CITY OF FAIRFIELD
Regular City Council Meeting #FY 27-3
Thursday, November 12th, 2026, 7:00p.m.

Mayor Terry Lee called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Clerk Sonja Chrysler took roll call. In attendance were Mayor Terry Lee, council members President Ted Miller, Rodney Blount, and Tyler Ballard. Amy Martin was absent. Also, in attendance was Planning and Zoning Administrator Ed Reagan. In the audience were Sheriff Travis Martin, Ali Golden, Joe Mabbutt, Fox Ballard, and Wendy Rice.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the agenda, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the consent agenda as a whole, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed by rollcall vote 3-0. Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount :Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye".

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Purchase Speed Limit Signs – ACTION ITEM:** Council was provided a quote to purchase six new speed limit signs that say "25 MPH" and six new signs that say, "Unless otherwise posted". The total cost is $933.12. There was a suggestion to purchase used signs to save money, however the concern was the condition of used signs and how long they might last vs. minimal cost difference. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to purchase the new signs at the quote price of $933.12, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 3-0 by roll-call vote. Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount :Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye".**

B. **Friends of Fairfield – Purchase Approval – Gingerbread House Supplies- ACTION ITEM:** Wendy Rice stated that the Friends of Fairfield is hosting a gingerbread decorating contest. They would like to purchase a gingerbread house for each of the elementary grades. The cost would be $127 for six. They would also like to be able to spend some funds on bowls for chili and other associated expenses. They would not spend more than $500. Joe Mabbut also asked about blocking off five parking spaces in front of the pocket park for people to do smores around fire pits. Mayor Lee stated that Main Street is typically already blocked off for the event. It was decided to block off three blocks on Main Street. Friends of Fairfield will fill out a special events permit to reserve the park for Prairie Days on June 5th, 2027. Joe Mabbutt went over the itinerary for December 4th & 5th.

C. **Barb Wentzel – Sewer Repair Reimbursement – ACTION ITEM:** The sewer was blocked at Barb's house. She called Sawtooth Plumbing to come and clear it. She paid a bill of $1,012.50. Not long after it clogged again so she called the city. Jerry went out and checked the main sewer line and found an 8-foot-long bunch of roots and pulled it out. That cleared Barb's line. Council discussed residents contacting the city first before calling a plumber if there is a problem so that the city can make sure there is not an issue with the main lines and potentially avoid large bills to the residents. It was suggested to send something out with the utility billing addressing that issue. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to reimburse the bill amount of $1,012.50, second by Council President Ted Miller. Motion passed 3-0.**

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

A. **Caven Property – ACTION ITEM:** Mayor Lee is still waiting to hear back from Mike. He was unsure if Mike had the property appraised yet.

B. **Sheriff's Agreement – ACTION ITEM:** Mayor Lee has been talking to Sheriff Martin about the Sheriff's Agreement and about our dog ordinance. Mayor Lee stated that Sheriff Martin was willing to serve the ticket the city writes. Sheriff Martin stated that Mr. Mendoza was issued the ticket the city asked the Sheriff's office to write until they get their own uniform citation books. Sonja spoke to Sheriff Martin about which books to order and she will get them ordered. It was agreed by the city and the Sheriff to move forward and sign the current contract for this next 26-27 year. It was greed to simplify the paragraph that states each party has 90 days to inform the other of their intention to renew the agreement. Sheriff martin asked about the power bill and what happens when the bill falls below the $334, we agreed to pay for their portion. It was stated that previously the city had taken an average of what the bill was and came up with the $334. Sonja said she would go back for the last year and go over the amounts. Sheriff Martin also spoke about kratom. He said he had received some information about it and provided city council with numerous city ordinances that other cities had passed that prohibited kratom from being sold in city limits. Currently it is unregulated in Idaho and anyone at any age can purchase it at a gas station or other store. Sonja will scan the ordinances and email them to each council member to review. Sheriff Martin also stated that they have a system in place now to differentiate the citations written in the city vs. citations written in the county. That way there should not be any confusion about who citation fees go to.

C. **Well & Water Rights – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

D. **ADU's – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

E. **Nuisance Ordinance Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

F. **North Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

G. **Market Animal Building – Action Item:** No discussion.

H. **Sun Creek Discussion – Final Platt Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

I. **Bike Park – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

REPORTS

A. **Mayor's Report and Correspondence:** Mayor Lee:
B. **Water and Sewer:** Tyler Ballard:
C. **Streets and Alleys:** Ted Miller:
D. **Parks and Recreation:** Amy Martin:
E. **Fire and Police:** Rodney Blount: Rodney is working on getting a meeting with the sheriff.
F. **Code Enforcement:** No report.
G. **Public Works Superintendent:** Jerry Scovill: No report
H. **Planning and Zoning Administrator:** Ed Reagan: No report
I. **City Clerk/Treasurer:** Sonja Chrysler: Reminded everyone about the City Christmas party on Saturday, December 12th.

Councilmember Tyler Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Rodney Blount. **Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.**

Next Council meeting will be on Thursday, November 19th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at 407 Soldier Road

Terry S Lee, Mayor

ATTEST: Sonja Chrysler
Sonja Chrysler City Clerk