

**MEETING MINUTES**

**The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh  
Vol. No. 16/08-15**

**Location of Meeting:** Andrew Firebaugh Community Center  
1655 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622  
**Date/Time:** August 1, 2016/6:00 p.m.

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

**ROLL CALL PRESENT:** Mayor Freddy Valdez  
Mayor Pro Tem Brady Jenkins  
Council Member Felipe Perez  
Council Member Marcia Sablan  
**ABSENT:** Council Member Craig Knight

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Council Member Jenkins led pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**PRESENTATION:** Esperanza Velazco provided an update regarding the Promoters.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on August 1, 2016.
- 2. WARRANT REGISTER – Period starting July 1, and ending on July 31, 2016.

July 2016	General Warrants	#33768 - #33893	\$ 466,043.02
	Payroll Warrants	#67124 - #67224	\$ 220,813.89
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 686,856.91</b>

*Motion to approve consent calendar with amendment to the attendance of Sablan to the minutes by Council Member Perez, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 3. RESOLUTION NO. 16-34 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH DECLARING SERVICE DOG “BONTIE” AND SERVICE DOG “BOWIE” AS RETIRED. CITY COUNCIL DECLARING BOTH SERVICE DOGS SURPLUS TO THE CITY’S NEEDS AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF BONTIE AND BOWIE TO THEIR HANDLERS, OFFICER GERARDO VACA AND OFFICER ADRIAN SANTOYO.

*Motion to approve Resolution No. 16-34 by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

- 4. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS CANINE SALE RELEASE AND AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS K9 BONTIE.

*Motion to approve agreement by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

- 5. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS CANINE SALE RELEASE AND AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS K9 BOWIE.

*Motion to approve by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**6. THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS AND PROVIDE AN UPDATE OF THE FIREBAUGH COMMUNITY GARDEN.**

*Motion to table agenda item, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

*Motion to enter to Successor Agency matters by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**SUCCESSOR AGENCY MATTERS**

**7. THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FIREBAUGH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO DISCUSS THE SALES PROCEEDS FROM THE PROPERTY DISPOSITION SALES.**

*Motion to proceed with submitting the funds to Fresno County to distribute to taxing entities by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**STAFF REPORTS**

- **Police Chief Raygoza** – Purchase a 2016 Patrol Car with 2000 miles. San Joaquin Air Pollution grant was awarded to purchase additional energy efficient electric patrol car. Currently, working with representatives on audits of the Police Department and equipment: weapons, juvenile holding calls & records along with audit from the Health Department among other inspections. Officer Campa received certification on evidence. Officer Santoyo is leaving; no current Officers on staff that are interested in becoming a K9 Officer. Officer Vaca is currently in training with the new K9, since Bontie is retiring. I hope that a new hire officer will apply to become a K9 officer to replace the Santoyo’s K9 service. Provided an update on Code Enforcement.
- **Fire Chief, John Borboa** – Averaging 67 calls per day, there were two arson fires at Oro Lomo School this week.
- **Finance Director Pio Martin** – Working with the CPA on the Audit, working with Tuckfield regarding the Water rate study, and consultant Albert Peche on refinancing of the bonds. City Hall is also losing one staff member.
- **City Engineer, Mario Gouveia** – Two pre-construction meeting were held today at City Hall.
- **Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano** – No Council Meeting, Sept. 5, 2016 sue to Labor Day, I will be out Sept 19, 2016 at the second Council Meeting of the Month. August 17, 2016, is the last day to file for paperwork for re-election this November. Measure **W**, is the issued tax measure on the ballot for the City’s Utility Users Tax regarding cell phones.
- **Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos** – Reported Public Works will be losing an employee and looking to purchase new equipment for the office, currently the clerk has her desk on 2x4 to lift her desk to accommodate her and also just purchased a new truck for the department. Will be attending a Conference in San Diego August 30 – September 1 to recruit new businesses to the city.
- **Council Member Perez** – Requested on update on the bathroom. Staff will follow up on it.

*Motion to enter closed session by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**CLOSED SESSION**

**8. Potential Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9**

One (1) Case

*Motion to enter open session @ 8:17 pm by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 4-0 vote.*

**ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION:                      No Action taken**

**ADJOURNMENT -                      *Motion to adjourn by Council Member Jenkins, second by Council Member Perez; motion passes by 4-0 vote at 8:18 p.m.***