

CITY OF FAIRFIELD
Regular City Council Meeting
#FY 25-03

Thursday November 14th, 2024, @ 7:00p.m.

Mayor Terry Lee called the City Council meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Sonja Chrysler took roll call. In attendance were Councilmembers: President John Pine, Josh Bovey, Ted Miller, and Tyler Ballard. Also in the audience was Ed Reagan, Danyon Fontenot, Donna Koch, Jerry Scovill, Travis Martin, Antonio Conti, Nick Bombini, and Randy Schwab.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *Council President John Pine motioned to approve the agenda as presented, second by Councilmember Josh Bovey. Motion passed 4-0.*

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilmember Tyler Ballard motioned to approve items on the consent agenda as a whole, second by Councilmember Josh Bovey.
Motion passed 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **New Funding Opportunity for City - ACTION ITEM:** Mayor Lee presented a proposal made by Tour De Force to have their annual race in Fairfield. The race would take place sometime in July on Soldier Road from about the Camas County School to Base Line Road. Tour De Force would have numerous safety measures and their own crew on site as well as employing local fire department, EMTs, and law enforcement. In exchange, Tour De Force would make sizeable donations to our local non-profits. The event could also offer financial opportunities for our local businesses. Tour De Force plans to have a safety team evaluate the stretch of road for final approval on their end. In addition, both the city and county will hold a public hearing to get input from the community. **Councilmember Tyler Ballard motions to move forward and set up a public meeting, second by Council President John Pine. Motion passes 4-0.**

- B. **Market Animal Project Paperwork Form St-101 - ACTION ITEM:** Danyon Fontenot and Donna Koch addressed the council asking if the city would take ownership of the new 4H barn being donated by R&M Steel. The original plan was for the Market Animal Organization to take ownership of the building and complete construction and then turn over ownership to the city, however their 501(c)3 is not complete, which does not allow them to accept the donation by R&M Steel and provide them with the proper paperwork, ST-101, needed for them to claim it as a donation. Location for the new building was also discussed and it was decided that it will be constructed where the old building is now. Demolition of the current building will be discussed at a later date. Will need to speak to city attorney Geoff Schroeder about the requirement to have bids for the erection work, as funds came from donations and fund raisers and not from city residents. **Council member Josh Bovey motions to send ST-101 to R&M Steel, second by Council President John Pine. Motion passes 4-0.**

- C. **Antonio Conti – Seepage Test Results - ACTION ITEM:** Antonio Conti with Ackerman-Estvold presented the seepage test results to council. He reported that all lagoons are passing, and the report has been submitted to DEQ for review. This process could take several weeks. Once we have everything back from DEQ, our next lagoon test would be needed in ten years.
- D. **Ziply Project 5520810 – North Fairfield Fiber Install - ACTION ITEM:** Ed Reagan presented council with the new Public Right of Way Construction Application and bond document. Ziply plans to string fiber on Idaho Power power poles. The North project will begin at Camas Ave. N. and continue north covering all of Fairfield north. Council has concerns that bond amounts are insufficient to cover construction costs as well as the inaccurate description of intended work. Ed explained he has detailed plans and will email them to the City to forward to each council member and our city attorney to review. Council also has concerns with digging, as the City has a dig once policy. The question is, after the fiber lines are strung on the power poles, how will Ziply get the lines from the power poles to the homes without digging? Ed states, Ziply does include digging in their plans. Council will review the detailed proposal and continue the discussion at the next council meeting.
- E. **Ziply Project 5520819 – South Fairfield Fiber Install - ACTION ITEM:** Ed Reagan presented council with the new Public Right of Way Construction Application and bond document. Ed explained Ziply's plans are to string fiber to the entire town, even though the project description says Mormon Reservoirs Rd. The South project will begin at Camas Ave. S. and continue south covering all of Fairfield south. A previously presented, smaller project is now being rolled into the current south project. Council has concerns that bond amounts are insufficient to cover construction costs, as well as the inaccurate description of intended work. Ed explained he has detailed plans and will email them to the City to forward to each council member and our city attorney to review. Council also has concerns with digging, as the City has a dig once policy. The question is, after the fiber lines are strung on the power poles, how will Ziply get the lines from the power poles to the homes without digging? Ed states, Ziply does include digging in their plans. Council will review the detailed proposal and continue the discussion at the next council meeting.
- F. **New 2025 Select Health Insurance Plan - ACTION ITEM:** Balanced Rock met with Mayor Lee and Sonja previously to go over our insurance accounts and make any corrections and updates. They also discussed our options for employee medical insurance renewal for 2025. Balanced Rock presented two plan options. Our options were to stay with the current plan we have or to upgrade to a better "no-deductible" plan for \$56 more per year. **Council member Tyler Ballard motions to approve switching to the "no-deductible" plan, second by Council President John Pine. Motion passes 4-0.**

CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A. **Verkada Trial Cameras -ACTION ITEM:** Jim Rice donated a power pole to the city to set and install the park camera on. Jerry set the pole at the park and is trenching to run power to the pole. Electric One is scheduled to set the conduit on Tuesday the 19th. Electric One will adjust their previous approved bid to reflect the work Jerry has already done. Sonja provided clarification about verbiage in camera purchase contract regarding cellular licensing fees. These fees are to pay for using the cellular programs and not paying for cellular service.
- B. **Sun Creek Discussion -ACTION ITEM:** Ed Reagan reported that P&Z has recommended conditional approval, provided that the developers come back and redraw the plans with a street added to the plans to be able to push snow out of the subdivision and some of the lots having dual access to the property (inside of subdivision and from Soldier Rd) for snow storage. Our ordinance requires two public hearings, one with P&Z, and one with the city. **Council member Tyler Ballard motions to accept the Findings of Fact, second by Councilmember Ted Miller. Motion passes 4-0.**
- C. **Arpa Funds -ACTION ITEM:** Sonja reported obligation of ARPA funds to the following. Seepage test, Verkada cameras, Verkada camera installation, tank inspection, new computers, and the balance being used towards the new backhoe.
- D. **Pickleball Courts Overlay -ACTION ITEM:** No discussion.

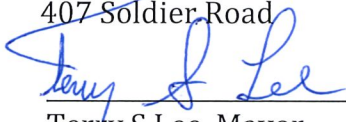
REPORTS

- A. **Mayor's Report and Correspondence:** Mayor Terry Lee: Took status update on progress from Randy Schwab from previous Nuisance Hearing. Randy reported that he was pretty much done with the back lot, took care of the truck and car that was back there and the brush that bordered both his and his neighbor's property. He is working on a section of the fence to match it to the other fencing. He states he will continue to work on the front of the property. Mr. Schwab is planning to move his Conex 3 feet away from the alley. Mayor Lee discussed changing our current Zions credit card to a new program that would allow for ease of accounting and purchasing. Council agreed to discuss it further at the next council meeting and make a decision on it as an action item on the agenda.
- B. **Water and Sewer:** Tyler Ballard: No report
- C. **Streets and Alleys:** Ted Miller: Discussed blading of the roads after fiber installation. ETS has plans to blade roads after completion.
- D. **Parks and Recreation:** John Pine: No report.

- E. **Fire and Police:** Josh Bovey: Fire department found a great deal on a new fire truck in Utah from a private seller. The new fire truck would replace a current truck that is only able to be used for brush fires and the new truck could be used for both brush fires and structural fires. The old truck would be sold in the spring and the funds used to cover the cost of new truck. Fire department would pay \$17,000 for the truck and provide private seller with donation paperwork for \$30,000. Moving forward with the purchase is contingent upon sending someone to look at the truck first to make sure it is in good working condition. Council agreed that the fire department should send someone to look at it, and if they would like to move forward with the purchase, we will put it on the agenda as an action item for approval.
- F. **Public Works Superintendent:** Jerry Scovill: No report
- G. **Planning and Zoning Administrator:** Ed Reagan: No report
- H. **City Clerk/Treasurer:** Sonja Chrysler: No report


Councilmember Tyler Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council President John Pine. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Next Regular Council meeting will be Thursday, November 21st, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at 407 Soldier Road



Terry S Lee, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sonja Chrysler City Clerk

