

MEETING MINUTES

The City Council/Successor Agency of the City of Firebaugh Vol. No. 17/02-06

Location of Meeting: Andrew Firebaugh Community Center
1655 13th Street, Firebaugh, CA 93622
Date/Time: February 6, 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 Elsa Lopez
Council Member Freddy Valdez
Council Member Marcia Sablan
Council Member Felipe Perez

ABSENT:

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; City Planner, Karl Schoettler, CPA Donald Reynolds, Wanda Breshears & others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Council Member Perez led pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

- *Mr. Donald Reynolds, CPA, presented review of the Annual Independent Auditor's Report for the period ending June 30, 2016.*
- *Mid- Year Budget Review for FY 16-17.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Claudia Solis-Alcala provided an update, had a meeting with the City Attorney and Acting City Manager to discuss an agreement. Will be providing a presentation, so currently have been working on research of the town for information. Council Member Sablan inquired if Mrs. Solis-Alcala will provide a class or give an orientation to provide the information on the dangers of post too much information on social media and give helpful tips to avoid cyber bullying, stolen identify and becoming a victim of other crimes, the event to be sponsored by the Health Club. Council Member Perez reported computer class are held on Wednesdays. Members of the Firebaugh High School Future Farmers of America (FFA), provided a brief presentation for a project to beautify the gazebo at the Rodeo ground facility with a \$500 grant they received, work to be completed February 17-20. FFA members plan to paint the gazebo and plant drought tolerant plants around it, with a reveal on February 27, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The City Council regular meeting on January 23, 2017.**

Motion to approve minutes by Council Member Sablan, second by Council Member Perez motion pass by 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 2. **ORDINANCE NO. 17-01 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH ADDING SECTION 27-2 TO CHAPTER 27 OF THE FIREBAUGH MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO SPECIAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO STATE VIDEO SERVICE FRANCHISE HOLDERS – FIRST READING.**

Open Public Hearing at 6:53 pm – No Public Comment given - Close Public Hearing @ 6:53 pm.

Motion to accept Ord No 17-01 by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

- 3. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-03 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH APPROVING THE 2016 FIREBAUGH BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND A NEGATIVE DECLARATION PREPARED FOR THE PLAN.**

Open Public Hearing at 7:00 pm – No Public Comment given - Close Public Hearing @ 7:01 pm.

Motion to accept Resolution No 17-03 by Council Member Lopez, second by Council Member Sablan, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

- 4. **USE OF ANDREW FIREBAUGH COMMUNITY CENTER AND RODEO GROUNDS BY RIVER PARKWAY TRUST FOR CAMPING EVENT, IS REQUESTING WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF RENTAL FEES.**

Motion to approve the use and waiver of the fees by Council Member Perez, second by Council Member Valdez, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

- 5. **THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIREBAUGH TO DISCUSS HEALTH INSURANCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

Motion to approve a stipend to Council Members of \$200 per meeting for Special and/or Regular meetings, not to exceed \$400 per month or select health insurance. Council Members will be paid as vendor with a 1099 form, paid by various funding sources to be effective 2/6/17, by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 5-0 vote. Resolution to be approved at next Council meeting on March 6, 2017.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY

None

STAFF REPORTS

- **Police Chief, Sal Raygoza** – Had a meeting with representatives from Promesa Behavioral Health, they provide online drug treatment via phone or computer, but they need a facility for a line interview with individuals for enrollment in the program. The Police training was offered for this purpose, individuals need to provide proof of residency, estimated enrollment is one or two per month. Received a grant of \$10,300 from the Board of State and Community Corrections to upgrade cameras at Dunkle Park and Maldonado Park, hoping to have enough funds to purchase and place a camera at the Rodeo Ground Park too. A possible grant of \$22,000 which is very specific how it can be spent. Waiting from the District Attorney’s office to release funding for prisoners, but it hasn’t be allocated. Signed contract for 911 emergency line and was able to place cost of the move to the courthouse if or when the police department relocates, because if the 911 line is shut down the city will never be able to reopen it and would have to contract with the Sheriff’s department for two days.
- **Fire Chief, John Borboa** – is seeking approval of new fire truck.

- **Deputy City Clerk, Rita Lozano** – Reminder: Form 700 is due to Fair Political Practices office April 1 to avoid fines.
- **Finance Director, Pio Martin** – Thinking about budget. VNS will complete work at Wastewater Treatment site. For next Year, I would like to have new projects to budget for them. Working with Ben on union negotiations.
- **Public Works Director, Ben Gallegos** – Will have meeting March 9th with EOC. \$5.5 million came out of the town. Working on MOU’s for union negotiations, with all the recent rain, no issues have been reported, covering potholes.
- **City Attorney, Meggin Boranian**– Will review agenda item #5, completed Ethics Training (AB1234) and received good feedback, certificates will go to official employer. Sexual Harassment and Bullying in the workplace are the next trainings to be scheduled. Haven’t received or heard a response regarding the relocation to the Firebaugh Courthouse, was supposed to get a response by February 1st, so a follow-up is needed. Working on Personnel rules.
- **Council Member Sablan** – Attended with Ben a rural bank closure class, made good contacts, especially with representatives from United Security Bank.
- **Council Member Perez** – Computer classes start at the Adult school campus.
- **Council Member Jenkins** – Inquired were the proposed apartments complex will be built. Staff informed at Del Rio and Hwy 33. Spoke with Sean Ramirez of Cal Ripken baseball league about installing a portable pitching mound, so the school’s Jr team could play there. Staff replied it wouldn’t work because they have games at the same time and the field’s dimensions are different for both. Asked Police Chief to provide an update on issued parking permits for resident that live near the school, so students don’t parking in residential parking areas.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEM ONLY

Motion to enter closed session at 8:00 pm, by Council Member Valdez, second by Council Member Perez, motion pass by 5-0 vote.

CLOSED SESSION

6. Government Code Section 54957.6

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: ALL REPRESENTED AND UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

City Negotiator: Ben Gallegos

Employee Organizations: Fire, Police & Public Works bargaining units and all unrepresented positions

7. REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION – Pursuant to Government Code Section #54956.8

Owner or Designative Rep. City Negotiator Ben Gallegos APN:

8. Government Code Section 54957

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT: City Manager.

Motion to enter open session at 9:22 pm, by unanimous vote 5-0 vote.

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

No Action Taken

ADJOURNMENT - *Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Valdez, second by Councilmember Sablan; motion passes by 5-0 vote at 9:23 p.m.*