement/Police Liaison Services for the 2016-2017 School Year as presented. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve the Finance and Progress Committee recommendation from their March 21st meeting to prepare an ordinance amendment to make the following changes to the fee schedule in Section 25.045 of the Municipal Code:

Dept. of Commerce Seal be changed to DSPS Seal

Under Police, Open records information requests provided on CD – fee of \$10

Little League Baseball – Annual Fee of \$250

Little League Softball – Annual Fee of \$250

Tournaments – Specify fee is for “Adult” Tournaments

Remove the section for renting tables and chairs and replace it with language that the City does not rent tables and chairs. Leave language that schools may use tables and chairs at no charge, reciprocal.

Swimming lessons offered will be private lessons only with a fee of \$50. Carried.

Reviewed the minutes of the March 22nd Personnel & Administrative Committee meeting.

The Finance and Progress Committee presented claims of \$72,354.12 - General City; \$9,260.96 - Utility; \$4,033.22 - Sewer; and \$52,553.81 – March 17th payroll . Motion by Streif second by Brodt that these bills be approved and paid by the proper officials as presented. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by McBee second by Brodt to adjourn. Carried.

This meeting was adjourned at approx. 8:37 p.m.