

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Avenue
Fallon, Nevada
January 4, 2021**

The Honorable City Council met in a regularly scheduled Council meeting on the above date in the Council Chambers, 55 West Williams Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
City Councilwoman Kelly Frost
City Councilwoman Karla Kent
Police Chief Kevin Gehman
Chief of Staff Robert Erquiaga
Deputy City Clerk Elsie M. Lee
City Clerk-Treasurer Sean C. Richardson

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tedford at 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Tedford requested that everyone remain standing for a Moment of Silence for Mr. Don Travis. He was a teacher, a principal, a Churchill County Commissioner, and a member of the Truckee Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the agenda had been posted in compliance with NRS requirements.

Chief of Staff Erquiaga advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with Governor Sisolak's Emergency Directives, the agenda and the supporting materials were posted at City Hall, on the City's website, and the State of Nevada's public notice website on or before 9:00 a.m. on December 29, 2020.

Mayor Tedford noted for the record that Councilman Richardson was out of town.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments. He noted that comments are to be general in nature, not relative to any agenda items. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.

Mr. Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place stated that believing and trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ would bring peace. The Word of God can offer instruction and give wisdom for decisions made in your life. He advised that 1 Corinthians 6:9 advises that drunkards will not inherit the

Kingdom of God. People abuse alcohol and they burn bridges in their family and in relationships. They also kill their body and shorten their lifespan. People continue to do things that are an abomination of God. People sneak around and fornicate. When he was in the Navy, the drunkards were sent to his work center and he had to deal with them and their dependence on alcohol. He used to drink and smoke and cuss, but the Word of God was given to him and he changed within his soul. He is happier today. We all hold grudges, judge, and condemn, even though we say that we do not mean it. God provides the spiritual sense that whatever we do, he can change us and bring joy and peace to our hearts. God wants you to repent and believe in Jesus Christ, but our society and culture have pushed Him out. Virtue, knowledge, and self-control will lead to God and He will give you the peace that you are looking for. You will need it for the very near future, because if what he thinks is going to happen, does happen, darkness is going to prevail.

Mayor Tedford thanked Mr. Knell.

Approval of Council meeting minutes for December 21, 2020

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes for December 21, 2020.

No additions or corrections were noted.

Councilwoman Frost motioned to approve the Council meeting minutes for December 21, 2020 as submitted, seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Approval of Warrants

- A) Accounts Payable
- B) Payroll
- C) Customer Deposit

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any comments regarding the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants.

No comments were noted.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants and authorize the Mayor to sign the same; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration and possible approval of an application by Gregg and Laura Malkovich for a drinking establishment liquor license for Malkos' LLC dba Jo's Stillwater Tea Room to be located at 85 South Maine Street

Deputy City Clerk Lee explained that Gregg and Laura Malkovich, owners of Malkos' LLC, have made an application for a drinking establishment liquor license for Malkos' LLC dba Jo's Stillwater Tea Room to be located at 85 South Maine Street. A drinking establishment liquor license is a privileged license that allows the licensee to sell alcoholic beverages from a fixed and definite place of business for consumption upon the premises only. The application

has been reviewed by Police Captain Alexander, City Engineer Zimney, Deputy City Clerk Lee, and Chief of Staff Erquiaga and has been recommended for approval.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any questions for Deputy City Clerk Lee, Chief of Staff Erquiaga, or Chief Gehman in attendance today.

No questions were noted.

Mayor Tedford inquired if the Council had any comments or questions for Gregg or Laura Malkovich.

Councilwoman Frost inquired if the business would keep the same hours as the previous owner.

Ms. Laura Malkovich replied the new operating hours would be 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. instead of the former owner's 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. schedule.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments or questions.

Mr. Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place stated that he was okay with this business. They have a controlled environment, not like Leah's or The Slippery. Their atmosphere is great, it is very calm, there is no smoking, and when he walks by with his dog, he does not encounter any violence. He asked Councilwoman Frost, as his representative in Ward I, to vote in favor of this application.

No further comments were noted.

Councilwoman Frost motioned to approve the application by Gregg and Laura Malkovich for a drinking establishment liquor license for Malkos' LLC dba Jo's Stillwater Tea Room to be located at 85 South Maine Street; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.

Mr. Geoff Knell of 261 Serpa Place stated that he obtained his business management degree in 2002 and he understood the function of what the Council was doing, except we are going bankrupt. As he analyzed the City of Fallon and Churchill County governments, he looked at all the confusing numbers and noted that control was missing. Our local governments are taking on too much debt and following a pattern which is above our heads and telling us what to do. He clarified that he was talking about the State government. Our State government indirectly gives approval to kill the unborn and Washoe County determined LGBTQ to be healthy and normal in human sexuality teachings. He was there and spoke out against it, but no one would listen because it was all political. There is a marijuana situation and recreational drugs are allowed just for the money. There are people with medical marijuana that give it to family members. As he experimented with and used it, he found that it screws up your body and you make irrational decisions. The influence of Satan comes in. In his opinion, it should not be a source of income, people should not be using it. Marijuana is a gateway for people to do crystal meth and heroin. The COVID-19 lockdown made people turn to these vices. He congratulated the Council on following the United Nations mandate for sustainable development. It was all a plan to screw up this nation and take away liberties. The Council participated in it whether they realized it or not with property taxes, regulation, and ordinances. It is all by design which the Council is under the influence of. He advised the Council to rebel against it and open up this City and let us be free to make our own choices.

Mayor Tedford thanked Mr. Knell.

Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.
No Council or staff reports were noted.

Executive Session

Mayor Tedford tabled the executive session, as it was not needed at this time.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

Attest: 
Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer


Mayor Ken Tedford