

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN
HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 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: Gerald Bollant, Sara Brodt, Jessie Strack, Dave Streif, Joe McBee, Pete Adam, Greg Ashmore and Linda Stephenson. Others present: Rob Callahan, Ben Heidemann, Police Chief Chris French, Promotions Coordinator Linda Parrish, 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 McBee second by Bollant to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2016, regular council meeting as presented and the September 20, 2016 special council meeting with correction of Greg Ashmore attending the meeting rather than Ryan Ashmore. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Stephenson to approve granting a "Class B" combination alcohol beverage license to Fenway House Hotel LLC, Sue Foley, owner, for 1096 Lincoln Avenue including the bar, hotel, banquet hall and restaurant as presented. Carried.

Police Chief Chris French gave a report on activities in the Police Department.

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.

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

Ben Heidemann of Town & Country Engineering shared information with council members about the zoning issues for the wastewater treatment plant relating to the 75 ft. shoreland zoning setback requirement and the 70 ft. highway setback requirement that the City will not be able to meet as part of the wastewater plan upgrade project. A special exception permit will be needed from Grant County for the shoreland zoning setback and a variance will be needed for the highway setback requirement. Council members agreed that staff should proceed with the applications to Grant County as discussed.

Council members discussed Personnel and Administrative Committee member efforts to look into offering a health insurance opt out incentive to employees. The committee will work through the review and recommendation process with Atty. Brownlee and employees. It is an opportunity for the City to save money on health insurance premiums due to a recent change in state law.

DPW Dennis Biddick reviewed the Vulnerability Assessment and Emergency Response Plan for the Wastewater System he recently completed. The City must certify its completion to

Rural Development as part of the loan/grant process. He will now sign the certification form in Section 10 and provide it to Rural Development.

Mayor Boebel made the following committee appointments:

Community Development Authority: Pete Adam

FIEDC: Linda Stephenson

Library Board: Joe McBee

LIFT Taxi: Gerald Bollant

The Personnel and Administrative Committee is still working on revisions to the business travel expense policy. Looking at how to update the meal reimbursement portion of the policy.

Motion by Streif second by Adam to approve the September 20th Finance and Progress Committee recommendation that the city-owned property at 16th Street and Lincoln Avenue be made available for development. Carried.

Motion by Adam second by Stephenson to approve the September 21st Personnel and Administrative Committee recommendation to approve the job descriptions for the wastewater treatment foreman, wastewater treatment operator and water system operator with the correction to the Appointing Authority to be shown as Personnel and Administrative Committee. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Strack to authorize the Plan Commission to proceed with updating of the City's comprehensive plan as part of the process for creating TIF District #6. Carried.

Motion by Stephenson second by Brodt to approve the appointment of Greg Ashmore to the Joint Review Board for TIF Districts in the City of Fennimore as the City representative. Carried.

RESOLUTION NO.9-26-2016 titled "RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PROCEEDING WITH PLANNING FOR TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT NO. 6 IN THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN" was introduced. Motion by Brodt second by Streif to adopt Resolution No. 9-26-2016 as presented. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

The Finance Committee presented claims of \$24,050.94 - General City; \$11,403.16 - Utility; \$28,422.06 - Sewer; and \$52,105.76- September 16th payroll. Motion by Brodt second by Streif that these bills be approved and paid by the proper officials. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Stephenson to adjourn. Carried.

This meeting was adjourned at approx. 8:25 p.m.