

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,
WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 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, Roth, Day, Strack, Streif, and Hagen. City Clerk Debi Heisner and John Murray, DPW were 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 Streif, second by Strack to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Motion carried 8-0.

Consent Agenda:

Minutes of the preceding meeting. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the September 20th, 2021, Council meetings were approved with a motion by Flynn and a second by Hagen. Motion carried 8-0.

Item #15 was moved to Item #6 by Mayor Boebel with council consent. Discussion and possible action on land sale in the Industrial Park: Consideration of and action on adjourning to closed session as authorized by Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c)(e), which authorizes convening in closed session for the purpose of considering the employment, evaluation, compensation of employees, and land acquisition for the purpose's sates in items 12-15. There was a motion by Hagen and a second by Roth to go into closed session @ 5:40 p.m. Motion carried 8-0 on a roll call vote. At 6 p.m. there was a motion by Hagen and a second by Strief to return to open session. All in favor – motion carried. No action was taken on closed session items.

Comments from Pre-registered Citizens: Margaret Sprague, Tree Board was present to update the council on a several Tree Board items.

Reports of Officers:

DPW

Chief of Police

Community Development Manager

Presentation of accounts and other claims against the city: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Sheckler to approve the 10.18.21 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$429,996.01 with City bills @ \$247,791.48, Utility bills @ \$75,788.07, Sewer bills @ \$105,449.02, TIF-CDBG - \$600, and Capital Projects \$367.44. Gross Payroll amounts for 9.24.21 were \$64,711.98 with \$36,526.11 for City, \$18,655.43 for Utility and \$9,530.44 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 10.8.21 were \$58,053.83 with \$33,700.41 for City.

\$16,414.00 for Utility, and \$7,939.42 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Committee Reports: the Personnel Committee met prior to the Council meeting and the Street Superintendent and WWTP positions will be posted with interviews starting November 17th.

Old Business:

Discussion and possible action on Jefferson Street Parking: Alderman Day will speak to Kwik Trip and see if they can and will ask their employees to park other places. No formal action taken.

Discussion and possible action on sidewalk map. Ordinance 21-_____.

The sidewalk map was again discussed. This will be added to next month's agenda with hopes of being finalized.

Discussion and possible action on Substation Control building RFP: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Streif to proceed with this RFP if the amount is within the final reimbursement of the Butter Solar project. All in favor – motion carried.

Discussion and possible action of appointment of Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator: Mayor Boebel is discussing options with 2 entities. This item will be on the next agenda for approval.

New Business:

Discussion and possible action on Eagle Scout project in the City of Fennimore: Keola Cullen was present to ask the Council for support on his upcoming Eagle Scout Project. He is proposing to construct "Blessing Boxes" and he is looking to place a few throughout the community. These boxes would be where community members can give/take non-perishable foods or day-to-day items. He is wondering if there are any areas that we could suggest placing within the Fennimore community. The Council suggested he build them and bring them back to the Memorial Building and we would decide then where to place them. One thought was next to the "Little Library" in front of the Memorial Building.

Discussion and possible action on the recognition at the Business Park for Larry and Carol Jeidy: John Wells, FIEDC was present to discuss the above item. He feels that FIEDC should be recognizing what the Jeidy's did for the city. The Fennimore Business Park would not exist without them. There was a motion by Adam and a second by Hagen to name the entrance and drive to the business park "Jeidy Drive". John Wells will put the story together and FIEDC will pay for the signs. DPW John Murray was asked to order the signs. All in favor - motion carried 8-0.

Discussion of non-residents hooking into City water services. Mayor Boebel was approached by a Town of Fennimore resident about hooking into City water services. It was discussed and unless the party plans to annex into the City of Fennimore the Council agreed it should not happen.

Introduction of Amendment to Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code: The Amendment to Chapter 2 is due to the boundary changes from the 2020 Census. The map was entered exactly as it has been and the percent of difference was under the 10% difference allowed so essentially the ward boundaries will remain the same with one addition of the annexed property from 2019. The formal approval will need to be done at a special meeting November 8th.

Discussion and possible action to approve PTO carryover for The City Mechanic. There was a motion by Strief and a second by Fynn to approve this carryover request. All in favor – motion carried.

FIEDC request for 2022 Funding: There was a motion by Hagen and a second by Strief to approve the 2022 Funding request from FIEDC in the amount of \$5000. \$3000 of this amount is given back to the city for the Community Development Manager wages. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Comments and suggestions from Citizens present:
None

Communications and recommendations from the mayor: None

Adjourn: Motion by Boebel, second by Hagen to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.

Debi Heisner, City Clerk

Ryan Boebel, Mayor