

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF FENNIMORE, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2007**

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Stenner at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following alderpersons answering present: Linda Stephenson, Gerald Bollant, Sara Brodt, Dan Bender, Dave Streif, Jon Miles, Greg Fry and Marcia Bahl. Others present: Dorothy Bloedow, Correne Morgan, Police Chief Rick Kreul, DPW John Murphy and Clerk Margaret Sprague.

Proof in the form of a certificate of public notice given as required by Section 19.84, Wisc. Stats, as to the holding of this meeting, was presented by the Clerk. Motion by Brodt second by Streif to approve the proof of posting and agenda. Carried.

Mayor Stenner opened the public hearing on proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 19 of the Municipal Code) including modifications to s. 10.03 relating to regulating electronic and digital signs, creation of s. 10.07 prohibiting illuminated flashing signs and creation of s 8.32 relating to regulating the construction of metal buildings. Much concern was expressed about the proposals, including wanting to see the sign and building issues in separate ordinances. Dorothy Bloedow, manager at Kwik Trip, expressed concerns about the limitations of the regulations for changing the message on the digital signs as they are planning to get one soon. Also, questions about the requirements for metal structures were raised. Council members expressed interest in having the Plan Commission do further study on the matters.

Mayor Stenner closed the hearing at approx. 7:55 p.m.

Motion by Miles second by Brodt to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2007, regular meeting as printed by the Clerk. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve the September Police Report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve the purchase of a vehicular repeater for the police car radio from General Communications at a cost of \$2,685.50. Upon roll call vote, all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Brodt second by Streif to approve the October Director of Public Works Report as presented. Carried.

DPW John Murphy gave an update on activities relating to the Lincoln Avenue reconstruction project and ribbon cutting ceremony planned for October 18th.

Motion by Streif second by Brodt to approve the Mayor's appointment of Linda Stephenson to the Fennimore Industrial & Economic Development Corp. Board as the City Council representative, effective January 1, 2008, due to the resignation of Ald. Miles. Carried.

Discussed interest in holding another City strategic planning session for council members. The last one was held in April 2005. Members are interested in holding one in January or February 2008. The Mayor and Clerk will check into setting one up.

Discussed interest in adopting an ordinance to allow operation of neighborhood electric vehicles on city streets. Members are interested and asked that Atty. Brownlee prepare the necessary ordinance.

No action on zoning ordinance amendments-- referred back to Plan Commission.

The Finance Committee presented claims of \$71,021.15 - General City; \$32,163.43 - Utility; \$7,888.62- Sewer; and \$55,894.49- September 28<sup>th</sup> payroll. Motion by Fry second by Streif that these bills be approved and paid by the proper officials. Upon roll call vote all alderpersons present voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Fry second by Brodt to adjourn. Carried.

This meeting was adjourned at approx. 8:40 p.m.