

**MINUTES OF THE
FERNLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2024**

Mayor Neal E. McIntyre called the Fernley City Council meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

1. INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

1.1. Pledge of Allegiance

1.2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Neal E. McIntyre, City Manager Ben Marchant, Councilman Ryan Hanan, Councilwoman Felicity Zoberski, Councilman Stan Lau, Councilman Albert Torres, Councilwoman Fran McKay, City Clerk Kim Swanson, Administrative Specialist I Sandy Harris, City Attorney Aaron Mouritsen, Senior Planner Shay League, Public Works Director Barry Williams, City Treasurer Robert Carson.

1.3 Public Forum

None at this time.

1.4. (For Possible Action) Approval of Agenda

Motion: I MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH ITEM 7.2 PULLED. **Action:** Approved.

Moved by: Councilman Stan Lau, **Seconded by:** Councilman Ryan Hanan. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilwoman McKay, Councilman Hanan.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. (Possible Action) Approval of Voucher Report

2.2. (Possible Action) Approval of Minutes

2.3. (Possible Approval) Approval of Business Licenses

City Clerk Kim Swanson read the approved business licenses.

Motion: I MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. **Action:** Approved.

Moved by: Councilman Ryan Hanan, **Seconded by:** Councilman Stan Lau. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilwoman McKay, Councilman Hanan.

3. REPORTS - this item is for various public entity representatives to provide general information to the Council and public. No action will be taken.

Chief Deputy Mitch Brantingham, Lyon County Sheriff's Department gave an update from the Sheriff's Department. Dispatch Manager Donna Cupp is retiring after 34 years of service to Lyon County Dispatch Center. The School Resource Officer for Fernley is in the process. There are 2 deputies at the academy getting their certifications and will graduate in May. Deputy Mendoza is back in Fernley after his training with the National Guard. There are 4 deputies currently in field training and will be coming to Fernley mid-March. New employee Kayla Harrison was assigned to social media and the website, LyonCountySheriffsOffice.org. She has also opened an Instagram account for people that don't have Facebook or other social media. There were 2 missing persons reports in Fernley, and they were found.

There is no 24-hour waiting period to report a missing person to the department. The State auto-generated stats report is down, so there are no statistics to report.

3.1. Reports by City Staff, City Council, and the Mayor, including but not limited to monthly statistical reports by city departments.

Ben Marchant, City Manager, stated that the Public Scoping meeting is Tuesday, February 13th, from 4:00 - 7:00pm at City Hall. That meeting is for the Nevada Pacific Parkway extension. It is part of the National Environmental Protection Act that requires public hearings for people to give input on the merits of this project. The public is invited to look at the city's website, cityoffernley.org, or Instagram for the new Community Development newsletter. It provides information on all the new developments in town and tracks each stage of what each project is in. There has been great communication with NDOT and they have agreed to enter into a interlocal agreement with the City to do corridor studies. These studies are going to look at the corridors in town, 95A south, Main Street, the roundabout, and perhaps Farm District Road, to analyze the level of traffic and congestion and deficiencies that may need to be addressed in a future construction plan. On Friday, February 2nd the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development Program hosted a partners' network workshop discussing federal funding grants for various projects such as small business, water projects, and safety projects. The needs of Fernley and its future were discussed and what grants could help small businesses and transportation. The next meeting will be in April. The first 8 parcels in the 2014 Lands Bill have completed their final survey review and the BLM has sent out notifications to all the right-of-way owners associated with those parcels to determine the future necessity of the easements that are currently on there and whether those will continue to be needed. Mayor McIntyre and Ben Marchant will be hosting LT Governor Anthony, Assemblyman Koenig and Nevada Department of Transportation Director Thomason and giving them a tour of Fernley to highlight the growth and development. They will be talking about the growth in the north area plan and the southwest area plan and how the growth will impact the current infrastructure and the improvements that are needed for the transportation and roadways through town.

City Clerk Kim Swanson announced that the candidate filing period begins March 4, 2024, and goes on through March 15, 2024. Council seats up for election are Ward 2, 4 and 5. The filing fee is \$25.00.

