

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE COMMON  
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,  
WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

The Regular Council meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Ryan Boebel at 5:30 p.m.

*Roll Call* was taken with the following alderpersons answering present: Adam, Chiefari, Sheckler, Roth, Day, Strack, Streif and Hagen. City Clerk Ashley Walker and Deputy Clerk Treasurer Ashley Mumm 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 Hagen 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 December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Council meetings were approved with a motion by Day and a second by Strack. Motion carried 8-0.

*Comments from Pre-registered Citizens:* Margaret Sprague, Tree Board, was present to update on the Tree Committee.

Jennifer Day, Grant County Circuit Court Judge Candidate introduced herself, and discussed the upcoming primary election.

***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 01/16/2023 Council Claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$814,978.26 with City bills at \$490,960.96 Utility bills at \$268,391.77 and Sewer bills at \$18,193.42, TIF \$32,158.83 and Capital Projects \$5,273.28. Gross Payroll amounts for 12/30/22 were \$71,708.55 with \$39,795.58 for City \$21,982.96 for Utility and \$9,930.01 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 01/13/23 were \$63,998.47 with \$36,706.11 for City, \$18,648.34 for Utility, and \$8,644.02 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

***Committee Reports:*** None

***Unfinished Business:*** None

***New Business:***

*Discussion and possible approval on Outdoor Recreation Plan:* Jaclyn Essandoh, Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, Margaret Sprague, Tree Board, and Jessica Helms, Community Development Manager presented their Outdoor Recreation Plan. Discussion was had regarding the timelines included in the plan, which were affirmed that they were not concrete deadlines, just guidelines. There was a motion by Adam and a second by Streif to approve the Outdoor Recreation Plan. Motion carried 8-0.

*Discussion and possible action regarding appointing authorized representative to file applications for assistance on bids.* No action, as this is acceptable per the procurement policy.

*Discussion and possible action on 2023 Schedule of Fees:* Updates were made since the December meeting. There was a motion to approve by Adam, and a second by Day. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

*Discussion on Alternate Side Parking:* There was much discussion on this agenda item, but no action was taken.

*Discussion and possible action on Duty Pay:* Tabled. Will discuss first at Personnel Committee.

*Discussion on possible City acquisition of vacant land*

*Discussion and possible action on end of year payroll*

*Discussion and possible action on employee benefits*

*Consideration of moving into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(e) for Item #12 which permits convening in closed session for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, and pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(c) for Item #13 & 14 for the purpose of reviewing employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of city employees.*

*There was a motion by Day and a second by Adam to go into Closed Session:* Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

*Return to open session:* There was a motion by Strack and a second by Roth to return to open session. Motion carried 8-0.

Action, if any is required, to be taken in open session, on closed session matters.

There was a motion by Chiefari and seconded by Day to approve purchase of vacant land (Fox Croft South) for \$85,500.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

*Adjourn:* Motion by Roth, second by Day to adjourn at 7:01 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.

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Ashley Walker, City Clerk

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Ryan Boebel, Mayor

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