

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS,
COLUMBUS, MONTANA HELD SEPTEMBER 18, 2023, 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, and Danen Johannes. Staff members present were City Attorney Ryan Addis, Public Works Director Scott Caton, and City Clerk-Treasurer Cherrie McAlexander.
SIDELINE IN PERSON	Donna West, Nancy Baum, Durene Kober
PUBLIC HEARING	NONE
REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED	The mayor asked Council if they had reviewed the minutes of the September 5, 2023, regular meeting, and if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections. Terry Nystul, made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting as written, seconded by Tim Mayo, roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.
SHUT OFF LIST	The shut off list for the month of September 2023 was presented to Council. Rick White made a motion to approve the list as presented. Seconded by Terry Nystul; Roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.
APPROVAL OF CLAIMS	The claims list for the 2nd half of September was presented to Council. Tim Mayo made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Seconded by Danen Johannes; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion Passed.
PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS	NONE
FIRE DEPT.	Fire Chief was not present and did not provide a report.
POLICE	Police Chief was not present and did not provide a report.
PUBLIC WORKS	The Public Works Director was present and provided a report. Scott gave an update on the Sewer Project. Sewer Project completion date is looking like the first week of October. The grade of the boring was off 6 degrees, but is now back on track. COP is focusing on getting the south side water and sewer work completed so the street closure can be moved back up to Clough Ave. No questions from Council.
ATTORNEY	The City Attorney was present and provided a report. No questions from Council.
CITY JUDGE	The City Judge was not present and did not provide a report to Council.
CLERK-TREASURER	The Clerk-Treasurer was present and provided a report. No questions from Council.
PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS:	NONE
COMMITTEE REPORTS-	NONE

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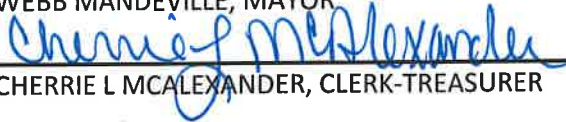
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	NONE
NEW BUSINESS	<p>Approval of Special Use Permit; Homecoming Tailgate for Class of 2025, location: Heritage Park, event date: September 29, 2023 from 3p.m. to 7p.m. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the Special Use Permit contingent on the name of the Organization be changed to Columbus School District and proof of insurance naming City of Columbus as the certificate holder/additional insured, seconded by Danen Johannes, roll call for vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of Environmental Review Agreement between NeighborWorks and the City of Columbus to provide environmental reviews for Montana Department of Commerce HOME Investment Partnerships Program. Terry Nystul asked if the city will incur any fees for providing the Environmental Review. Cherrie McAlexander responded that there would be some fees incurred but NeighborWorks will pay the city \$100.00 for each review provided and that will offset any fees. Danen Johannes made a motion to approve the Environmental Review Agreement, seconded by Rick White, roll call vote, Rick White, Terry Nystul, Tim Mayo, Bob Fitzgerald, Danen Johannes, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of Construction Agreement between the City of Columbus and Hard Rock Concrete & Excavating in the amount of \$74,882.00 for building a new boat ramp at Itch-Kep-pee park. Scott Caton stated that the city would be reimbursed by FEMA for this project. Tim Mayo made a motion to approve the Construction Agreement, seconded by Danen Johannes, roll call vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion Passed.</p> <p>Approval of payment request from Stillwater County in the amount of \$20,489.54 for the city's portion of the T-hangar construction invoices from Dick Anderson Construction and Morrison Maierle. Terry Nystul asked if this was a 5% payment. Cherrie McAlexander answered yes, 90% paid by FAA, 5% County and 5% City. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the payment request, seconded by Tim Mayo, roll call vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion Passed.</p> <p>Approval of the Order to suspend work from Dick Anderson Construction for T-hangar work. Tim Mayo asked with the suspension of work will there be any added expenses to the city. Mayor responded no, all expenses are locked in. Terry Nystul made a motion to approve the Order to suspend, seconded by Rick White, roll call vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Tim Mayo, Terry Nystul, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion Passed.</p>
COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA	<p>Bob Fitzgerald stated that he spoke to a resident that plays tennis every Saturday and asked him what he thought about bringing pickle ball courts to the city. The resident said he thought it would be a great idea. Terry Nystul said he thought that building a completely separate pickle ball court and leaving the tennis courts alone would be best for the city. The mayor and Danan Johannes agreed with Terry. The mayor suggested Sherwood Park as a good location for pickle ball courts.</p>

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ADJOURNMENT	Webb Mandeville requested a Motion to Adjourn. Terry Nystul made the motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. seconded by Rick White, roll call all yea votes.



WEBB MANDEVILLE, MAYOR



CHERRIE L MCALEXANDER, CLERK-TREASURER