

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS,
COLUMBUS, MONTANA HELD SEPTEMBER 6, 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, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes. Staff members, Police Chief Gary Timm, Public Works Director Scott Caton, City Attorney Ryan Addis via zoom and City Clerk Kisha Cornell.
SIDELINE IN PERSON	Marlo Pronovost, Stillwater County News, Forrest Mandeville Stillwater County Contract Planner, Caleb Laszloffy, and Chylo Laszloffy.
PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET 22/23	The Public Hearing for the City of Columbus Budget was opened at 7:00 p.m., being no verbal or written comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:01 p.m.
REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED	The Mayor asked Council if they had reviewed the minutes of the August 15, 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 Cole Waltner; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.
CLAIMS	The claims list for the month of August 2022 was presented to Council. Rick White made a motion to approve the claims list as presented, seconded by Tim Mayo; roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS	Forrest Mandeville the Contract County Planner presented the staff report and recommendations from the City/County Planning Board. The City/County Planning Board met on August 23, 2022. The public hearing on the subdivision was held on July 26, 2022. The Memo provided to City Council which was drafted by the Planning Office was briefly summarized by Forrest. Forrest noted that changes to the document were noted by underlined text and strikethrough text. The Subdivision name is called Pioneer Landing Subdivision which is a Planned Unit Development Subdivision which allows for some relaxation in zoning and is allowable. The document contains 31 conditions of approval as outlined by the staff and recommended by the City/County Planning Board. The provision allows for a review time period and it will be requested that the City Council review and come back with a decision at the October 3 rd meeting, but no later than October 17 th . Forrest concluded the presentation with providing contact information and thanked the Council for their attention.
	Reports presented by: Chief of Police, Public Works Director, City Attorney, City Clerk
FIRE DEPT. POLICE	Chief Cowger was not present, no report provided. Police Chief Timm was present, he presented a report to Council. Chief Timm noted that his request was later in the agenda but would like Council to be aware that a k-9 cage would cost around \$2,600.00 new, but he was trying to find a used one. He anticipated that the vehicle should be in service for 2-4 years. No other questions from Council.

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<p>PUBLIC WORKS</p> <p>ATTORNEY</p> <p>CITY JUDGE</p> <p>CLERK</p>	<p>The Public Works Director provided a report for Council. The Water and Wastewater position that has been advertised has received 2 applications. Scott is requesting permission to hire upon background and reference checks.</p> <p>The walking path is still under construction.</p> <p>City Attorney provided a report, no questions from Council.</p> <p>No reports from the Court</p> <p>The Clerk provided a report and noted that when the Budget was reviewed by the Mayor. At that review there was a revenue oversight that needed to be resolved. On pg. 9 of 17 the revenue amount for land leases needed to be brought forward to the next year. The amount is \$6,056.00, this change will be made, no questions from Council.</p>
<p>PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS:</p>	<p>No Public Comment</p>
<p>COMMITTEE REPORTS-</p>	<p>No Committee Reports</p>
<p>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</p>	<p>Proposal for Storm Drain Engineering from Engineering West in the amount of \$64,000.00. Cole Waltner made the motion to approve this proposal, Terry Nystul seconded the motion, no discussion. Roll call vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes.</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>The Per Diem amounts for training and travel were discussed and a change is being requested from staff. Rick White made the motion to approve the per diem change to \$7.50 (breakfast), \$8.50 (lunch) and \$14.50 (dinner) for in state and \$13.00 (breakfast), \$14.00 (lunch) and \$23.00 (dinner) for out of state, motion seconded by Bob Fitzgerald. Roll call for vote Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes all yea votes. Motion passes.</p> <p>Vehicle Purchase request from Police Department. Approval for \$15,000.00 to purchase a 2016 Explorer was presented by the Police Chief. Bob Fitzgerald made the motion to approve the purchase, discussion ensued and an amendment to the motion was presented by Bob Fitzgerald to state that the purchase would be approved after the service records were confirmed and that the vehicle was in reasonably good condition. Cole Waltner seconded the amended motion and a roll call for vote was taken Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes all yea votes. Motion passes to review the car's maintenance records and assure some confidence that the vehicle will be in good enough shape to carry the k-9 unit for several years.</p> <p>The approval of Council to move forward with the Itch-kep-pe park rehabilitation utilizing FEMA funds was requested by the Clerk. The MMIA insurance provider responded to the flood claim with a letter stating that the deductible would be \$500,000.00. The Clerk requested permission to withdraw the claim and work with FEMA to fund the rehabilitation and mitigation at the park. Tim Mayo made the motion to withdraw the claim and move forward with FEMA, seconded by</p>

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Terry Nystul. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes.

The Public Works Director is in the process of acquiring cost estimates for the restoration and mitigation work at itch-kep-pe park. FEMA requested that the two be combined so the request not to exceed \$36,000.00 for all work. Approval by a motion from Danen Johannes, seconded by Cole Waltner. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes.

Approval and Adoption of the FY 2022/2023 Budget Document. Terry Nystul made a motion to approve the budget with the amendment of \$6,056.00 for lease revenue as stated by the clerk. Motion seconded by Bob Fitzgerald. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion to approve/adopt the 2022/23 Budget passes.

Resolution No. 830-2022 to set the tax levy for the 22/23 FY. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to waive the reading of the resolution, seconded by Terry Nystul. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes.

Adoption of Resolution No. 830-2022 adopting the tax levy. A motion was made by Cole Waltner to adopt the resolution, 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.

Resolution No. 831-2022 to set the assessment for street lighting districts 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44. Terry Nystul motioned to waive the reading of the resolution, seconded by Rick White. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes


Adoption of Resolution No. 831-2022 to assess street lighting districts 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44. Terry Nystul motioned to adopt the assessment as presented, seconded by Cole Waltner. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes


Approval of Payment request no. 2 for T-Hangar Design in the amount of \$204.95, for engineering work on the project by Morrison Maierle for the Airport. Tim Mayo made the motion to approve this payment in the amount of \$204.95, seconded by Terry Nystul. Roll call for vote; Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White all yea votes. Motion passes

Special Use permit for the Search and Rescue at the Granite Peak Park for an event on Saturday September 10th. Tim Mayo made a motion to approve, seconded by Terry Nystul. Roll call for vote; Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passes.

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COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA	No items not on the agenda
ADJOURNMENT	Webb Mandeville, requested a Motion to Adjourn. Terry Nystul made the motion to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. seconded by Tim Mayo.


WEBB MANDEVILLE, MAYOR


KISHA K. CORNELL, CLERK-TREASURER