## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

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, Kretschman, Roth, Day, Strack, Streif, and Hagen.

*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 7-0.

## Consent Agenda:

*The following Operators were approved*: Emily Crubel and Corrina Friederick. There was a motion by Hagen, and a second by Strack to approve the Operator's licenses. Motion carried 6-0 with 1 abstaining.

*Minutes of the preceding meeting*. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 Regular Meeting was approved with a motion by Day, and a second by Kretschman. Motion carried 7-0.

Comments from Pre-registered Citizens:

Reports of Officers:

Clerk

**DPW** 

Chief of Police

Presentation of accounts and other claims against the city: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Day to approve the 08/18/2025 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$406,238.04 with City bills at \$135,879.66, Utility bills at \$165,927.93, Sewer bills at \$14,582.10, TIF-CDBG bills at \$57600.75, and Capital Projects at \$32,247.60. Gross Payroll amounts for 07/25/2025 were \$75,852.97 with \$48,559.70 for City, \$16,825.31 for Utility and \$10,467.96 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 08/08/2025 were \$73,974.27 with \$48,180.36 for City, \$17,968.52 for Utility and \$7,825.39 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Committee Reports: Unfinished Business: New Business:

*Discussion and possible action on Disc Golf Updates:* Gabe Fry and Mark Davenport gave updates on the disc golf course. They wanted to know where the no poke zone is, and if any land is leased out there to farmers, and if so, where that is. DPW, Downing, will work with Gabe to locate. They were asking \$500 to replace or put new tee pads

in at 7 hole locations. There was a motion by Day, and a second by Streif to approve \$500 to put towards that purchase of new tee pads. Motion carried 7-0.

**Discussion and possible action on sewer rate study:** Evan Chamber from Town & Country Sanitation was presenting a potential sewer rate increase to ensure the City is not paying over a 40 year time span for the WWTP, even though the plant will likely only last anywhere from 20 to 30 years before needing major repairs/replacement. With the impending 2028 highway project on 12<sup>th</sup> St, and disinfectant limits to be required in the next 5 years at a cost of roughly \$1 million, the suggestion was to increase sewer base charges as well as usage charges to offset the impending charges, as well as being able to pay off the loan at a quicker rate than the 40 years it is currently at. After much discussion, council asked Evan to look at a tiered approach to the increase, as well as looking at a 25 year repayment plan vs the proposed 20 year. Item was tabled.

*Discussion and possible action on updated Wrestling Den Lease:* There was a motion by Streif, and a second by Adam to approve the Wrestling Den Lease with the Fennimore Wresting Association to expire December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Motion carried 7-0.

*Discussion and possible approval of CDM Job Description:* There was a motion by Adam, and second by Roth to approve the proposed CDM Job Description as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

**Discussion and possible action on no parking on 7<sup>th</sup> St:** The request was to add no parking next to the Quonset Hut on 7<sup>th</sup> St. Mayor Boebel asked DPW, Downing, to go out and measure the space, and have Attorney, Ben Wood, update Chapter 10 of the Municipal Ordinance. Item was tabled.

*Discussion and possible approval of streetlight purchase:* There was a motion by Day and a second by Adam to approve \$8,210 toward the purchase of 20 new street lights. Motion carried on a roll call vote 7-0.

Comments and suggestions from Citizens present:
Communications and recommendations from the mayor:
Schedule Committee meetings: P&A either on the 25th or 26th of August.
Adjourn: Motion by Roth, second by Adam to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.
Ashley Edge, City Clerk-Treasurer
Ryan Boebel, Mayor