Mayor Neal E. McIntyre announced that the State of the City is Feb. 28, 2024, at Senior Citizens Center, at 5:30.

Councilman Ryan Hanan thanked NDOT for their work this week on the corridor. He also thanked Ben Marchant for his continued communication with NDOT.

Councilman Stan Lau reported that the wrestling tournament held here in Fernley had 500 wrestlers. There were 3 wrestlers from Fernley that made it to the finals.

Councilman Albert Torres announced that the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee meeting will be February 9, 2024, at 9:00 am at City Hall. On Tuesday, February 13, 2024, the Fernley Chamber Ambassadors meeting will have a representative from Nevada Housing Coalition. On February 21, 2024, Senator Titus and Assemblyman Koenig will be participating in the Fernley Chamber quarterly luncheon at City Hall to give the legislative update.

4. PROCLAMATIONS BY THE MAYOR

None.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1. Possible action to discuss rescheduling or canceling the second City Council Meeting in June due to the Juneteenth holiday.

Motion: I MOVE TO CANCEL THE SECOND CITY COUNCIL MEETING IN JUNE DUE TO THE JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Councilman Stan Lau, **Seconded by:** Councilwoman Fran McKay. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 5. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilwoman McKay, Councilman Hanan.

6. ORDINANCES

6.1. Consideration, Initiation, and First Reading for Bill #343, an Ordinance for the Annexation (ANX23001) of certain lands to the City of Fernley; lands more specifically described as Assessor Parcel Number 021-581-07, on a site approximately 155.6 acres owned by Garden on Green Bay LLC, located north of the Interstate 80/Exit 50 interchange; into the incorporated city limits, pursuant to NRS 268.670 (Contiguous Voluntary Annexations); and other matters related thereto.

Shay League, Senior Planner, presented first reading for Bill #343. On November 15, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution #23-015 intent to annex the subject property from Lyon County. That Resolution was sent to Lyon County for their review and comment. Ultimately, Lyon County decided not to take any formal action on the proposed annexation and gave the City permission to proceed with final approval. Proposed Bill #343 is the next step in the annexation process. The public hearing will be at the next City Council meeting on February 21, 2024.

7. ITEMS REQUESTED BY MAYOR OR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

7.1. Possible action to request a future agenda item to discuss the possibility of the City acquiring the Fernley Swimming Pool. (Councilman Lau)

Councilman Stan Lau stated that he believes this would get the boards more aligned with the City of Fernley.

Councilman Albert Torres stated that he explained to the pool that the agenda item was just to look at the pros and cons, and we were not making any decisions on taking over.

Motion: I MOVE TO DIRECT STAFF TO LOOK TO SEE IF IT IS VIABLE FOR THE CITY AND FINANCIALLY SOMETHING THE CITY CAN DO. **Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Councilman Stan Lau, **Seconded by:** Councilman Albert Torres. **Vote:** Passed, **Summary:** Yes 4, No 1. **Yes:** Councilwoman Zoberski, Councilman Lau, Councilman Torres, Councilman Hanan. **No:** Councilwoman McKay.

7.2. Possible action to request a future agenda item to discuss the possibility of the City of Fernley purchasing a dog for the Lyon County Sheriff's Department. (Councilman Lau)

This item was removed.

8. ADDRESS REQUEST(S) FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

9. PUBLIC FORUM

Cody Wagner, thanked Councilman Lau for bringing item 7.1 forward, stated that the use of the phrase "take over" should be changed to "merge". The pool district currently brings in \$.20 per \$100.00 assessed value on property taxes, and that number just keeps going up as far as their total property income goes.

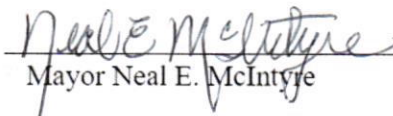
The next meeting will be February 21, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before it, the Fernley City Council meeting adjourned at 5:37 pm.

