

CITY OF FAIRFIELD
Regular City Council Meeting #FY 26-13
Thursday, May 14th, 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, Amy Martin, Rodney Blount, and Tyler Ballard came in at 7:03. Also, in attendance were Planning and Zoning Administrator Ed Reagan, Public Works Director Jerry Scovill, and Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Stitt. In the audience was Michele McFarlane with Frontier Community Resources, Wendy Rice, Joe Mabbutt, Debbie Mabbutt, and Ali Golden.

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

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution 2026-06 – Friends of Fairfield – ACTION ITEM:**
Council President Ted Miller motioned for Mayor Lee to read Resolution 2026-06 by title only, second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor Lee read Resolution 2026-06 by title only.
Councilmember Amy Martin motioned to adopt Resolution 2026-06, second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed by rollcall vote, Ted Miller “Aye”, Rodney Blount “Aye”, Amy Martin “Aye”, Tyler Ballard “Aye”. Mayor Lee declares Resolution 2026-06 adopted.
- B. SMILES Grant Check Presentation – ACTION ITEM:** Michele McFarlane was present to present a grant check to the City of Fairfield. She introduced herself as the director of community and economic development for Frontier Community Resources. In September of last year, they celebrated their 50th anniversary and as part of that celebration they invited communities to submit a project for their community that would make SMILES (Simple, Measurable, Innovative, Lovable, Engaging, and Strategic). She said the City of Fairfield submitted what they thought was a fantastic idea for main street banner poles and for that they are happy to award \$5,000 to achieve that. A photo was taken with the Mayor, city council and the clerk receiving the check.
- C. Ziplly Fiber ROW Permit – ACTION ITEM:** Ed Reagan stated that this project is to connect the two forest service buildings with fiber. With the way our ordinance is written, it requires a bond. However, the cost of the project is so

low that he's not sure about getting a bond for that much. His bigger concern is that they not leave a mess of the streets after they are finished. Ed is asking if he can bypass the requirement for the bond but put notes on the ROW permit stating that Jerry must approve of the condition of the roads before it will be signed off. **Councilmember Rodney Blount motioned for Ziply Fiber to move forward with the ROW permit based upon Ed's stipulations , second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0.**

D. Park Trees – ACTION ITEM: Ed Reagan stated in the MOU with Market Animal it states that Market Animal will take down the old building and the City will take out the trees. The plan is to begin demolition as soon as the fair is finished. He wanted to see if the City could begin to remove the smaller crab apple trees now to get ahead and then there would only be the very large ones to remove after the fair.

E. Mountain Humane Annual Contract- ACTION ITEM: Mountain Humane provided the contract cost for the next fiscal year. The cost has gone from \$300 per year to \$360 per year. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve the contract amount with Mountain Humane for \$360 , second by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed by rollcall vote, Ted Miller "Aye", Rodney Blount "Aye", Amy Martin "Aye", Tyler Ballard "Aye".**

F. Amended Subdivision Ordinance – ACTION ITEM: Will discuss at next meeting.

G. Special Events Permit – Farmer's Market - ACTION ITEM: A Special Events Permit was submitted for the Farmer's Market every Friday beginning June 5th through August. Mayor Lee stated that last year we waived the fees. **Council President Ted Miller motioned to approve the Farmer's Market Special Event's Permit and waive the fees , second by Councilmember Rodney Blount. Motion passed 4-0.**

H. Tennis Court – ACTION ITEM: Jerry is going to get filler for the cracks and clean the courts up. There is money from the Mayor's Walking Challenge to be able to pay for repairs and pickleball equipment.

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A. **ADU's – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- B. **Nuisance Ordinance Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- C. **North Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- D. **South Sidewalk Project – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.
- E. **Market Animal Building – Action Item:** . Ed asked if the City had any input or objection to the Market Animal naming the new building.
- F. **Sun Creek Discussion – Final Platt Discussion – ACTION ITEM:** No discussion

REPORTS

- A. **Mayor's Report and Correspondence:** Mayor Lee: Mayor Lee stated that the Sho-Ban tribe will be here the 29th and 30th of May. The 29th they are doing a science project at the marsh to see how far the grass is encroaching. They are looking for volunteers to help pull and mow. There is a QR code for signing up to help. On the evening of the 29th they will have a potluck at the park for the people that helped. Mayor Lee announced that the Stroud family donated a cannon they build to the City. It will be placed out front by the wagon wheel. Scott Horton said he would make the plaque.
- B. **Water and Sewer:** Tyler Ballard: No report
- C. **Streets and Alleys:** Ted Miller: There is no parking in front of the tennis courts because of the vehicles and campers parked there all the time. The code enforcement officer will address this issue so that there is parking available to people using the courts.
- D. **Parks and Recreation:** Amy Martin: Someone mentioned doing something with the basketball hoop at the Zahnor Edwards park.
- E. **Fire and Police:** Rodney Blount: Rodney requested a monthly meeting with Sheriff Travis Martin and meeting with each deputy and a ride along to learn more about the territory they cover. Sheriff Martin asked Rodney to relay that they might be asking for a pay adjustment in October due to increasing costs.
- F. **Code Enforcement:** Dennis Stitt: Dennis stated that with councils' permission he will leave a warning on illegally parked vehicles. He filed an incident report on the Mendoza dogs with Geoff. They will proceed with a criminal fine of \$50 per each of the three incidents. He is also looking into impounding the dogs if there is enough evidence after repeated offenses. Dennis asked if there is a dog outside of city limits, should he respond to it and take the dog to Mountain Humane. Mayor Lee stated that it would be up to the county to take care of dogs outside of city limits, unless they wanted to work with the city and help with the

cost. Rodney Blount stated he was sitting out on his front porch when he saw two very large yellow labs and a malamute coming towards him and they did not look friendly at all. He stepped into his house and grabbed his revolver and put it in his pocket. At that same time his roommate was just getting home and the dogs ran into the home and ran all over, scaring his roommate. They then ran back outside past Rodney. Joe Mabbutt stated that he made a police report at the sheriff's office about seven months ago for being attacked by the Mendoza dogs.

- G. **Public Works Superintendent:** Jerry Scovill: No report
- H. **Planning and Zoning Administrator:** Ed Reagan:
- I. **City Clerk/Treasurer:** Sonja Chrysler: Sonja reported applying for a .gov to be able to move forward with our website and email addresses. She also reported that she is now a notary. The old credit card account is closed, and the credit has been used. The audit went well and the auditors said everything looked good when they left.

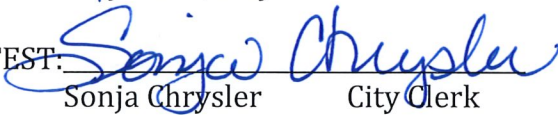
Councilmember Tyler Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Amy Martin. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Next Council meeting will be on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at 407 Soldier Road



Terry S Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sonja Chrysler City Clerk