

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY,
WISCONSIN HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 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, Day, Strack, Streif, and Hagen. Brian Heisz from Fennimore EMS, Mary Ann Stenner, Larry Novinska, and Dan Stepanek from Marsden Park Trustees, Library Director, Cathy Smith, Water/WWTP Employee, Justin Tollefson, Chuck Stenner, Zachary and Alexandria Udelhoven, Director of Public Works 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: Jennifer Ohlhauser. There was a motion by Day, 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 September 15th, 2025 Regular Meeting with a motion by Strack, and a second by Kretschman. 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 Hagen to approve the 10/20/2025 Council claims with the breakdown of bills to their respective accounts for a total of \$485,310.86 with City bills at \$209,272.68, Utility bills at \$213,103.52, Sewer bills at \$37,331.66, TIF-CDBG bills at \$25,603.00, and Capital Projects at \$0. Gross Payroll amounts for 09/19/2025 were \$70,681.31 with \$37,558.74 for City, \$26,800.17 for Utility and \$6,322.40 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 10/03/2025 were \$61,625.08 with \$34,716.22 for City, \$19,857.46 for Utility and \$7,051.40 for Sewer. Gross Payroll amounts for 10/17/2025 were \$65,541.43 with \$34,835.48 for City, \$23,808.80 for Utility and \$6,897.15 for Sewer. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Committee Reports:

Unfinished Business:

Tree Board Update-Margaret Sprague: No update given.

Discussion and possible action on Rescue Squad Request: Brian Heisz said they have 3 people who are interested currently if full-time was offered. Brian stated that \$345,000 was a more accurate overall dollar figure that they'd like to see split between the area municipalities. Mayor Boebel suggested forming an Ad-Hoc Committee, comprised of Sarah Kretschman, Adam Day, and Jeff Hagen. Brian Heisz will have three people representing the EMS.

Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2025-10-20A Increasing Rates for Wastewater System: There was a motion by Day, and a second by Strack to approve Resolution 2025-10-20A to Increase Rates for Wastewater System.

New Business:

Discussion and possible action on Marsden Park permit and maintenance: There was a motion by Day, and a second by Streif to approve completing the building permit, and waiving the associated fees for the permit. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on updating the procurement policy: There was a motion by Streif, and a second by Adam to approve updating the procurement policy to be a limit of \$10,000 opposed to the \$5,000 as long it is legally ok to do so. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on purchasing a sewer camera: No action taken.

Discussion and possible action on West Tower Maintenance Contract: Bids from USG and Dixon Engineering to maintenance on West Tower Maintenance were presented. USG is proposing a contract for year 1-\$10,000 year 2-6-\$68,877, year 7-\$22,474, year 8-\$23,270, and year 9-\$24,093. Council asked Tollefson to reach out to other Municipalities who utilize USG, and to sit with Clerk-Treasurer to see if the budget can withstand the yearly payments. No action taken.

Discussion and possible action on reallocating GO Funds: There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Streif to approve reallocating GO Funds to purchase a Sewer Truck. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion on no parking by Fire Station: Fire Chief, Todd Bresee, asked if the City can paint the curb starting on 8th St and wrap around to Jefferson St. Council was fine with the request.

Discussion and possible action on MOU for parcel # 226-00655-0030: There was a motion by Day, and a second by Streif to approve the MOU between the City of Fennimore, and parcel #226-00655-0030 owners Robert and Cynthia Krantz. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on allowing food, drinks, and guns in gymnasium: There was a motion by Day, and a second by Kretschman to approve the To the Cross Missions Sports Banquet on November 14, 2025 to allow food, non-alcoholic beverages, and guns for raffles. Motion carried 6-60.

Discussion and possible action to amend Chapter 10 Ordinance 2025-10-20B: There was a motion by Streif, and a second by Adam to amend Chapter 10 Ordinance 2025-10-20B to create a four way stop on Madison on 8th St and Madison and 9th St going North and South Bound. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on non-resident water hook ups: There was a motion by Day, and a second by Hagen to allow Mayor Boebel to move forward with Attorney Ben Wood to create an agreement for non-residents to hook up to City of Fennimore water. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion and possible action on hiring a street worker

There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to consider moving into closed session at 6:44 pm. Motion carried on a roll call vote 6-0.

Return to open session: There was a motion by Adam and a second by Day to return to open session at 6:57 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

There was a motion by Adam, and a second by Day to approve candidate #2 for the Street Maintenance Worker position. Motion carried 6-0.

Comments and suggestions from Citizens present:

Communications and recommendations from the mayor:

Schedule Committee meetings:

Adjourn: Motion by Adam, second by Hagen to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Ashley Edge, City Clerk-Treasurer

Ryan Boebel, Mayor