

CITY OF FAIRFIELD
Regular City Council Meeting #FY 26-15
Thursday, June 18th, 2026, 7:00p.m.

Mayor Terry Lee called the City Council meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. City Clerk Sonja Chrysler took roll call. In attendance were Mayor Terry Lee, council members President Ted Miller, Amy Martin, Rodney Blount, and Tyler Ballard. Also, in attendance were Planning and Zoning Administrator Ed Reagan, Public Works Director Jerry Scovill, and Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Stitt. In the audience were Josh Bovey and Ali Golden.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Council President Ted Miller motioned to approve the agenda, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Council member Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the consent agenda as a whole, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed by rollcall vote 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Josh Bovey – Fire Department - Grant – ACTION ITEM:** Josh Bovey is pursuing the Assistance Firefighters Grant for a new pumper truck. It is a federal grant with a 5% match. The grant amount they are budgeting for is seven hundred thousand and the match would be thirty-three thousand. It is a very lengthy process, and Josh would work with Sonja on things they will need. If the grant request is submitted but not awarded, the work moves over to apply again next year. They do have funds in their carryover to cover the match. They will also be getting rid of the old tender which will help fund the match. They currently have two main pumper trucks. Pumper 1 is 1,000 gallons and Pumper 2 is only a 500-gallon truck. Their goal is to replace it with a 2-3,000-gallon truck. **Council President Ted Miller motioned to allow the fire department to apply for the grant , second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.**
- B. Josh Bovey – Fire Department – Water Tender – ACTION ITEM:** Josh Bovey stated they replaced the old water tender with the new one they purchased from Gooding. They have been working on getting it ready to sell and declared as surplus property. He got a rough general appraisal of \$20k - \$40k if sold at a fixed price. If it was sold at auction it was estimated to sell for about half of that amount. There was some question about the method of selling it and satisfying the state requirements for surplus property. They may be able to auction on a reserved price. Would need to ask the attorney.

- C. Special Events Permit – ETS – City Park Movie Night – ACTION ITEM:** Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the ETS special events permit and waive the fees, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.
- D. Special Events Permit – Friends of Fairfield – Pocket Park Picnic – ACTION ITEM:** Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the Friends of Fairfield special events permit in the pocket park , second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0.
- E. Donation Request – Senior Center- ACTION ITEM:** In the past the city has donated \$800 to the senior center. They did not ask for a donation last year. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve an \$800 annual donation to the Camas County Senior Center, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed by unanimous rollcall vote 4-0.
- F. Soldier Mountain – Bounce House Rental – ACTION ITEM:** Soldier Mountain is doing a patio party event and raising funds for the ski team and submitted a rental agreement to use the city bounce house. The contract states a rental fee, but all were unsure what that fee is. Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the bounce house rental agreement and waive the fee, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0.
- G. Soldier Mountain – Sandwich Board Signage – ACTION ITEM:** Soldier Mountain requested to put up a sandwich board on Main Street where the Senior Center puts their sign. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to allow Soldier Mountain to put up a sandwich board sign on Main Street, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0.
- H. Food Bank Water Usage Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** Ed Reagan stated the food bank was in the process of a remodel to make sure they are compliant with the requirements of Idaho South Central District Health. There was question about having running water to use the sink for hand washing. Currently the water to the building has been turned off. The question of the food bank board was if the water was turned back on so they could use the sink, would the city charge a water bill. Since the building belongs to the city, the food bank will not be charged to turn the water on and use the hand-washing sink.

- I. Fireworks Permit – Camas Creek Country Store – ACTION ITEM:** The Camas Creek Country Store submitted a Safe and Saine Fireworks Permit to sell fireworks. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the Fireworks Permit for Camas Creek Country Store, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0.**
- J. Ziply Fiber – ACTION ITEM:** Ed Reagan stated that 3-4 months ago Ziply came to city council and presented their plans to install fiber, both arial on Idaho Power poles, and underground trenching. Ziply states that they have the permission of Idaho Power to move forward with the arial portion. Ziply contacted Ed and asked the question of if they provide the ROW application, the required bond, and all required items on the list could the city deny it. Ed then contacted our attorney to ask him. The attorney stated that if all requirements are provided, that the city should say yes. Ed said that Ziply is still communicating with ETS about using the existing conduit. Ed is still waiting for all required paperwork and bond from Ziply but will bring it to council once it has all been received. Mayor Lee stated that Ziply had been going back and forth with ETS about using the existing conduit. From the email thread it appeared that Ziply was not in favor of ETS's fees. ETS asked Ziply to provide a copy of their schematics so that they might negotiate, but it did not appear that there was any word since then. There was discussion about the time frame of the dig once policy.
- K. Budget Discussion (changes for this year) – ACTION ITEM:** Sonja informed council that the Balanced Rock ICRMP policy would be increasing by just under \$2,000 for next fiscal year.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A. ADU's – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- B. Nuisance Ordinance Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** Councilmember Amy Martin asked where we were with the nuisance ordinances. Mayor Lee stated we are still waiting for some things from the attorney. He stated he spoke to him just yesterday on a Senate Bill No. 1241 that was brought to the attention of the city. The attorney was able to provide the amended bill that passed. With the amendments that were added to the original bill, it does not affect the city livestock ordinance as the local resident had thought.
- C. North Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

