

MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh Vol. No. 18/04-02

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: April 2, 2018/6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order by Mayor Perez at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: Mayor Felipe Perez 6:18 p.m.
Council Member Elsa Lopez
Council Member Freddy Valdez
Council Member Brady Jenkins
ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Marcia Sablan

OTHERS: City Attorney Meggin Boranian; City Manager/Acting Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza & others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE *Citizen Dennis Vasquez led pledge of Allegiance.*

PUBLIC COMMENT *None*

PRESENTATION *None*

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on March 19, 2018.**

Motion to approve minutes by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 3-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

2. **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS FIREBAUGH CANTALOUPE ROUNDUP FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY.**

Council Member Jenkins inquired about notification of meetings. Staff replied at the beginning of the year the committee assignment was approve Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem are the representatives but staff also posted the notice of an informational meeting at the community center to be held Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 5:30 for anyone interested in attending. Council Member also inquired if the music and bands are set and have contracts, Police Activity League (PAL) operating the beer booth, lottery system for water sales. Staff replied one of the issues with the beer booth is, the organization must be a non-profit with a 501c permit to obtain a beer license and there are not many in the City of Firebaugh. The city is not eligible to apply for a beer license with ABC. Council Member Jenkins also asked about the Little Mr. and Mrs. Firebaugh and asked why there wasn't a firework show last year. What does PAL do with their proceeds? PAL will not be having the Little Mr. & Mrs. this year but any other organization that is interesting in operating it as a fund raiser is more than welcome to do so. The firework was not held last year because of flooding but PAL will have one this year. PAL's proceeds go to lower cost for kids to participate in Basketball, Soccer, and other activities held for the kids in the City. City Manager added, unfortunately, PAL has limited funding resources, unlike school sports that get school funding, admission fees and have other fund raisers to offset their cost for sports activities.

Recommended Action: Informational Item Only.

STAFF REPORTS

- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – Asked other cities what they are doing regarding OPEB (unfunded liability), response from everyone is they are paying as we go, but will continue to research other options. Council Member Lopez, suggested putting funding aside for emergency situations and other payouts, possibly in the LAIF.
- **City Attorney Meggin Boranian** – CalPERS impacts not just this city but other districts and some that are represented Mrs. Boranian, they also pay as they go.
- **City Manager, Ben Gallegos** – A public hearing for the Cannabis control Ordinance was placed in the Journal, to meet the 10 day legal requirement and will be presented at the next meeting. Construction on the baseball bleachers began again, electrical is included, city has committed \$4000 for paint, and storage area is still there.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Genevieve inquired about the square footage rate charge regarding the cannabis facility, and replied it will cause a problem to find a renter because the rate is too high. City Manager Gallegos responded the rate is about the same price as other cities. Genevieve stated Firebaugh is much smaller than other cities, so rates should less. Staff informed the ordinance will be introduced at the next council meeting, with attorneys in attendance to answer all questions; therefore, this discussion should be continued at that time.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY**CLOSED SESSION**

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT *Motion adjourn by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Perez; motion passes by unanimous 4-0 vote at 6:27 p.m.*