

**MINUTES  
CITY OF FALLON  
55 West Williams Avenue  
Fallon, Nevada  
June 16, 2009**

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, Robert Erickson  
City Councilwoman, Rachel Dahl  
City Councilman, James D. Richardson  
City Engineer, James Souba  
Chief of Police, Kevin Gehman  
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 requested a moment of silence for the recent passing of Naval Air Station Fallon Executive Officer Commander Luther Hook and Naval Air Crewman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Sean Michael Ward.

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

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

**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 Erickson motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilwoman Dahl and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

## **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.

Mr. Eric Grimes of 1335 River View Drive noted that he was pleased to have the opportunity to watch the Fallon Swing Club perform while he was on a recent trip to Disneyland.

Ms. Mary Favstritsky of 475 West Richards Street advised that she is a voter that resides in a residential neighborhood and she has a problem with the band music that plays on Saturdays during a farmers' market at The Slanted Porch Restaurant next door to her. Two weeks ago the music was so loud that she could not stay in her home; the band was 20 feet from her kitchen. Her dog had a seizure and the noise also affected her grandson who has a previous traumatic brain injury. She asked the Mayor and Council to look into this issue.

Mayor Tedford advised Ms. Favstritsky that the cabaret license request for The Slanted Porch had been withdrawn from the agenda by the property owners. He assured her that the City was looking into this issue and seeking a solution that would be agreeable to all involved.

## **Recognition of Nevada League of Cities Youth Award Winners**

Mayor Tedford advised that the Nevada League of Cities Statewide Youth Award Committee has selected Molly Black as the winner of the Statewide Junior High School Division and Taylor Pearce and Katherine Withers as runners-up in the Statewide High School Division. A plaque was awarded to Miss Black, as she was in attendance, and photographs were taken. Miss Pearce and Miss Withers were out of town.

## **Approval of a cabaret license for Margaret A. and Steven J. Hernandez for The Slanted Porch, located at 310 South Taylor Street**

Mayor Tedford advised that this agenda item had been withdrawn at the request of the property owners.

## **Appointment of Officers for the City of Fallon**

Mayor Tedford offered the following appointments of officers for Council confirmation:

Municipal Court Judge	Mike Lister
Chief of Police	Kevin Gehman
City Engineer/Public Works Director	James R. Souba
Assistant City Engineer	Michael E. Miller
City Clerk Treasurer	Gary Cordes
Deputy City Clerk Treasurer	Fern Lee
Emergency Management Director	Steve Endacott
City Attorney	Michael F. Mackedon
Assistant City Attorney	Rod McCormick
Assistant City Attorney	Steven D. King

Assistant City Attorney

Leonard E. Mackedon

Mayor Tedford added that all officers are currently serving. He 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.

Councilwoman Dahl motioned to confirm the Appointment of Officers for the City of Fallon as presented by Mayor Tedford; seconded by Councilman Richardson and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

### **Appointment of Boards**

Mayor Tedford offered the following appointments to boards, committees and other organizations for Council confirmation:

Board of Adjustment	Shirley Walker, Chairman Nancy Balash Kim Barrenchea Bob Hettinger
Tourism Board	Councilman Erickson Councilwoman Dahl Councilman Richardson Pranav Morar Scott Tate
Nevada League of Cities	Mayor Tedford
Legislative Affairs/Utilities	Councilman Erickson Assistant City Attorney King
National League of Cities	Mayor Tedford
Coalition for Senior Citizens	Mayor Tedford
Regional Transportation Commission	Councilman Erickson City Engineer Souba
Fire Board	Councilman Richardson
Debt Management Commission	Councilwoman Dahl
Churchill Economic Development Authority	Councilman Erickson

School Planning Board	Councilman Erickson City Clerk Cordes
Lahontan Valley Environmental Alliance	Councilwoman Dahl
UAMPS	Councilman Erickson Assistant City Attorney King City Engineer Souba
Audit Committee	Councilman Erickson City Attorney Mackedon
Insurance Committee	Councilman Erickson City Attorney Mackedon
Classification & Compensation Committee	Councilman Erickson
Trails Across Churchill County	Councilwoman Dahl

Mayor Tedford noted that any committee appointments that may come up during the course of the year could be appointed during another Council meeting. He 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 Richardson motioned to confirm the appointments to boards, committees and other organizations as presented by Mayor Tedford; seconded by Councilman Erickson and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

### **Election of Mayor Pro Tem**

Councilwoman Dahl motioned to nominate Councilman Erickson to serve as Mayor Pro Tem; seconded by Councilman Richardson and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

### **Presentation of the Police Department Report for May 2009**

Chief Gehman stated that he was pleased to represent the men and women of the Fallon Police Department with the presentation of the May monthly report. He added that the May incidents and activities were in line with previous months with no exceptional variances.

