

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,
WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 2024**

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, Sheckler, Roth, Strack, Streif and Hagen. Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Ashley Mumm, and DPW, Jordan Fritche 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 City Clerk-Treasurer. Motion by Streif, second by Strack to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

Consent Agenda:

The following Operators were approved: Hunter Knotwell. There was a motion by Strack, and a second by Adam to approve the attached list of Operators. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of the preceding meeting. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the November 18th, 2024 Regular Meeting was approved with a motion by Strack, and a second by Streif. Motion carried 6-0.

Comments from Pre-registered Citizens:

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 12/16/2024 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$392,813.38 with City bills at \$84,746.26, Utility bills at \$293,244.23, Sewer bills at \$14,822.89, TIF-CDBG bills at \$0, and Capital Projects at \$0. Gross Payroll amounts for 11/29/2024 were \$70,372.82 with \$40,986.36 for City, \$21,047.81 for Utility and \$8,338.65 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 12/13/2024 were \$78,704.26 with \$44,156.26 for City, \$22,292.66 for Utility, and \$12,255.34 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Committee Reports: None

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Public Hearing on 2025 City budget; and suggestions from citizens present: Tabled

Possible approval of Resolution 2024-12-16A Adopting the 2025 Budget and establishing the tax levy for the City of Fennimore: Tabled.

Possible approval of the 2025 wage resolution 2024-12-16B for non-union employees for the City of Fennimore: There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Roth to approve the 2025 wage resolution 2024-12-16B for non-union employees. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on using GO Funds to purchase dump truck: There was a motion by Streif, and a second by Adam to use up to \$240,000 in GO Funds for the purchase of a dump/snow truck. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on Chamber Bucks for employees: There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Roth to approve the payment of \$50 Chamber Bucks per full-time employees, and \$25 Chamber Bucks for part-time employees. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on using GO Funds to purchase a new copy machine: There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Roth to approve up to \$5,500 to put towards a new copy machine, however Council asked to get another bid from Access Systems. City Clerk and Alder Adam will work together to choose best fit. Motion carried by roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible approval on 2025 fuel bids: There was a motion by Streif, and a second by Hagen to go with New Horizons with \$0.10 over “mark-up over cost” for no ethanol unleaded gasoline and premium diesel, and \$0.02 over “mark-up over cost” for transport loads. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Ordinance No 2024-12-16C to repeal and recreate Chapter 7: Tabled.

Discussion and possible action on 2025 Schedule of Fees: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Sheckler to approve the 2025 Schedule of Fees. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion on zoning ordinance violation: No action taken. Tabled to next month.

Discussion and possible action on employee contracts

Discussion and possible action on Public Works Maintenance Worker

There was a motion by Roth and a second by Hagen to consider moving into closed session at 6:14 pm. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Return to open session: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Roth to return to open session at 6:19 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Streif to approve the contract for Director of Public Works, City Clerk-Treasurer, Assistant Police Chief, and Police Chief as discussed. Motion carried 6-0.

There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Strack to retain Public Works Maintenance Worker at least through the end of January, or until position is filled. Motion carried 6-0.

Comments and suggestions from Citizens present: None

Communications and recommendations from the mayor: None

Schedule Committee meetings: None

Adjourn: Motion by Roth, second by Hagen to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Ashley Edge, City Clerk-Treasurer

Ryan Boebel, Mayor
