

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN
HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 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: Jessie Strack, Dave Streif, Jeff Hagen, Pete Adam, Greg Ashmore, Linda Stephenson and Gerald Bollant. Absent: Sara Brodt. Others present: Elyssa Vondra, Sarah Chulafich, Michael Chulafich, Ben Heidemann, 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 Strack to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Carried.

Motion by Strack second by Ashmore to approve granting operator's licenses to the following: Jacob Marshall and Dorothy Daniels. Carried.

Motion by Stephenson second by Streif to approve the request of Kwik Trip, Inc. to change the agent on their "Class A" alcohol beverage license to Daniel Schweinfus. Carried.

Motion by Ashmore second by Strack to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2017 regular council meeting and the September 29, 2017 special meeting as presented. Carried.

The Finance and Progress Committee presented claims of \$62,306.98 - General City; \$28,549.04 - Utility; \$58,307.98 - Sewer; and \$60,025.55- September 29th payroll. Motion by Streif second by Strack that these bills be approved and paid by the proper officials. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Adam second by Stephenson to approve the October 4th Personnel & Administrative Committee recommendation to offer the street worker-mechanic position to Mike Fecht as follows: **1**--starting wage will be \$22.41 per hour, which is the full base wage for the street worker-mechanic position; eligible for the pay increase on January 1, 2018, same as other employees; **2**--receive 3 weeks of paid time off during first year of employment with the City and each year thereafter until he reaches 8 years of service at which time he will be eligible for 4 weeks of paid time off. Give 5 years of employment credit for job-related work experience so he will have to work 3 years for the City to be eligible for 4 weeks of paid time off; **3**--grant a waiver from the 6-month probationary period of ineligibility for receiving holiday pay, making him eligible for holiday pay immediately; **4**--grant a waiver from the 6-month probationary period of ineligibility for use of sick pay, making him eligible to use accumulated sick pay immediately. He will earn sick pay at the rate of 10 days per year (approx. 6 hours and 40 minutes per month); and **5**—he will serve a 6-month probationary period with the City. Carried.

Ben Heidemann of Town & Country Engineering spoke to the council on phosphorus compliance alternatives for the wastewater treatment plant including advanced treatment, water quality trading and multi discharger variance. This is part of the phosphorus compliance alternatives report required for the wastewater plant WPDES permit.

Motion by Streif second by Strack to authorize Town & Country Engineering to proceed with applying to the DNR for a multi discharger variance for the wastewater treatment plant as part of re-issuance of the WPDES permit. Carried.

The 2018 Library Board budget was presented in the amount of \$123,303.59 for wages and benefits and \$39,105.36 county budget funds for operations.

Motion by Streif second by Stephenson to appoint the Director of Public Works as the single point of contact for all matters related to broadband network projects in the City of Fennimore. Carried.

DPW Dennis Biddick reviewed work change directives for the wastewater plant upgrade project totaling a net reduction of \$58,980.84 in the contract with Gridor Construction. A change order will be presented for these changes and others identified in the next few months prior to the end of 2017 for council approval.

Received water, sewer and street improvement bids for the CDBG-PFED project. Tabled action on the matter until the agreement with the state is signed for the grant.

Motion by Adam second by Streif to authorize the Director of Public Works to donate old storm warning sirens that have been removed to interested communities and Grant County Emergency Government, except the old civil defense siren which will be donated to the Fennimore Railroad Historical Society. Carried.

Motion by Hagen second by Streif to approve the Service Agreement between the City of Fennimore and Dennis Hampton for building/electrical/plumbing/HVAC/soil erosion inspector and zoning administrator services for the period of November 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. Carried.

Motion by Adam second by Stephenson to approve the revised Clerk-Treasurer job description (removes zoning administrator duties), with corrections to the numbering. Carried.

Resolution No. 10-9-2017 titled "RESOLUTION TO BORROW FUNDS AND LEVY TAX" relating to borrowing \$407,000 from the State Trust Fund loan program for the TID No. 6 project was introduced. Motion by Adam second by Streif to adopt Resolution No. 10-9-2017. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Strack to adjourn. Carried.

This meeting was adjourned at approx. 7:12 p.m.