

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,  
WISCONSIN HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 17<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 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 Day to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Motion carried 8-0.

***Consent Agenda:***

*The following Operators were approved with a motion by Day and a second by Strack:* Kelli Colson, Lisa Fuerstenberg, Kimberly Sweeney, Jennifer Trumm, Mary Wall, Erich Ahrens, Erin Erb, Raegan Schwendinger, Shannon Starkey, Brenda Wood, Melanie Grisel, Lyndi Little, Natasha Klais, Elizabeth Wagner, Johnathan Halverson, Madelyn Roh, Belinda Lewis, and Angel Ackerman. Motion carried 8-0.

Minutes of the preceding meeting. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Regular Meeting and June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Special Meeting were approved with a motion by Adam, and a second by Roth. Motion carried 8-0.

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

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 7/17/2023 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$449,794.60 with City bills at \$192,563.34 Utility bills at \$238,060.89, Sewer bills at \$19,170.37 TIF-CDBG bills at \$0, and Capital Projects at \$0. Gross Payroll amounts for 06/30/2023 were \$68,843.81 with \$41,660.18 for City, \$20,650.94 for Utility and \$6,532.69 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 07/14/2023 were \$65,808.14 with \$39,507.12 for City, \$18,619.84 for Utility, and \$7,681.18 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

***Committee Reports:*** None

***Unfinished Business:*** None

***New Business:***

*Discussion and possible action on squad build estimates*-There was a motion by Day and a second by Adam to approve the lowest bid to Belco Vehicle Solutions in Portage for \$11,184.13. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

*Discussion and possible action on closing the office for training*-Discussion to have Lydia, CDM, begin some training in the office to accept utility payments. There was a motion by Day and a second by Roth to approve the closing of the Office on September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> for Civic Training. Motion carried 8-0.

*Discussion and possible approval of water softener ordinance*-There was a motion by Adam and a second by Streif to approve the Water Softener Ordinance to go into Ordinance 7.03 (4) Sewage Utility. Motion carried on a roll call vote. 8-0.

*Discussion on replacing curb and gutter on Brownwood Rd*-Project is currently pushed back to August. DPW, John Murray, updated some of the items that we were looking to get done for curb and gutters, and was able to lower the cost by \$12,000

*Discussion and possible action on regulator controls for Industrial Substation C*-No action needed

*Discussion and possible action on storm sewer*-Town & Country game up with 3 different options. There was a motion by Adam and a second by Streif to get official bids on option 1 (no changes to the storm sewer location-Replace where it currently is. Motion carried 8-0.

*Discussion on brush and compost site*-Try to extend the hours at this time. Council doesn't want to hand out keys, or do contracts.

*Discussion and possible action on 2024 Petition for Road Aid*-There was a motion by Day and a second by Roth to approve the \$2,000 towards the Road Aid. Motion carried 8-0.

*Discussion and possible action on land acquisition*- Consideration of moving into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 19.85(1)(c) for item I 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. There was a motion by Streif and a second by Roth to go into closed session at 6:25 pm. Motion carried with a roll call vote 8-0.

*Return to Open Session*-There was a motion by Roth and a second by Adam to return to open session. Motion carried with a roll call vote 8-0.

There was a motion by Adam and a second by Streif to approve the Offer to Purchase with the addition of a renewal amendment. Motion carried on a roll call vote 8-0.

*Comments and suggestions from Citizens present:* Margaret Sprague, Tree Board Representative, asked that their board be included with the plans for the storm sewer at Oakwood Nature Park.

*Communications and recommendations from the mayor-*Josh Copsey, Building Inspector, is meeting with Mayor Ryan Boebel, and Ben Wood, City Attorney, for the next steps on public nuisance properties in town.

*Schedule Committee meetings:* None

*Adjourn:* Motion by Roth, second by Day to adjourn at 6:52 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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