

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Ave
Fallon, Nevada
August 6, 2024**

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

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
Councilwoman Kelly Frost
Councilwoman Karla Kent
Councilman Paul Harmon
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Mike Mackedon
Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe
Chief Ron Wenger
Captain John Riley
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega
Deputy Public Works Glen Radtke

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with the NRS requirements.

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.

Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place greeted the Council.

- Read scriptures from Proverbs 29:2.
- Made comments regarding the Drag Queen Story Hour in Washoe County.
- Made comments regarding the alphabet soup of sexual depravity.

No further comments were noted.

Approval of Warrants

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

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

Consideration and possible action to approve a construction contract with A&K Earthmovers of Fallon, Nevada in order to complete the Fallon Municipal Airport Reconstruct East Portion of Taxilanes Project, PWP-CH-2024-246, in the amount of One Million One Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,169,482.00), of which the FAA share would be 93.75% or One Million Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty-Nine Dollars and Thirty-Eight Cents (\$1,096,389.38) and the City's share would be 6.25% or Seventy-Three Thousand Ninety-Two Dollars and Sixty-Three Cents (\$73,092.63).

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated the City has been approved for an FAA grant to complete the Reconstruct East Portion of Taxilanes Project at the Fallon Municipal Airport. This project was previously designed by J-U-B Engineers, Inc. Sealed bids for FY 2024 Airport Improvements to the Fallon Municipal Airport were received and opened at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 2, 2024. Based on available funding, it is anticipated that only Base Bid Schedule A – Reconstruct East Portion of Taxilanes will be awarded. The bid submitted by A&K Earth Movers; Inc. is the apparent low bid for Base Bid Schedule A. Should additional funding become available, including through award of funding pursued under the FY 2023 Supplemental Discretionary Funding Opportunity, the City of Fallon concurs with J-U-B Engineers to award subsequent bid schedules as funding permits. City staff recommend approval of a construction contract with A&K Earthmovers as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Additionally, we have indicated that the City share would be 6.25%, the City's match, but fortunately, in 2023 the State Legislature passed AB58, which allowed a mechanism for the Nevada Aviation Technical Advisory Committee to appropriate a million dollars in funding, annually, to assist rural Nevada Aviation Airports in meeting their federal matches. So, that is pretty exciting. Last year, we were able to take advantage of that and we were selected to have our match covered through the NATAC process. We are hopeful that this is going to happen again, but we need to be prepared to commit that 6.25%, if it doesn't.

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

Councilman Harmon inquired on when the matching funds would be available.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that last year we received a letter from NDOT, asking to be invoiced for that percentage, about the Fall time. I imagine that would be the same, but I can follow up on that and find out. We won't miss any deadlines or processes; we will call immediately after the award and just make sure that we hit those requirements.

Councilman Harmon inquired if there would have to be another Council meeting if the funds are awarded.

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated the answer to the question would be no. That would come as a reimbursement to the City.

Councilman Harmon inquired on the construction schedule.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated they would like the City to expedite the Notice of Award, Notice to Proceed, so they can make sure they are able to get this completed within the calendar year.

Councilman Harmon inquired if the bid prices given would be honored, even with the bid opening being four months ago.

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that was correct. I spoke with Tanner Hiatt, with A&K Earthmovers, before I made the recommendation to Council. He indicated that pricing from their material suppliers is stable, so they would be able to honor the pricing.

No further comments were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any further questions or comments from the Council or public.

No further comments were noted.

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve a construction contract with A&K Earthmovers of Fallon, Nevada in order to complete the Fallon Municipal Airport Reconstruct East Portion of Taxilanes Project, PWP-CH-2024-246, in the amount of One Million One Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars and Zero Cents (\$1,169,482.00), of which the FAA share would be 93.75% or One Million Ninety-Six Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty-Nine Dollars and Thirty-Eight Cents (\$1,096,389.38) and the City's share would be 6.25% or Seventy-Three Thousand Ninety-Two Dollars and Sixty-Three Cents (\$73,092.63); seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration and possible approval to amend the Stampede Energy Exchange Services Agreement, WAPA Contract 07-SNR-01026 modifying the contract term, value calculation, and contact provisions thereto.

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated since 2007, the City of Fallon has been a party to an Agreement between the United States Department of Energy Western Area Power ("WAPA") and The Truckee Donner Public Utility District ("Truckee Donner") wherein the City's entitlements to energy generated by the Stampede Power Project are assigned to Truckee Donner. The proposed Amendment 1 to the contract extends the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2044. Additionally, Amendment 1 modifies the value calculation for energy produced by the Stampede Project from 75% of the Intercontinental Exchange Mid-C price index to the on-peak/off-peak Stampede Generation LMP price from the California Independent System Operator. Lastly, the Amendment updates the contact provisions to the Agreement to the current representatives of the agencies thereto.

