

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Ave
Fallon, Nevada
April 16, 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 Trent deBraga
Chief Ron Wenger
City Clerk Treasurer Sean Richardson
Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega
Deputy Public Works Glen Radtke
Engineer Derek Zimney
Director of Tourism Jane Moon
Emergency Manager Steve Endacott

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.

City Clerk Treasurer Sean Richardson 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.

No 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 approval of resolution authorizing a tax certificate and agreement for UAMPS' Firm Power Supply Project; and other matters.

Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga stated through its relationship with Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems ("UAMPS), the City of Fallon participates in the Red Mesa Power Purchase Agreement from which the City purchases power for its electric utility. IRS Code and US Treasury Regulations contain special provisions which allow tax-exempt bonds to be issued to finance prepayments for the purchase of electricity. These allow the City to structure transactions to convert the difference between the issuer's lower (tax-exempt) costs to fund the prepaid energy supplier's higher (taxable) costs into a discounted price for prepaid energy. At this time, UAMPS estimates the initial discount to be 8% though the final savings will be determined at closing. This resolution authorizes UAMPS to enter into the necessary agreements to effectuate this discounted transaction and further authorizes City staff to take such actions, as are reasonably necessary to carry out the intentions of this resolution.

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

Councilwoman Kent inquired on the 30-year bond. Does our savings last the entire 30-years?

Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga stated that in terms of the bond, it won't be UAMPS, it would be Southeast Energy Authority. They are known to be the ones that are going to get the bond, in order to make the prepayment. Essentially what UAMPS is doing is assigning some of our energy to this Southeast Energy Authority, then they are going to get a bond in order to prepay for some of this energy, and then we are going to merge that back at a discounted rate.

Councilwoman Kent asked if it would last the entirety of the bond.

City Clerk Treasurer Sean Richardson stated that his understanding of the bond they are looking at is 30-years, but they are only going to buy in 5-year increments. So, they are going to go every 5 years and repurchase based on that.

Councilman Harmon inquired if UAMPS is estimating a 8% discount added at the time of closing. When is closing?

Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga stated that his understanding of the time of closing will be shortly after the time of execution of this resolution.

Councilwoman Frost stated that there is no risk but lots of reward for the City of Fallon.

Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga stated that was correct. We rely heavily on UAMPS expertise, and they are estimating an 8% discount for the City. I do think, from the City's standpoint, that there is little to no risk.

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

No further comments were noted.

Councilman Harmon motioned to approve resolution authorizing a tax certificate and agreement for UAMPS' Firm Power Supply Project; and other matters; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Public Comments

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

Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.

Councilwoman Frost stated that she and Jane Moon had the opportunity to attend the Rural Roundup this week. It was a nice conference, but still not up to par when the City of Fallon hosted the conference, but I felt like I learned a lot. I am hoping to come up with some good ideas to increase our tourism options, and I thank you for the opportunity to attend that conference.

Mayor Tedford thanked Councilwoman Frost for attending the rural roundup for the City of Fallon and as a member of the Tourism Board.

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 9:07 a.m.

Mayor Tedford

Attest: _____
Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer