

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS,  
COLUMBUS, MONTANA HELD FEBRUARY 22, 2022, AT 7:00 P.M.**

<b>COUNCIL PRESENT OFFICERS PRESENT</b>	The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Webb Mandeville, began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Council persons present were Bob Fitzgerald, Tim Mayo, Danen Johannes, Cole Waltner (via zoom), Rick White, and Terry Nystul. Staff members, Police Chief Gary Timm, Fire Chief Rich Cowger and City Clerk Kisha Cornell.
<b>SIDELINE IN PERSON</b>	No public in attendance.
<b>REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED</b>	The Mayor asked Council if they had reviewed the minutes of the February 7, 2022, regular meeting, and if there were any additions deletions or corrections. Terry Nystul moved to approve the minutes as presented of the regular meeting, seconded by Rick White; Roll call for vote Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul and Rich White all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed.
<b>DELINQUENT SHUTOFF LIST</b>	The shut off list for the month of February 2022 was presented to Council. Tim Mayo moved to approve the list as presented, seconded by Terry Nystul; Roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed.
<b>PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS</b>	The Mayor gave a reminder the Council that the Planning Working Session would be prior to the next meeting and would begin at 5:30 p.m. on March 7 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>REPORTS</b>	Reports presented by: Public Works Director, City Attorney and City Clerk
<b>FIRE DEPT.</b>	Chief Cowger was present and presented a written report. He extended a thank you to the Council and Mayor for attending the Strategic Planning meeting. Chief Cowger also noted the AFG and SAFER grants in his report. Tim Mayo asked how many positions the grant funds would cover, the Cowger responded with three staff members.
<b>POLICE</b>	Police Chief Timm was present and presented a written report. He said that he had begun the process of employee evaluations, no other questions from Council.
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	Public Works Director Scott Caton provided a report for Council. He was not present and there were no questions from Council.
<b>ATTORNEY</b>	City Attorney Addis presented a report. Was unavailable for the meeting, no questions from Council.
<b>CITY JUDGE</b>	No report from the Court.
<b>CLERK</b>	The Clerk provided a report no questions from the Council.
<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS-</b>	No Committee Reports
<b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b>	The City Councils’ decision on the Health Benefit Provider for the 2022/2023 fiscal year. Bob Fitzgerald made the motion to remain with MMIA, seconded by Rick White, discussion was that this was the best choice and that the information was marketing for the company and how they operate. A vote was called by the Mayor, Roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed to remain with MMIA for the 2022/2023 fiscal year.
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	Street Light District information was provided to the City Council and the desire for a citizen that lives in the Sandstone subdivision off of Centennial Road to have better lighting on the street. Northwestern Energy has provided a monthly cost and a cost for construction. The Mayor suggested that the City contact Mr. Allen to see if could better describe this need and to voice the request at a Council meeting or through one of the

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<p><b><i>NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED</i></b></p>	<p>Council members. The Clerk will do this and await some response for the next meeting.</p> <p>The Airport Board recommendation for the FAA Grant application for T-Hangars was brought before the City Council. Terry Nystul moved to approve this application, seconded by Bob Fitzgerald, Roll call for vote Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul and Rich White all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed.</p> <p>The Airport Board recommends proceeding with a \$7,500.00 grant for placement of weather cameras at the Airport. The grant is provided by MDT. This grant will cover construction and equipment of the camera up to \$7,500.00, as explained by Rich Cowger the Board chairperson. Bob Fitzgerald motioned to proceed with the grant, seconded by Danen Johannes, Roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed.</p> <p>The Airport Board recommends the adoption of the City-County Joint Resolution amendments to document 2001-26. Bob Fitzgerald motioned to waive the reading of the Resolution, seconded by Tim Mayo, Roll call vote Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul and Rich White all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed to waive the reading.</p> <p>Bob Fitzgerald made the motion to adopt the Joint Resolution as written, seconded by Terry Nystul, Roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes, opposed – no sign. Motion passed.</p>
<p><b><i>COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA</i></b></p>	<p>Rick White inquired about the flagpole and why there were no flags flying. The Clerk responded by telling them that the rope was damaged and that a work order had been placed with Public Works. Hope to get it done soon.</p>
<p><b><i>ADJOURNMENT</i></b></p>	<p>Terry Nystul, motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Rich White, all yea votes no opposition. Meeting adjourned.</p>

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WEBB MANDEVILLE, MAYOR

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KISHA K. CORNELL, CLERK-TREASURER