- D. **South Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- E. **Market Animal Building – Action Item:** No discussion.
- F. **Sun Creek Discussion – Final Platt Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

REPORTS

- A. **Mayor's Report and Correspondence:** Mayor Lee: Mayor Lee stated he has had a few people reach out about the pickleball courts. He suggested we move forward with purchasing the net, paddles, and balls. Jerry had tried to epoxy the cracks, but it was too costly to do them all. We will look into the Seagraves grant when the application period opens again. Mayor Lee spoke about cleaning up the streets in preparation of the July 4th celebration. We received the letter from the auditor that requires a signature before we will receive the final audit report. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned for the mayor to sign the audit letter, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passes 4-0. The auditor will be here the second meeting in July to present it to council. Vertical Bridge has taken over the Verizon contract for the cell tower. They want to renegotiate the contract to lower what they are paying now. A representative will call in at our next meeting to discuss it. The library would like to use the pocket park to sell their raffle tickets to fundraise. Per the special events permit an insurance policy is required, however, securing a policy for a one-day event for our small non-profit organizations can be difficult financially. Sonja made a call to ICRMP to inquire about this issue and where the liability sits in these instances. ICRMP advised that it is ultimately up to the city if we want to require it on a case by case basis. Obviously, there is much less risk with certain events like selling raffle tickets, vs. something like the fair with rides or an event with alcohol. The city decided that for smaller low risk events it could be decided on a case-by-case basis whether or not to require insurance. Mayor Lee stated that the city needs to provide the code enforcement officer, Dennis, with a cell phone so that residents can contact him when immediate issues come up. Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to approve providing a city cell phone for the code enforcement officer, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Lee mentioned that the city has only received \$700 so far this year from the tickets issued by the Sheriff's Department. In the past that amount was usually around \$2,500. Currently the city pays \$700 per month plus pays up to \$336 for their power. Previously it was \$400 per month. Some things to consider as we are working on the budget for the next fiscal year.
- B. **Water and Sewer:** Tyler Ballard: No report
- C. **Streets and Alleys:** Ted Miller: Ted asked about the 4H barn materials being located in view of the cameras during construction or possibly putting up a trail camera. Ted announced that the front of the tennis courts are clear of vehicles now.
- D. **Parks and Recreation:** Amy Martin: No report

- E. **Fire and Police:** Rodney Blount: Josh Bovey gave a report: Fuel moisture is a month/month and a half ahead of where it should be right now. He also stated that he met with the county commissioners to put in a request for the SRS Title 3 funds. They received funds this year which had been on hold in previous years. There is a 45-day waiting period to find out if they will be granted. Rodney met with the deputies and Sheriff Martin.
- F. **Code Enforcement:** Dennis Stitt: Dennis requested council approval to move forward with taking custody of the malamute and & lab if they are to be found at large again. There are currently two complaints of the dogs at large and entering homes, however, the owners at this time have not been identified. There was a fourth violation of the Mendoza dogs at large and two violations of failure to license. Dennis will be moving forward with those citations.
- G. **Public Works Superintendent:** Jerry Scovill: The mixer in the well tank went bad and we had to order a new one. The replacement will be here in July. They are expecting to pour concrete next week for the banner poles.
- H. **Planning and Zoning Administrator:** Ed Reagan: Ed issued three building permits this month. One on Mandard Ave. for a garage, one for a manufactured home and garage in the Railroad Subdivision, and a third one for the school for footings for the HVAC system. There was a lean-to done on Sage Ave. but it is not big enough to require a permit.
- I. **City Clerk/Treasurer:** Sonja Chrysler: No report.

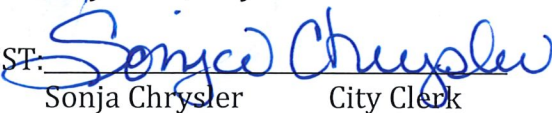
Councilmember Tyler Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Next Council meeting will be on Thursday, July 9th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at 407 Soldier Road



Terry S Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sonja Chrysler

City Clerk

