

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,
WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2025**

The Regular Council meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Ryan Boebel at 5:32 p.m.

Roll Call was taken with the following alderpersons answering present. Chiefari, Kretschman, Roth, Strack, Streif, and Hagen. Brian and Jennifer Heisz from Fennimore EMS, Ben Heidemann and Lydia Nelson from Town & Country Engineering DPW, Anthony Downing, and Clerk-Treasurer, Ashley Edge were also in attendance.

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: Daytona Blaney. There was a motion by Strack, and a second by Hagen to approve the Operator's licenses. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes of the preceding meeting. Approval of minutes if correct, and corrections of mistakes: The minutes from the August 18th, 2025 Regular Meeting and the September 8th, 2025 Emergency Council Meeting was approved with a motion by Streif, and a second by Strack. Motion carried 6-0.

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 Strack to approve the 09/15/2025 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$250,824.92 with City bills at \$46,819.17, Utility bills at \$174,694.51, Sewer bills at \$24,634.24, TIF-CDBG bills at \$0, and Capital Projects at \$4,677.00. Gross Payroll amounts for 08/22/2025 were \$81,027.62 with \$48,964.37 for City, \$24,412.41 for Utility and \$7,650.84 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 09/05/2025 were \$71,399.82 with \$42,217.39 for City, \$21,557.77 for Utility and \$7,624.66 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Committee Reports:

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Discussion and possible action on sewer rate study: The recommendation is to choose option C from the handout, and increase the sewer rates over the next three years, and set aside the "excess" money to pay for the 2028 DOT

project. In 2029, the “excess” money will go toward the WWTP loan at a 25 year payback. A resolution will be brought back to October’s meeting.

Discussion and possible action on Rescue Squad Request: Brian and Jennifer Heisz discussed the hardship the EMS is having with getting volunteers. They’re asking the City of Fennimore to give 53% of \$250,000 to use as payroll to recruit members. They are reaching out to other Municipalities with the same request. Brian will check with his volunteers to gauge interest. Tabled until next month.

Discussion and possible approval of CDM Job Posting: An update to state that the job description will be posted in the paper, and online.

Discussion and possible action on Grant County collecting property taxes for 2026: There was a motion by Roth, and a second by Streif to approve Grant County’s Tax Collection rates in 2026. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible approval of Railroad Museum Signs: There was a motion by Roth, and a second by Strack to approve the permanent signs pending zoning and state approval, at the Railroad Museum. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible approval of farm lease agreement: There was a motion by Streif and a second by Hagen to approve the farm lease agreement with Martin Farmily Grain and/or Kiel Martin. Motion carried 6-0.

Comments and suggestions from Citizens present:

Communications and recommendations from the mayor:

Schedule Committee meetings: P&A and Property & Infrastructure need to be scheduled.

Adjourn: Motion by Roth, second by Streif to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Ashley Edge, City Clerk-Treasurer

Ryan Boebel, Mayor