

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Avenue
Fallon, Nevada
December 4, 2007**

The Honorable City Council met in a regularly scheduled Council meeting on the above date in the Council Chambers, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford, Jr.
City Councilman, Willis Swan
City Councilman, Robert Erickson
City Councilman, John Tewell
City Engineer, Larry White
Police Lieutenant, Frank Shyne
Public Works Director, Jerry Mayfield
City Clerk, Gary Cordes
City Attorney, Mike Mackedon

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 7:00 p.m. He then requested everyone rise to pledge allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the agenda had been posted in compliance with NRS requirements.

City Clerk Cordes advised the agenda was posted in compliance with NRS 241.

Approval of Council meeting minutes for November 6, 2007

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the Council meeting minutes for November 6, 2007.

No additions or corrections were noted.

Councilman Swan motioned to approve the Council meeting minutes for November 6, 2007, seconded by Councilman Erickson and unanimously approved.

Approval of Warrants

- A) Accounts Payable
- B) Payroll
- C) Customer Deposit

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any comments regarding the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants.

No comments were noted.

Councilman Tewell motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilman Erickson and unanimously approved.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments. He noted that comments are to be general in nature, not relative to any agenda items. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.

No comments were noted.

Request by Richard Oakland for an on-premises/unrestricted liquor license for Oasis Bowl & Slot Casino located at 1555 South Taylor Street

City Clerk Cordes explained that Richard Oakland will again be the owner of Oasis Bowl & Slot Casino located at 1555 South Taylor Street. This business has been licensed for a number of years to sell alcohol to be consumed on-premises. The Police Department has indicated that the applicant is acceptable and will counsel him regarding liquor regulations. City Clerk Cordes recommended approval of this request.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Councilman Tewell motioned to approve the request by Richard Oakland for an on-premises/unrestricted liquor license for Oasis Bowl & Slot Casino located at 1555 South Taylor Street; seconded by Councilman Swan and unanimously approved.

Award Bid 07-16: Fallon Convention Center Carpet

City Engineer White explained that this project will replace the carpet at the Convention Center. This includes the main room, lobby and office area. Two bids were received. Fallon Floors submitted a bid at \$19,763.00 and Carpet Connection submitted a bid at \$25,501.48. Both contractors are properly licensed and meet all requirements. Rick Gray had identified three time frames for the work to be completed; these are times that the facility is not booked for 4-5 days in a row. These times were 1) after Christmas, 2) mid-March or 3) mid-May. Low bidder Fallon Floors indicated that the best time for them to do the work is the mid-March period. City Engineer White recommended that the bid be awarded to Fallon Floors in the amount of \$19,763.00.

Mayor Tedford noted that the Tourism Board had approved this project as a capital item in their budget.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Councilman Erickson motioned to award Bid 07-16: Fallon Convention Center Carpet to Fallon Floors in the amount of \$19,763.00; seconded by Councilman Tewell and unanimously approved.

Approve purchase of real property known as 10 & 22 South Carson Street, Fallon, Nevada at appraised value of \$665,000.00

City Attorney Mackedon explained that these properties are located directly West of City Hall. The appraisal valued the properties at \$665,000.00 combined. The seller has agreed to the sales price of \$665,000.00 for both properties. City Attorney Mackedon recommended approval of this purchase as proposed.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

Ms. Christy Lattin inquired as to the plans for each building.

Mayor Tedford advised that the apartment complex would probably be removed and the area used as a parking lot. The plan is to create more adequate parking, not only for City Hall but for the downtown area, especially for events. We ran into an unwilling seller with the Amos Kirk property since we can only pay appraised value. The parking lot located at First and Carson Streets is known as the "City Parking Lot" but the City does not actually own any of it. We lease 1/6, Jeff Christiansen has 1/6 and Scott Tate owns the remaining 2/3. The Douglass Mansion is historic and we will likely retain it as future office space for expansion. We may rent it out as office space until then.

No further comments were noted.

Councilman Tewell motioned to approve the purchase of real property known as 10 & 22 South Carson Street, Fallon, Nevada at appraised value of \$665,000.00; seconded by Councilman Erickson and unanimously approved.

Appointment of Robert Erickson to the Regional Transportation Commission

Mayor Tedford explained that Councilman Erickson had previously sat on the Regional Transportation Commission and he has agreed to return. He offered his appointment of Councilman Erickson to the Regional Transportation Commission for Council confirmation.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any comments or questions.

No comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

No public comments were noted.

Councilman Swan motioned to confirm the appointment of Robert Erickson to the Regional Transportation Commission; seconded by Councilman Tewell and unanimously approved.

Mayor Tedford thanked Councilman Erickson for his willingness to serve on the Commission.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.

No comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford welcomed Mr. Ernie Williams to the meeting.

Council and Staff Reports

City Engineer White: Advised that we are working on the sewer project to replace the Fifth and Whitaker lift station. The plans are to be complete within 10 days and bid packages will be sent to interested contractors. Bids will be opened on January 14 and consideration of the bid award will be placed on the January 15 Council meeting. He hoped to see contractors on site in early February.

Lieutenant Shyne: No report.

Public Works Director Mayfield: No report.

City Clerk Cordes: Remarked that, 10 years ago, Applied Economic Development studied Fallon for economic leakage. One drain was the ladies apparel market. Now there are two ladies apparel stores downtown, *Hazel's Fashionz* and *Clothes Horse Boutique*.

City Attorney Mackedon: No report.

Councilman Erickson: No report.

Councilman Tewell: Noted that he spoke with Hazel of *Hazel's Fashionz* and she believes that, at 23 years old, she is the youngest business owner in Fallon.

Councilman Swan: Advised that the red pedestrian crossing light on the Southwest corner of Taylor Street and Williams Avenue is burned out.

Mayor Tedford noted that he was very discouraged with that corner. NDOT recently installed white pegs to deter right turns onto Williams Avenue, similar to the Allen Road corner near McDonald's. These pegs will now prevent the street sweeper from sweeping. Now we can only sweep the areas by hand. We try to keep the City clean and this makes it harder for us to do so.

Mayor Tedford: He advised of upcoming events such as the City Hall Open House before the Tree Lighting, Hometown Christmas on Maine Street and the City's Christmas Concert with the Comstock Cowboys. Proceeds from ticket sales will go to the City's Benevolence Fund.

Mayor Tedford added that we are trying to move quickly on the transfer station acquisition. The audit presentation may also need a special Council meeting.

Executive Session

Mayor Tedford tabled the executive session, as it was not needed at this time.


Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.



Mayor Ken Tedford, Jr.

Attest:



Gary C. Cordes
City Clerk/Treasurer