

MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh Vol. No. 17/07-17

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: July 17, 2017/6:00 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Brady Jenkins
Council Member Marcia Sablan
Council Member Elsa Lopez
Council Member Freddy Valdez

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Felipe Perez

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Council Member Valdez led pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

Presentation by Mr. Jin Zhu of Center for Sustainable Energy, regarding the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project & other incentives available from San Joaquin Valley residents when purchasing electric vehicles.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Becky Holly, Events Coordinator of Fresno Bully Rescue, heard about the issue the City of Firebaugh has been having with stray and owned pets running lose in city limits. Becky Holly is a former resident of Firebaugh and an employee of an animal rescue organization, asked for volunteers from several organizations to provide services and help promote a local event in the City of Firebaugh. The event is tentatively scheduled for September 16, 2017 (10am – 1pm), vaccinations, spayed/neutered, chip/tag installation and other services to be offered at a low cost to pet owners. The event will be in honor of her Mother Mrs. Ronaele “Roni” Holly, whom was a long time resident of Firebaugh, educator at Firebaugh School and pet lover. With the help from Fresno Humane Society, Bully Rescue, Westside Rescue, and several other organizations and former resident of Firebaugh Veterinarian Sarah Jones, supplies will be provided for the event. Spayed and neutered services contributed at this event by a Mendota Donor, with HOPE Animal Foundation doing surgeries. However, we are asking residents of the community to volunteer for the event, more details to be discussed during a meeting at the Firebaugh Restaurant, August 19, 2017, at 11:30 am.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on July 3, 2017.
2. WARRANT REGISTER – Period starting June 1, and ending on June 30, 2017.

June 2017	General Warrants	#35175 - #35308	\$ 243,106.23
	Payroll Warrants	#68305 - #68430	\$ 411,160.39
TOTAL			\$ 654,266.62

Motion to approve Consent Calendar by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion pass by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 3. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-34 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT OF ANNUAL LEVY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 FOR LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 1.**

Open Public Hearing at 6:32 pm –no comment provided - Close Public Hearing at 6:33 pm.

Motion to approve Res. No. 17-34 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion pass by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS

- 4. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-35 - A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING A REPORT OF CHARGES FOR SEWER SERVICES AND FACILITIES, PLUS DELINQUENCIES, IF ANY, IN THE EASTSIDE ACRES/EASTSIDE COURT AREA OF MADERA COUNTY SERVED BY THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018. MAKING FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO ALL OF SAID CHARGES AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO FILE A COPY OF SAID REPORT WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR OF MADERA COUNTY, FOR ENTRY OF THE AMOUNTS OF SAID CHARGES, AGAINST THE RESPECTIVE LOTS OR PARCELS OF LAND AS THEY APPEAR ON ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018.**

Motion to approve Res. No. 17-35 by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Sablan; motion pass by unanimous vote.

- 5. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-36 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH UPDATING IMPACT FEES FOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.**

Motion to approve Res. No. 17-36 by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Valdez; motion pass by unanimous vote.

STAFF REPORTS

- **Police Chief, Sal Raygoza** – Cameras installed at Dunkle Park will provide additional security for the Festival. Have had a few petty thieves, department have a suspect and are searching for him. Repaired bicycles to operate during the festival.
- **Fire Chief, John Borboa** – Insurance evaluation currently in process at the Fire Dept., this has been the most intensive one of all the past evaluations.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – Worked on MOU’s, payroll and daily business.
- **Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano** – Inquired about all agenda items to be listed for the Joint meeting with the School District, will be August 7, 2014 at 4:00 pm.
- **City Engineer, Mario Gouveia** – Presented 2017 Regional Transportation Plan aka RTP (wish list) of projects for Council of Governments (COG), list must be submitted every four years and the list of projects allows the City to apply for COG funding.
- **Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos** – Only one or two individuals have used the cooling center at the Senior Center, getting closer to start bidding process for the rehab project. A community worker, not an employee was driving this weekend, when an issue occurred, a pedestrian involved posted a comment on Facebook, the Police Dept., was attacked based on the posted comment, met with the individual to discuss and asked her to remove the post. She agreed it was not her intent to have the PD be attacked; community employees will no longer be allowed to drive city vehicles. Mr. Lau would like to bring his business to Firebaugh; he provided his newspaper ad and business card for Council to review. A letter mailed to residents regarding the bacterial in the water, was a result of an error on the lab testing process. River Camp was relocated to Dunkle Park from Andrew Firebaugh (Rodeo) Park. Three of the four qualified applicants for Senior Center Coordinator have dropped out.

- **Council Member Sablan** – Asked for assists with increasing attendance for the River Camp. Reported receiving a complaint about asphalt at Q Street, staff reported it scheduled for repair.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY

Motion to enter closed session at 6:59 pm, by motion pass by unanimous vote.

CLOSED SESSION

6. Potential Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - One (1) Case

7. Government Code Section 54957

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT: City Attorney.

Motion to enter open session at 7:46 pm, motion pass by unanimous vote.

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

Nothing to report

ADJOURNMENT - *Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Valdez, second by Councilmember Sablan; motion passes by unanimous vote at 7:47 p.m.*