



Twin Falls City Council Minutes

Monday, July 19, 2021, 5:00 PM

City 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, Greg Lanting, Christopher Reid

Absent: Council Member Craig Hawkins, & Nikki Boyd.

Staff Present: City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Manager Mitch Humble, City Attorney Shayne Nope, CFO Breanna Howard, Police Chief Craig Kingsbury, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Code Enforcement Coordinator Sean Standley, Public Works Director Jon Caton, City Engineer Josh Baird, Senior Planner Liz Hart, Communication Center Manager Tami Lauda, Budget Coordinator Mat Farnes, Recruitment Coordinator Kristen Kohntopp, Wellness Coordinator Katy Touchette, Human Resources Director Gretchen Scott, 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: None.

4) CONSENT CALENDAR

Council Member Barigar requested Item(j) be voted on separately due to it being a Chamber event.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to approve the Consent Calendar Items (a-i & k) as presented. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 5 to 0

MOTION: Council Member Lanting moved to approve the Consent Calendar Items (j) as presented. **Vice Mayor Pierce** seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 4 to 0, Council Member Barigar abstained.

- a) Request to approve Accounts Payable for July 8 thru 14, 2021.
- b) Request to approve July 12, 2021, City Council Minutes.
- c) Request to approve a Parks In-Lieu application for the Federation Point Subdivision located at 211 Federation Road. (PZ21-0077). On July 13, 2021, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval to City Council.
- d) Request to approve a Parks In-Lieu application for the Kenyon Meadow Subdivision located at the 1500 & 1600 blocks of Kenyon Road South (PZ21-0086). On July 13, 2021, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval to City Council.
- e) Request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing Vista Rim Townhomes Subdivision, a ZDA.
- f) Request to approve a Trust Agreement for Vista Rim Townhomes Subdivision, a ZDA, placing all lots in trust.
- g) Request to hold the National Night Out event.
- h) Request to approve the 10th Annual Optimist Club Wings and Things Ultimate Tailgate Challenge.
- i) Request to hold the Christian Youth Band Concert.
- j) Request to hold the Twin Falls Chamber Mini Masters event.
- k) Request to hold the Arts in the Park.

5) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

- a) Chief Craig Kingsbury would like to present Officer Tyler Kuder with his POST Basic Certificate, Officer Martin Becerra and Officer Cody Christensen with their POST-Intermediate Certificates, and Officer Brad Baisch, Officer Tracy Thompson, and Sergeant Steven Gassert with their POST-Advanced Certificates before City Council.

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Mayor Hawkins congratulated the officers for their achievements.

- b) Formal ceremony promoting Detective Josh Hayes to the position of Corporal, Officer Eric Barzee to the position of Sergeant, and Corporal Steven Gassert to the position of Sergeant before the City Council.

Police Chief Kingsbury conducted a formal ceremony promoting Detective Josh Hayes to the position of Corporal, Officer Eric Barzee to the position of Sergeant, and Corporal Steven Gassert to the position of Sergeant before the City Council

Mayor Hawkins congratulated the officers for their achievements.

- c) A presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2022 followed by citizen input.
City Manager Rothweiler made a presentation of the City Manager's Recommended Budget for FY 2022.

Library's presentation on the budget proposal.

- Air Handling Unit Replacement
- Sidewalk updates
- Rescue Plan Act Grant – IcfL;
 - Study Rooms
 - Outdoor WiFi

Fire Department presentation on the budget proposal.

- Fire Truck Replacement (alternate financing)
- MSA Extendaire II Buddy Breather System
- Communication System for Special Rescue and Hazmat Situations

Police Department presentation on the budget proposal.

- Animal Control Vehicle - \$80,000
- Police Patrol Vehicles
- Police Operations Women's Locker Room Addition
- Police Patrol Equipment
- Law Enforcement Officer Web Protect
- Property & Evidence Laboratory Refrigerator Addition
- Records Production Document Scanner
- Category B Items
 - Criminal Investigation Division Vehicle
 - Replacement Automated External Defibrillators (12)
 - Red Dot Pistol Optics
 - Travel & Training Expenditure Request

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Lanting: Asked for clarification on the Water rate changes.

Council Member Reid: Asked for clarification on what the request is for the fire truck and the estimated price.

Council Member Lanting: Would the old fire truck be usable for another fire department?

Vice Mayor Pierce: Asked what the costs of the requested items are.

Mayor Hawkins: Do you have a plan for expansion in the future?

Council Member Reid: Is the 55 years an ongoing thing?

Council Member Lanting: Are we going to be able to get any of the budgeted vehicles?

Council Member Reid: Have we contacted an architect related to future expansion?

City Manager Rothweiler asked for guidance for the \$770,000 Capital projects to be funded and the possibility of increasing the City Council Compensation.

Mayor Hawkins: Do we have to fund the Capital projects now, or can we wait until the end of all the presentations. Do we want to discuss the council compensation option?

Council Member Lanting: Would there be a possibility of increasing the compensation and use it to fund health insurance?

Vice Mayor Pierce: Spoke on the health insurance issue. Believes that it is time to look at the compensation.

Council Member Barigar: Is in favor of looking at the compensation options.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of discussing the compensation increase.

Council Member Reid: What year was the last increase.

Mayor Hawkins: Stated that the Council will have a decision by August 2, 2021

6) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

Citizen Tammy Billman spoke to the council about the following items:

- A gentleman in a wheelchair is collecting cans and making a mess. Is there something that the city can do?
- Harrison Park - When will it be started. Thought that it was on the 2020-2021 budget.
- Asked about the fireworks - Started in June and ended on July 8, 2021.

7) ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Lanting: Reported of the "Friends of Muni Golf Tournament".

Mayor Hawkins: Reported on the "Chicks and Chaps" that will be held on September 3, 2021, at the Twin Falls County Fair.

8) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.

9) ADJOURNMENT

a) ADJOURN TO 74-206 Executive Session:

(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; (1)(c) To acquire an interest in real property not owned by a public agency; (1)(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

MOTION: **Council Member Barigar** moved to 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; 74-206(1)(c) to acquire an interest in real property not owned by a public agency; 74-206(1)(f) to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated. The mere presence of legal counsel at an executive session does not satisfy this requirement.

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