- All officers participated in firearms training.
- Investigator Riley presented an indoctrination lecture to newly stationed Navy personnel as well as instruction on teen dating violence at the High School and at Juvenile Probation.

- We utilized the Volunteers in Police Service for 51 hours and through the welfare assist account we provided six persons with lodging.
- The citizen survey results were again highly positive.  
Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any comments or questions.  
No comments were noted.  
Mayor Tedford thanked Chief Gehman for the report.

### **Public Comments**

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.  
No comments were noted.

### **Council and Staff Reports**

City Engineer Souba: Welcomed Councilwoman Dahl and Councilman Richardson. He advised that all of the concrete work for the South Carson Street parking lot is complete and the lot will be paved soon. Phase 3 of the Downtown Pedestrian Enhancement Project is making progress. All of the underground is installed from Stillwater Avenue to Fairview Street and demolition is ongoing from Fairview Street to Front Street.

Chief Gehman: Welcomed Councilwoman Dahl and Councilman Richardson. In an effort to quell loitering and other problems on Maine Street, he assigned the officer that was working traffic to Maine Street patrol. The move has been well received by merchants and patrons alike and we have seen a significant reduction in problems.

Through many manipulations and adjustments this year, it appears that PD expenditures and expenses will come in on budget.

City Clerk Cordes: Welcomed Councilwoman Dahl and Councilman Richardson. He noted that his office is working on an asset management system that will be integrated into our financial management system.

City Attorney Mackedon: Welcomed Councilwoman Dahl and Councilman Richardson. He congratulated them for running for office and he looked forward to working with them.

Councilman Erickson: Extended a hearty welcome to Councilwoman Dahl and Councilman Richardson. He appreciated the confidence they have in him by selecting him as Mayor Pro Tem. He thanked Councilman Tewell for his service through the years.

Councilman Richardson: Thanked Councilman Tewell for his support.

Councilwoman Dahl: Appreciated the warm welcome and the nice swearing in ceremony last week.

Mayor Tedford: Noted that this is indeed a change; he was used to saying Councilman Swan and Councilman Tewell for so many years during meetings and now it will be Councilwoman Dahl and Councilman Richardson. He appreciated their decision to run for

office; he knows that it is a very personal decision. He welcomed them to the Council. He also thanked Councilman Tewell for his service to the residents of Fallon.

Mayor Tedford advised of a City facilities tour this Thursday at 1:30 leaving from City Hall. It is a unique opportunity to learn about the City.

Mayor Tedford noted that we need to figure out how to handle Ms. Favstritsky's noise issue with The Slanted Porch. This will be hard to solve. A farmers' market is a nice thing for their business and the community. We need to allow the business the opportunity to run their business and residents the opportunity to enjoy their homes.

Mayor Tedford advised of the City's Free Outdoor Concert Series in the Park. This Saturday, The Red Stick Ramblers will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Centennial Stage at Oats Park. These are important events for the City and well received by the community.

Mayor Tedford stated that the parade route for the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade will change due to construction on South Maine Street. Instead of turning onto South Maine, the route will turn onto North Maine Street and end near D Street. We will notify the newspaper of the change and advise everyone that we can that the route has changed.

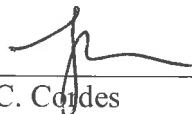
### **Executive Session**

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

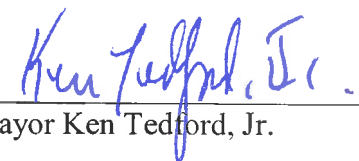
### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Attest:



Gary C. Cordes  
City Clerk/Treasurer

  
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Mayor Ken Tedford, Jr.