



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, September 27, 2021, 5:00 PM

Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present: Mayor Suzanne Hawkins, Vice Mayor Ruth Pierce, Council Member Shawn Barigar (by Phone), Craig Hawkins, Greg Lanting, Christopher Reid & Nikki Boyd.

Absent:

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Human Resources Director Gretchen Scott, Battalion Chief Eric Schmitz, Desktop Support Analyst Kim Hafer, Help Desk Technician Sonia Salas, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

Mayor Hawkins called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hawkins invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. **Council Member Boyd** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- a) Request to approve September 20, 2021, City Council Minutes.
- b) Request to approve Accounts Payable for September 16-22, 2021.
- c) Request an Approval on a Parks in Lieu application for the Villas on Falls Subdivisions (PZ21-0087).
- d) Request to accept Public Right-of-Way for sidewalk improvements at 723 Sparks Street.
- e) Consider a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission to accept a request from Jennifer McClain with Southern Idaho Landscaping to donate two trees in memory of Kevin Cooper.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) Twin Falls Fire Department would like to recognize their newly promoted Captains and Drivers.
Fire Chief Kenworthy requested to recognize their newly promoted Captains & Drivers.

Mayor Hawkins read the Oath of Office and swore in the promoted firefighters.

- b) Twin Falls Fire Department would like to recognize their two new Firefighters for their completion of TFFD's Academy graduation.
Fire Chief Kenworthy requested to recognize their two new Firefighters for their completion of TFFD's Academy graduation.

Mayor Hawkins read the Oath of Office and swore in the new firefighters.

- c) Fire Chief Les Kenworthy would like to take this opportunity to present, award, and recognize their 2020 Fire Officer and Firefighter of the Year.
Fire Chief Kenworthy requested the opportunity to present, award, and recognize their 2020 Fire Officer and Firefighter of the Year.

Firefighter of the Year: **Dan Gould**

Officer of the Year: **Tim Lauda**

- d) Approval and adoption of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1556.
HR Director Scott requested the adoption of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1556.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Reid: Asked for clarification on the salaries.
Council Member Lanting: Asked if the union rep would like to comment.
Council Member Barigar: Thanked the team for their hard work.
Mayor Hawkins: Thanked the team as well.
City Manager Rothweiler: Spoke about the process.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Pierce moved to approve the request to adopt the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Twin Falls and Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1556. **Council Member Lanting** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- e) Request to present the Twin Falls Fire Department's 2020 annual report to the City Council. **Fire Chief Kenworthy** presented the Twin Falls Fire Department's 2020 annual Report to the City Council. **Battalion Chief Brooks and Schmitz, Fire Marshall Lauda** also presented.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Spoke about the overcrowding of the local hospital. Expressed his appreciation.
Mayor Hawkins: Asked about mental health concerns.
Council Member Lanting: Thanked the Fire Marshal. Asked about the 5th-grade cooking class that he puts on.
Council Member Hawkins: Spoke about the call center and how impressed he was with our Fire Chief.

Mayor Hawkins thanked all the presenters for their presentations.

- f) Request to replace a fire truck in the Fire Department and consider using lease-purchase at the cost of \$750,000.00. (Includes radios, labeling, MDC, and other needed equipment).
Battalion Chief Schmitz requested to replace a fire truck in the Fire Department and consider using a lease-purchase at the cost of \$750,000.00. (Includes radios, labeling, MDC, and other needed equipment).

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Lanting moved to approve the request to replace a fire truck in the Fire Department and consider using a lease-purchase at the cost of \$750,000.00. (Includes radios, labeling, MDC, and other needed equipment). **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

- g) Request to approve the contract between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls Rural Fire District from October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2024.
Fire Chief Kenworthy requested to approve the contract between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls Rural Fire District from October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2024.

Discussion ensued on the following: None.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the request to approve the contract between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls Rural Fire District from October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2024. **Council Member Hawkins** seconded the motion. The roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion, 7 to 0.

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Rothweiler and **Deputy City Manager Humble** will not be attending the City Council Meeting on Monday, October 4, 2021. **City Attorney Nope** will be officiating.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

9) ADJOURNMENT

- a) ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION §74-206 (1)(b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal, or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student.

Canceled.

The meeting adjourned at 06:41 PM.



Amy Luna, Finance Administrative Assistant

For a full account of this meeting please visit tfid.org for the recording of this meeting