# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

The Regular Council meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Ryan Boebel at 5:33 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 Roth to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Motion carried 8-0.

## Consent Agenda:

## Operators Licenses:

The following Operators were approved with a motion by Strack and a second by Adam. Fantasia Turner and Raymond Hardt: Motion carried 8-0.

Minutes of the preceding meeting. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Council meetings were approved with a motion by Streif and a second by Adam. Motion carried 8-0.

Item #11m was moved to Item #6 by Mayor Boebel with council consent.

Discussion and possible action for services provided to the Fennimore School District for football field light pole removal. Jane Wonderling, Fennimore School District Superintendent was present to ask if the city would be willing to help the school with the removal of light poles from the Football field. There are 82 lights, the poles are wooden and 80 ft tall. After discussion there was a motion by Streif and a second by Hagen to approve the Electric department to assist up to 40 hours free of charge. Any hours above 40 would be billed out at the DOT rate sheet. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

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

Reports of Officers:

Clerk

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 11/15/21 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$288,214.19 with City bills @ \$92,616.16, Utility bills @ \$180,195.65, and Sewer bills @ \$15,402.38, Gross Payroll amounts for 10/22/21 were \$64,942.83 with \$41,543.59 for City, \$17,812.93 for Utility and \$5,586.31 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 11.58.21 were \$58,954.95 with \$35,277.58 for City. \$16,044.20 for Utility, and \$7,633.17 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

*Committee Reports:* The Personnel Committee will be starting interviews for the Street Department and WWTP December 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Old Business:

Discussion and possible action of approving the hiring of a new Building/Electrical /Plumbing /HVAC/ Soil Erosion Inspector: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Adam to approve the GEC Engineering Consulting Contract. All in favor – motion carried 8-0.

Approval of sidewalk map and or ordinance amendment: This item should be resolved at the December meeting. The ordinance needs to be amended and DPW John Murray will need to discuss with Attorney Brownlee the new verbiage for the amendment. There was a motion by Boebel and seconded by Adam to add the Ss 66.15 wording. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

#### New Business:

Introduction to Amendment to Chapter 2 of the Municipal code regarding Redistricting of Wards in the City of Fennimore: The introduction of the amendment to Chapter 2 was made by Clerk Heisner. Council reviewed.

Public Hearing on the Redistricting of the city of Fennimore Aldermanic Districts: The Mayor opened the above public hearing at 5:59 p.m. and no one was present to discuss so the public hearing was closed at 6 p.m.

Adoption of Ordinance 2021-12 AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE SECTIONS 2.01 AND 2.02 OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE RELATING TO THE READJUSTMENT OF WARD BOUNDARIES AND ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS DUE TO REDISTRICTING: There was a motion by Day and a second by Streif to approve and accept the amendment to Chapter 2 for the redistricting of Wards in the City of Fennimore. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Public Hearing on 2022 City Budget; and suggestions from citizens present: The Public hearing was opened at 6:00 p.m. There were some questions on the upcoming street projects and park capital account. The Public hearing was closed at 6:07 p.m.

Discussion and possible action on the 2022 City Budget: There was a motion by Hagen and a second by Streif to approve the 2022 budget as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Discussion and possible action on purchasing Chamber Bucks for City employees for Christmas gifts: There was a motion by Day and a second by Adam to approve \$50 Chamber bucks for City Employees. All in favor - motion carried 8-0.

Discussion and possible action on the hiring of a Financial Consultant to review the City's financial position: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Day to proceed with Baird on reviewing the financial position of the City regarding the upcoming street projects and capital improvements plan. All in favor - motion carried 8-0.

Discussion and possible approval of obtaining services through Global Life/Liberty National Division for Life Insurance Benefits: There was a motion by Flynn and a second by Sheckler to allow the City to obtain services through Global Life/Liberty National Life insurance benefits. All in favor - motion carried 8-0.

Discussion and possible action on approving Resolution 2021-11-15 regarding wages: There was a motion by

Adam and a second by Hagen to approve the above resolution regarding the mechanic wages effective October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Discussion and possible action on proposal for Sanitary Sewer CCTV Inspection: DPW John Murray explained that this inspection should be done due to the upcoming street projects. It will help locate laterals and tighten up the bid process. There was a motion by Day and a second by Hagen to approve the bid from Visu-Sewer for this inspection per Town and Country's recommendation. Motion carried on a roll call vote. 8-0.

Discussion and possible approval on Proposal for Geotechnical Services for 2022 soil boring: DPW John Murray explained that this soil boring should be done due to the upcoming street projects. There was a motion by Streif and a second by Adam to approve the proposal from CGC upon Town and Country's recommendations. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

Discussion and possible action on purchasing a replacement mower for the Cemetery: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Hagen to purchase the mower from Sloan Implement for \$4400. Motion cariied 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