Approved by the Fernley City Council on February 21, 2024, by a vote of:

AYES 5 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0 ABSENT: 0



Mayor Neal E. McIntyre



ATTEST: City Clerk Kim Swanson

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Submitted by: * Bill Twilley
Email Address: billtwi1957@gmail.com
Phone Number: 17752198400
Address: 1080 Winnies Lane
Meeting(s): Fernley City Council
where your concern should be expressed: *
Meeting Date(s): * February 7
Comments: *

Wish this item to be considered. Observation - during storms we have an accumulation of water at intersections to other roads. The reason for concern is during the winter collections of water freeze. An example is a large pool of water collected at pioneer Crossing. The hazard is if collected water at crossing collects, drivers can slide right into traffic. And at Pioneer crossing they would slide into fast moving traffic, and no one would be able to stop. There are more intersections like this. Proposed solution Have city works after storms photo and record collection points. Then budget in leveling plus a couple inches so water will not collect at intersections, but on the sides of the road.

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Meeting Date(s):: February 7

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Submitted by:* William Isaac Pedersen
Email Address: William.pedersen.california@Gmail.com
Phone (530)574-2102

Number:
Address: 1010 Lehman Court. Fernley
Meeting(s) February 7th meeting

where your
concern should
be expressed:*

Meeting February 7th, 2024
Date(s):*

Comments: * I represent an organization called, "In the Key of Fernley". Self funded, we aim to install beautiful pianos in public parks and locations in Fernley. These pianos will be installed and maintained in fine working condition, by our organization. We are also interested in working with the elementary, junior high, and highschools in giving the students the opportunity to paint the pianos and their accompanying benches. Any vandalism will be promptly dealt with and is a none issue on our end. I have written an extensive proposal covering any questions or concerns you may have, and I can send the document to whomever, whenever requested. I am very much looking forward to discussing this further in person. Warmest regards, William I Pedersen.

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Phone Number:: (530)574-2102

Address: : 1010 Lehman Court. Fernley

Meeting(s) where your concern should be expressed:: February 7th meeting

Meeting Date(s):: February 7th, 2024

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Warmest regards,
William I Pedersen.

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Email Address: billtwi1957@gmail.com
Phone Number: 17752198400
Address: 1080 Winnies Lane
Meeting(s): Safety
where your concern should be expressed: *
Meeting Date(s):* February 7

Comments: * Wish safety on Farm District road to be discussed and consider as a concern. With the plus of growth to the city, we have also increased traffic on farm district road which is causing safety issues. Kids trying to cross during the heaviest times to get to and from bus stops by running across the road, and even when school is not in, they can be observed trying to get across without getting hit. Outside of that many people walk along and cross the road risking accidents. The other point is speed limits are posted at 45, Many drivers are exceeding that with limited enforcement. This area has turned into a residential area and will get more so. At minimum we should put controlled lights at crosswalks. The best solution is put traffic lights at paved roads entering farm district. For the safety of the community this would promote safety where it is needed.

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Phone Number:: 17752198400

Address: : 1080 Winnies Lane

Meeting(s) where your concern should be expressed:: Safety

Meeting Date(s):: February 7

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Submitted by:* Denny D. Pittser
Email Address: fishon97404@gmail.com
Phone 17758351122

Number:
Address: 185 Circle Dr 8C
Meeting(s) City council

where your
concern should
be expressed:*

Meeting 02/07/2024

Date(s):*

Comments: * I had my water shut off due to non-payment on 01/24/2024. Where I live I can't get mail delivery. The city utilities is aware of this. When I called the morning of the 24th of Jan 2024 the call taker who answers city of Fernley instead of their name needs changed as well so we know who we talked with. She stated that they rec'd my 10 day written noticed returned undeliverable. Knowing I didn't get notice still turned water off. Policy should be changed to door notice when city knows we did NOT get 10 day notice. Answer phone add first name and if city knows we did NOT get our 10 day shut off notice place a door notice. I am currently on STD and have to go a couple days without water due to lack of communication.

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Email Address: : fishon97404@gmail.com

Phone Number:: 17758351122

Address: : 185 Circle Dr 8C

Meeting(s) where your concern should be expressed:: City council

Meeting Date(s):: 02/07/2024

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