

MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh
Vol. No. 18/08-20

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: August 20, 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 Pérez
Mayor Pro Tem Marcia Sablan
Council Member Elsa Lopez
Council Member Freddy Valdez
Council Member Brady Jenkin

ABSENT:

OTHERS: City Attorney Meggin Boranian; Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano; Finance Director, Pio Martin; Police Chief, Sal Raygoza; Fire Chief, John Borboa, Mario Gouveia, Wanda Breshears, David & Mary Van Pelt & others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council Member Lopez led pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. David Van Pelt inquired about an update on the minutes from the last council meeting regarding the joint meeting with the School District and the swimming pool.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on August 6, 2018.**

Motion to table the minutes by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Valdez; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote.

2. **WARRANT REGISTER – Period starting July 1, and ending on July 31, 2018.**

July 2018	General Warrants	#36896 - #37029	\$ 612,251.43
	Payroll Warrants	#69771 - #69926	\$ 329,446.90
TOTAL			\$ 941,698.33

Motion to approve warrants by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Valdez; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 18-44 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH REGARDING ITS POSITION ON COMPLETING THE 2020 CENSUS AND RELATED MATTERS.**

Motion to accept Res. No. 18-44 by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Lopez; motion pass by 4-1 vote, Lopez- No.

STAFF REPORTS

- **Police Chief Sal Raygoza** – There were several accidents in Madera County at W Nees Ave, Police Dept. is still working on the details. A transformer caught fire, which resulted in an electrical outage, it was separate issue then the vehicle accident.
- **Fire Chief, John Borboa** – A party was held in Del Rio, in was announced on Facebook, Flyers and other social media sources, there was an accident on Firebaugh Blvd, an individual tried to flag down someone for help but was hit and killed. Another accident with two girls missed the bridge, crashed and the car caught fire, they were pinned in, both vehicles were a result of the party in Del Rio.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – A report on the festival is enclosed in the agenda packet, working on the year-end reports, working with the auditor and Clayton on the water/sewer rate study. Council Member Sablan asked why the salaries for the festival were higher this year. Finance Director reported it is a result of coding staff to the festival instead of their regular duties, which was done in the past. Staff wanted to try to keep a more accurate account of the expenses of the festival, so if staff was working on the festival their time was charged to that fund.
- **City Engineer Mario Gouveia** – Q St project out to bid, hopefully we'll see activity in October.
- **Attorney Boranian** – Sent emails to Council on impact fees, options to reduce them by the school, (they can) but generally it's not done, another option is a development agreement, other schools have done development agreement but ask for more money, not a reduction of impact fees. Spoke with the school district and there is an education code that authorizes school to adjust impact fees. Clovis School District waives all impact fee on all senior housing developments, and joint project is certainly legal, I have other research sources I'm still looking in to. I contacted the School board for a copy of the minutes or transcripts from the joint meeting but I didn't get access until they are approved at their September meeting. Council Member Sablan asked, "What is the next step in this process, and stated she would like to have another joint meeting with the school board." Attorney mentioned, the school could apply for grant funding themselves to build the swimming pool, and the city can assist by looking at one of the provided resources, and council should decide what the city would like to do. Some research or marketing to get feedback from the citizens could be helpful. Council Member Jenkins stated, he did research on grant funding for the swimming pool and provided to the school district. If the pool is a community pool, it will still be impossible to offer free service of the pool to the citizens because state law requires one life guard per every 25 people, and someone would have to pay them. Council Member Sablan asked for this item to be placed on the agenda of September 5th Special Council Meeting.
- **Council Member Lopez** – Asked if anyone has reviewed or discussed the following items to be placed on a future agenda: Prop 3 (Supporting Veterans & affordable housing bond act 2018), Approving & Authorizing an MOU between its groundwater sustainability Agency and the San Joaquin River exchange contractor's groundwater sustainability agency, & Bureau of Cannabis Control Proposed Regulations on marijuana transportation.

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

Motion adjourn by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Jenkins; motion pass by unanimous 5-0 vote at 6:40 p.m.