


**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS,  
COLUMBUS, MONTANA HELD MARCH 4, 2024, 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. The Council persons present were Rick White, Dennis Holten, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald and Danen Johannes. Staff members present were Fire Chief Rich Cowger, Police Chief Gary Timm, Police Officer Aaron Uecker, Public Works Director Scott Caton, City Attorney Ryan Addis (via Zoom) and Clerk-Treasurer Cherrie McAlexander.
<b>SIDELINE IN PERSON</b>	NONE
<b>PUBLIC HEARING</b>	NONE
<b>REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED</b>	The mayor asked Council if they had reviewed the minutes of the February 20, 2024, regular meeting, and if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections. Cole Waltner made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten and Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.
<b>SHUT OFF LIST</b>	NONE
<b>APPROVAL OF CLAIMS</b>	The claims list for the 2nd half of February was presented to Council. Tim Mayo made a motion to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Cole Waltner; roll call for vote, Rick White, Dennis Holten, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, and Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.
<b>PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS</b>	NONE
<b>FIRE DEPT.</b>	The Fire Chief was present and provided a report. No questions from Council.
<b>POLICE</b>	The Police Chief was present and provided a report. No questions from Council.
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	The Public Works Director was present and provided a report. Cole Waltner asked if the new laborer position that was approved at the last meeting was in addition to the part time summer helper James Caraway. Scott said yes.
<b>ATTORNEY</b>	The City Attorney was present and provided a report. No questions from Council.
<b>CITY JUDGE</b>	The City Judge was not present and did not provide a report.
<b>CLERK-TREASURER</b>	The Clerk-Treasurer was present and provided a report. No questions from Council.
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS:</b>	NONE
<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS-</b>	NONE
<b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b>	NONE

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<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p>Second Reading of Ordinance 367-2024 Amending section 12.24.010 of the Columbus Municipal Code to revise the fees charged for the privilege of using the city swimming pool. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to waive the reading. Seconded by Dennis Holten; roll call for vote, Rick White, Dennis Holten, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, and Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed. Dennis Holten made a motion to approve the ordinance. Seconded by Tim Mayo; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten and Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Second Reading of Ordinance 368-2024 Amending section 10.20.011 of the Columbus Municipal Code to revise the parking regulations for the city of Columbus. Rick White made a motion to waive the reading. Seconded by Bob Fitzgerald; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten and Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed. Cole Waltner made a motion to approve the ordinance. Seconded by Tim Mayo; Tim Mayo asked if there will be signs posted at the pool. Scott Caton said yes. Roll call for vote, Rick White, Dennis Holten, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald, and Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p>
<b>COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA</b>	Rick White asked about how the new city well is coming along. Scott Caton said that it is going good. Scott said that he is waiting for one more water test to come back, all other tests have come back good. The well is producing around 100 gallons per minute. Scott stated that the new well should be comparable to the Beartooth Heights well.
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Webb Mandeville requested a Motion to Adjourn. Rick White made the motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. seconded by Dennis Holten, roll call all yea votes.

  
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 WEBB MANDEVILLE, MAYOR

  
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