

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS,  
COLUMBUS, MONTANA HELD JANUARY 6, 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, Chief of Police Aaron Uecker, Public Works Director Peyton Brookshire (via zoom), City Attorney Ryan Addis, and Clerk-Treasurer Cherrie McAlexander.
<b>SIDELINE IN PERSON</b>	NONE
<b>PUBLIC HEARING</b>	NONE
<b>REGULAR MINUTES APPROVED</b>	The mayor asked the council if they had reviewed the minutes of the December 16, 2024, regular meeting, and if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections. Rick White made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting, seconded by Cole Waltner; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.
<b>SHUT OFF LIST</b>	NONE
<b>APPROVAL OF CLAIMS</b>	The claims list for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of December was presented to the 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.
<b>POLICE</b>	The Police Chief was present and provided a report.
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	The Public Works Director was present and provided a report. The mayor asked Peyton how he wanted to move forward with the issue of the sewer dumping by Big Sky Portables in the city's lagoon. Peyton stated that the current situation needs to stop, and a fee schedule should be established for all businesses that are wanting to dump waste into our lagoon.
<b>ATTORNEY</b>	The City Attorney was present and provided a report.
<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. Dennis Holten asked why the Mandeville Baseball field Project budget was so over what was approved by the Council. The mayor stated that it was due to the cost of materials and stated that the cost would have been even higher if Gairrett Excavation did not provide the services they did, which saved the city over \$9,000.00. The mayor also mentioned that in the Clerk's Report there was a document listing out the


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	designations for all committees for 2025. He asked Council to let him know if anyone was not ok with their assignments. The mayor said he would be appointing these at the next council meeting.
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS:</b>	NONE
<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS-</b>	NONE – the mayor asked the Parks and Recreation Committee if they had meet about the sign placement issues at Granite Peak Park. Danen Johannes responded that he had made a phone call, but the committee had not met. The mayor also asked if the Cemetery Committee had met about the green burial. Dennis stated that they had not met.
<b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b>	NONE
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p>Approval of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – Unified Certification Program for the Airport to have on file as agreement to participate in the program. Cole Waltner made a motion to approve the program, seconded by Dennis Holten; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of reassign lease from Morrow to Morrow Trust. Rick White made a motion to approve the reassignment, seconded by Tim Mayo; roll call for vote, Rick White, Dennis Holten, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald and Danen Johannes all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of extending lease for Cows Around for 20-year term. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the lease, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of extending lease for James Irgens for 20-year term. Tim Mayo made a motion to approve the lease, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Rick White, Dennis Holten, Tim Mayo, Cole Waltner, Bob Fitzgerald and Danen Johannes all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of T-hangar Lease Agreement for Lloyd Sund. Cole Waltner made a motion to approve the lease, 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.</p> <p>Approval of T-hangar Lease Agreement for Stillwater Flyers. Bob Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the lease, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Danen Johannes, Bob Fitzgerald, Cole Waltner, Tim Mayo, Dennis Holten, Rick White, all yea votes. Motion passed.</p> <p>Approval of T-hangar Lease Agreement for Louis Fenn. Cole Waltner made a motion to approve the lease, seconded by Rick White; roll call for vote, Rick</p>

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<b>COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA</b>	NONE
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Webb Mandeville requested a Motion to Adjourn. Rick White made the motion to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. seconded by Dennis Holten, roll call all yea votes.

  
 WEBB MANDEVILLE, MAYOR

  
 CHERRIE L MCALEXANDER, CLERK-TREASURER

