

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,
WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2021**

The Regular Council meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Ryan Boebel at 5:32 p.m.

Roll Call was taken with the following alderpersons answering present: Adam, Flynn, Sheckler, Day, Strack, Streif. City Clerk Debi Heisner and John Murray, DPW was also present.

Agenda: 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 Treasurer. Motion by Flynn, second by Day to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

Consent Agenda: Approval of Operator License(s): The Operator's License for Brandon Hocking was approved with a motion by Day and a second by Strack. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of the preceding meeting. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the March 16th, 2021 Council meetings were approved with a motion by Day and a second by Flynn. Motion carried 6-0.

Comments from Pre-registered Citizens: Brian Friederick was present to discuss allowing golf carts to be used on Fennimore City Streets. There needs to be more information to move forward. Margaret Sprague, Tree Board was present to update the council on a few items. Arbor day is scheduled for April 30th, 2021.

Reports of City Officers:

City Clerk

DPW

Chief of Police

Presentation of accounts and other claims against the City: There was a motion by Sheckler and a second by Strack to approve the 4.19.21 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$261,750.85 with City bills @ \$82,908.24, Utility bills @ \$152,791.73, and Sewer bills @ \$26,050.88. Gross Payroll amounts for 3.26.21 were \$59,482.14 with \$33,553.16 for City, \$18,875.31 for Utility and \$7,053.67 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 4.9.21 were \$58,080.74 with \$32,259.18 for City, \$18,975.82 for Utility, and \$6,845.74 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Committee Reports: none

Old Business: none

New Business:

Discussion and possible action on RFPs for Well 5 Rehab – Town and Country Engineering

Presenting: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to approve the rehab to Well 5 and authorize the DPW to utilize the utility budget funds but no more than \$100k to be spent. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on the razing order on garage removal at 1280 Madison Street: This item requires no action as the removal of the garage occurred over the weekend prior to the Council Meeting.

Discussion and possible action on Opening the Memorial Building to the Public: The City offices will open back up to the Public on Monday, May 3rd, 2021.

Discussion and possible action on awarding mower bids: There was a motion by Day and a second by Sheckler to approve the recommendation from DPW John Murray and purchase the lawn mower from Sloan Implement. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on awarding Street truck bids: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Flynn to approve the bid from Fillback Ford on the Street truck. Motion carried on a roll call vote – 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on awarding Chip seal bids: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to approve the bid from Scott Construction on chip sealing for 2021. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible approval of Street Closing form for minor construction purposes: There was a motion by Day and a second by Adam to approve the proposed Street Closing form to be used for minor construction road closures that the DPW, Clerk and Department heads can sign off on. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible approval of Roof repair estimate: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Sheckler to approve the Midwest Roofing Bid to repair the Memorial Building Roof. All in favor – motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of Sanitary Survey results: DPW John Murray discussed the Sanitary Survey results with the Council. He reported that the DNR strongly encourages the City to look at water rates. Debi was told to put a 3% simplified rate case on the agenda for May.

Discussion and possible approval of adjusting wages for part-time, summer employees: There was a motion by Day and a second by Strack to increase the cemetery seasonal wages to \$12.75 an hour. Motion carried 6-0. Ald. Adam discussed keeping the pool wages the same as last year.

Discussion and possible approval of Pool Use Agreement with Fennimore Community Schools: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Sheckler to approve the Pool Use Agreement with Fennimore Schools for 2021. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible approval of revisions to the RV sight: There was discussion on the RV site and possible restrictions, but the council decided no changes needed to be made.

Discussion and possible approval of revisions to Chapter 18.055 on Park Regulations: There was discussion on revising chapter 18.055 regarding dogs at large and the new dog park. DPW, John Murray will send to Attorney Brownlee for action next month.

Approval of Ordinance No 2021-4-16 Cross Connection Control Section 7.06: DPW John Murray explained the need for a Cross Connection Ordinance. There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to Approve Ordinance 2021-04-16 for Cross Connection Control. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Approval of Ordinance No 2021-4-17 Amendment to Section 10.04(n) of the Municipal Code relating to parking on Lincoln Ave: There was a motion by Day and a second by Sheckler to approve Ordinance 2021-04-17 relating to parking on Lincoln Ave. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on officially naming the youth football field: There was a motion by Day and a second by Flynn to allow The Family of Robert Kenney to give the field its official name and that Debi find the money in the budget for the signage. Motion carried 6-0.

Elect Council President: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to nominated Dave Streif as Council President. No more nominations were made. Motion carried 6-0.

Designating Public Depositories: There was a motion by Day and a second by Strack to approve the following Depositories: Clare Bank, Brinker Capital, LGIP, Peoples Bank and Midwest One. Motion carried 6-0.

Designating official newspaper for required publications: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to approve Fennimore Times as our official newspaper. Motion carried 6-0.

Commission and Board Appointments: This item will be postponed until the next Council Meeting in May.

Approval of pay scale upgrade for Wastewater Employee: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Strack to approve the pay scale upgrade for Chris Kunz. Motion carried 6-0.

Adjourn to closed session for the purpose stated in agenda item 12: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to adjourn to closed session. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

There was a motion by Day and a second by Adam to return to Open session. Motion carried 6-0.

Action, if any on closed session matters: There was a motion by Day and a second by Sheckler to allow Pete Adam to negotiate and approve a job offer to a candidate for the Community Development Manager Position. Motion carried 6-0.

Comments and suggestions from citizens present: none

Communications from the Mayor: none

Schedule Committee Meetings: The infrastructure & Property Committee would like a meeting the first week of May to discuss the sidewalk map.

Adjourn: Motion by Streif, second by Adam to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Debi Heisner, City Clerk

Ryan Boebel, Mayor