

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


COUNCIL PRESENT OFFICERS PRESENT	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 Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes. Staff members, Police Chief Gary Timm, Public Works Director Scott Caton and City Clerk Kisha Cornell.
SIDELINE IN PERSON	Jay Baum, Randy and Nancy Baum, Randy Allen, Marlo Pronovost of the Stillwater County News, Lowell Cutshaw of Interstate Engineering and Jacob Cote of Interstate Engineering.
PUBLIC HEARING	Wastewater treatment facility preliminary engineering report (PER) The review of the document was published in the Stillwater County News on October 27 and November 3 rd . The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. and requested any comments, being non verbal or written the hearing was closed at 7:02 p.m.
REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED	The Mayor asked Council if they had reviewed the minutes of the October 17, 2022, regular meeting, and if there were any additions deletions or corrections. Terry Nystul moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting as written, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.
CLAIMS LIST	The claims list for the month of October 2022 was presented to Council. Tim Mayo made a motion to approve the list as presented. Seconded by Cole Waltner; roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS	<p>The Mayor read the Clerk-Treasurer's resignation letter to Council and noted that he wanted to work quickly to get a replacement.</p> <p>Randy Allen briefly explained that he would like to get a committee together to begin a City-wide beautification project. This plan would allow for mural paintings on electrical boxes, light bases etc. His plan would be to allow local artists the opportunity to paint tasteful artwork that personifies the Stillwater County/Columbus way of life with outdoor and wildlife. He requested councils' permission to move forward with a committee. Danen Johannes noted that the maintenance of the paintings would need to be addressed. Also, the permission for utility boxes needed to be done by the committee as the City could not extend this permission. Mr. Allen was appreciative and will move forward and update the Council on the progress.</p> <p>Jason Cote the planning engineer for Interstate Engineering presented both the Sidewalk and Parks master plans to Council. Key elements of both plans were noted and it was explained that these documents are the first step towards future funding for Park and sidewalk projects.</p>
FIRE DEPT. POLICE	<p>Rich Cowger the Fire Chief was not present, and no report was provided.</p> <p>Police Chief Timm was present, he presented a report to Council. He reported that Jarod Vance was receiving an award for his life saving application of NARCAN to a participant at the Carbon County Iron Horse event in Red Lodge last summer. No other additions to his report and no questions from Council.</p>

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PUBLIC WORKS	The Public Works Director provided a report for Council. Scott let Council know that there would be a walk through on Tuesday November 8 th with the COP Construction and Interstate Engineering on the conditions and plans for the streets, Council is invited to attend.
ATTORNEY	The City Attorney was not present and did not provide a report
CITY JUDGE	No reports from the Court
CLERK	The Clerk provided a report and expressed her appreciate for her time with the City. No questions from Council.
PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS:	No Public Comment.
COMMITTEE REPORTS-	No Committee Reports
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	No unfinished business
NEW BUSINESS	<p>Presentation from Lowell Cutshaw of Interstate Engineering on the Wastewater Preliminary Engineering Report. The presentation included four projects. The Headworks, UV system, Aerators, and Sludge removal from lagoons. The report equates the total amount of the project and the equivalent increase in sewer rates to customers if the City were to move forward with the upgrades. Lowell explained that per DEQ, and other funding sources this PER needs to be brought before the citizens, allowed for a comment period of 30 days, then the Council can accept the document with a resolution. This process will provide the mechanism to move forward with loan acquisition. Council did not have questions.</p> <p>Memorandum of Understanding between City of Columbus and Montana Federation of Public Employees- Columbus Police Department for the Canine Officer. The Document was presented to Council. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to accept the agreement, seconded by Cole Waltner; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul and Rick White all yea votes, motion passes.</p> <p>Agreement between City of Columbus and Stillwater County – designation of Stillwater County Justice of the Peace as City Judge. Terry Nystul made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Tim Mayo; roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes all yea votes, motion passes.</p> <p>Official Street Naming of road to and within Itch-kep-pe Park, Itch-kep-pe Park Road is the suggested name. Terry Nystul made a motion to approve the suggested name of Itch-kep-pe Park Road, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald and Danen Johannes all yea votes, motion passes.</p>

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	<p>Construction street repair work additive to current water replacement plans in the amount of \$14628.00 is being requested from Scott Caton, Public Works Director. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the additional repair work in the amount of \$14,628.00, seconded by Terry Nystul; roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald and Danen Johannes all yeas votes, motion passes.</p> <p>First Reading of Ordinance NO. 362 – Ordinance Amending Zoning sections</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Definition of "Temporary commercial use" in Chapter 17.08.10 2) Group 3 Temporary Uses and Group 4 Temporary Uses in Chapter 17.96.070 3) Schedule of fees, charges and expenses in Chapter 17.116.070 <p>Amending zoning sections in chapters 17.08.10, 17.96.070 and 17.116.070</p> <p>Cole Waltner made a motion to waive the reading of the ordinance, seconded by Bob Fitzgerald, no discussion, roll call for vote Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yeas votes motion passes.</p> <p>Request from Public Works to switch the November 8th election holiday for the day after Thanksgiving November 25 to accommodate work schedules and minimize overtime expense. Tim May made a motion to allow this switch, seconded by Terry Nystul, roll call for vote Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yeas votes motion passes.</p>
COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA	No comments
ADJOURNMENT	Webb Mandeville requested a Motion to Adjourn. Bob Fitzgerald made the motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. seconded by Terry Nystul.



 WEBB MANDEVILLE, MAYOR



 KISHA K. CORNELL, CLERK-TREASURER