

CITY OF FERNAN LAKE VILLAGE DRAFT  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 7, 2024 (*Ordered to match agenda item #'s.*)

1. Mayor Watkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. There was a quorum present of Council members Quinn, Dircksen, Goodsen and Myers. Staff members and Michelle (Treasurer) and Andy (attorney) were present.
3. Agenda - The Council reviewed the agenda. There was a motion made by Councilmember Quinn to approve the agenda and was seconded by Councilmember Dircksen. Motion was carried by Myers, Dircksen, Goodsen and Quinn.
4. Minutes - The Council reviewed the minutes from the August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 regular council meeting. There was a motion made by Councilmember Dircksen to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Quinn. Motion was carried by Myers, Dircksen, Goodsen and Quinn.
5. Financial & Payables - The Council reviewed the Financials and Payables reports. There was a motion made by Councilmember Goodsen, seconded by Councilmember Quinn to approve the Financials and payables. Motion was carried by Quinn, Dircksen, Goodsen and Myers.
6. Recognition of Guests –
  - Neil Nemec
  - Heidi Acuff
7. Road Surface Test - Moved to Mayor Report
8. City Clerk Report (Cindy) – The Clerk was not present, but The Monthly report was reviewed, and no comments were noted.
9. City Engineer Report (Coleman)- City Engineer was not present but the mayor shed light on the following:
  - The engineer had walked the roads and noted that some cracking would need to be addressed next spring/summer and incorporated into the road slurry seal test.
  - The engineer had found 5 sump pump panel posts that should be replaced and is putting together a cost estimate.
  - The engineer was gathering budgetary quotes for dry well modifications/replacements which would be reviewed in an upcoming meeting.
  - There is work being done by the Mayor and Engineer on developing a letter to provide residents that describes how our water/sewer funds are being used.
10. Attorney Report – (Andy)
  - The attorney reported that he would like to introduce his associate Corey Smith to the council next meeting. It is being proposed that Corey handle the City of Fernan issues moving forward.
  - It was reported that the legal service agreement expired on Oct 1, and a new agreement is forthcoming and needs to be signed. There are no changes to the agreement.
  - 201 S Theis VRBO – The mayor informed the attorney that the letter has been reviewed and approved for him to send to the residence. Attorney reported that this would be sent out the next day (Oct 8)
11. Mayor Report –
  - Road Surface Test – The Mayor reported that the time had lapsed on the opportunity to do a slurry test section. It was agreed that this test section and road seal would be placed on hold until next April/May of 2024.
  - Informed that the County Parks would be removing diseased trees in the park area near boat launch.
  - Discussed attending a Kootenai County Commissioners neighbor meeting.

- Fernan Lake Mill foil treatment notice was discussed.
- The beginning of the Financial Audit was discussed
- Lake Drive Motel – it was proposed and discussed to have the mayor talk to the motel owner about signing a payment schedule agreement. Mayor and attorney would work on developing an agreement letter with terms. Mayor is going to contact the hotel owner this week.
- Ziplly Fiber – Mayor is going to ask Ziplly for their timeline schedule on removing old lines.

12. (Item 12 was not on Agenda)

13. Water Quality Committee (Mayor)

- Discussed path forward on creating the committee members. The mayor only has two names in the hat and a couple more coming from Myers. It was agreed that a working session meeting would need to be scheduled to formalize committee members. Mayor will notify clerk to schedule a meeting for 5pm on October 21, 2024.
- It was mentioned that the council members should re-read and understand the Committee Ordinance prior to this meeting. Request to have clerk send out the ordinance to council.

14. BAG – (Quinn) *(added as item 14)*

- It was reported that the next BAG meeting is on Oct 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Discussed opportunities for 319 Funding.

15. Fernan Lake Management Plan (Eutrophix)- Mayor *(changed 14 to item 15)*

- Eutrophix preliminary report is online, and they are in process of receiving public comments.
- A public meeting is to be scheduled to review their final report.

16. Grant Opportunities *(changed 15 to item 16)*

- Scheduled to have a guest (Name?) during the next council meeting on Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, to discuss creating grant fund management.

16. Engineering – Items moved to City Engineer Report Item #9

17. Adjournment - Motion was made by Councilmember Dircksen to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Quinn. Motion was carried by Quinn, Dircksen, Goodsen and Myers. Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

END OF MEETING MINUTES