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

Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place greeted the Council. In the northeastern part, twice, the power has gone out for an hour. Hope what you're doing is the solution and stops it from happening. Thank you.

Jim Hunt of 510 Rachel Court stated he had a question. California is ripping dams out, left and right. What are you going to do when they decide to take that one out?

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated that there are no plans, currently, to remove the Stampede.

Jim Hunt interjected. I wouldn't trust them guys any further than I could throw them.

Mayor Tedford stated that this will just go away when that happens. There is nothing

we can do about it. We will just have less power from this source. We have diversified power, other than this.

Jim Hunt inquired about drawing power from the geothermal plants.

Mayor Tedford stated that geothermal plants are usually pre-sold before they are built. We have power from one of those geothermal plants, that we were able to buy power from before it was built, Cyrq Patua. Most of those, as you probably know, are sold to southern California. I am probably not telling you anything that you don't already know. So, the power of all those plants around are not available to us because they were presold, but we did get some power from one of those plants, in a deal that we were able to do before it was built.

Jim Hunt inquired if there was an alternative plan, if they decided to take the dam out.

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated that this represents a very small part of our energy portfolio. The City is constantly evaluating where we get our energy from, and we are involved in a number of projects to ensure the long-term stability of the City's load needs, and that we will meet those needs indefinitely.

Jim Hunt inquired on how much of our power was coming from California.

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated that the City does not have power from California. The power generated from the Hydro in Stampede goes to Truckee Donner. Then, Truckee Donner gives us load from our UAMP's membership. In other words, from any of the projects that UAMP's...

Jim Hunt interjected. So, it is basically a pool?

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated that this is a pooling agreement.

Jim Hunt inquired about getting power from coal out of Utah. Did that just go away?

Mayor Tedford stated that we have been phasing out of the coal for a long time. You know, we are a member of UAMP's, Utah Association of Municipal Power Systems. That is where all our power comes from. That is a whole bunch of municipal systems that are pooled together, and there are various projects that UAMP's investigates. After the investigation, members have the ability to buy into those projects. We have bought into many of those projects, like Red Mesa Solar in Arizona, the Wind Project in Horse Butte Idaho. There are various projects, like this, that we have bought into over the years, that we are members of. So, those are different avenues that we get power, and this is just one of them. We get power from Lahontan Dam here, for instance. That is wheeled and done by UAMP's, for us. This is just a tiny little speck; we almost didn't do it. We just decided since we have been doing it since 2007, that we wanted to continue to do it.

Jim Hunt inquired about the percentage coming off the dam.

Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe stated that is a hard number to be able to give because our load needs fluctuate depending on the day. I believe it is a 3-megawatt total that is possible there, and we share half of that with Truckee Donner.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any further questions or comments from the Council or public.

No further comments were noted.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve to amend the Stampede Energy Exchange Services Agreement, WAPA Contract 07-SNR-01026 modifying the contract term, value calculation, and contact provisions thereto; seconded by Councilman Harmon and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Fallon Police Department Monthly Report for May 2024.

Chief Ron Wenger presented the May monthly report. The report will compare the 2023 crime, traffic stops, and traffic accident statistics to May 2024. Total calls-for-service this month were 762 total calls-for-service.

- Crime Summary: 3 total Domestic Batteries; 2 Battery.
- Theft Calls: 9 total thefts for various items.
- Arrest Summary: 40 total arrests.
- Moving Citations/Traffic Warnings: 159 traffic stops were made; 21 issuing citations.
- Public/Private Property Accidents: 12 total accidents.
- Animal Shelter Services: Total – 150; Churchill County – 84; City – 63; Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe – 3.
- Volunteers in Police Services: Contributed 160 hours.
- Various training courses were provided to sworn-in and non-sworn-in officers.
- 0 requests were made through the Citizen Assistance Program.
- Police officers participated in several various public relations events.
- Citizen Surveys were all positive.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any comments or questions.
No comments were noted.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.
Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place greeted the Council.

- Made comments regarding Ezekiel and Psalms regarding wars.
- Made comments regarding an 86 Letter he received.
- Made comments regarding trash and dog poop.
- Made comments regarding about people peeing in fountains in France.
- Made comments regarding walking the streets and people being angry.
- Made comments regarding communism.
- Made comments regarding bringing joy and peace to the City.

No further comments were noted.

Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.
No reports were noted.

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 9:26 a.m.

Mayor Tedford

Attest: _____
Michael O’Neill, City Clerk-Treasurer

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