

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams
Avenue Fallon, Nevada
November 15, 2021**

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

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
City Councilman James Richardson
City Councilwoman Kelly Frost
City Councilwoman Karla Kent
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Michael Mackedon
Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
Deputy Public Works Ryan Swirczek
Captain Ron Wenger
City Clerk Treasurer Sean Richardson
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill
Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee

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

Mayor Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with the NRS requirements.

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.

No comments were noted.

Approval of Warrants

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

Councilwoman Kent motioned to approve the accounts payable, payroll and customer deposit warrants; seconded by Councilman Richardson and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Appointment and possible confirmation of Kristopher Alexander as Chief of Police.

Mayor Tedford stated that he is going to move on to the appointment and possible confirmation of Kristofer Alexander as Chief of Police. Let me read his biography to you. Kris Alexander was born to Ken and Sharon Alexander on January 5th, 1976, in Balboa Naval Hospital in San Diego, California. He is the younger brother of Stephanie. Kris began his career with the Fallon Police Department in 1997, as a Reserve Police Officer, while also working as a firefighter at NAS Fallon. In August 1998, he was hired full-time with the Fallon Police Department as a Patrol Officer. In April 2002, Kris was assigned to the North Central Narcotics Task Force until June 2005, when he returned to patrol. In August 2005, he was assigned as the School Resource Officer and an Advisor with the Fallon Police Department Explorer Program. He was at that position until 2008, where he then returned to patrol. On March 8, 2011, Kris was promoted to Sergeant of the Patrol Division, supervising the Field Training Officer Program, the day-to-day activities of the department, maintaining the department equipment, and acting as a mentor to other officers. December 14, Kris was promoted to Captain, where he oversees the Investigation Division, Communications and Records, Animal Control and Community Service Officers, School Resources Officers, Narcotics Investigator and Volunteers in Police Service Program, as well as filling in for the Chief whenever necessary. Kris is married to Jerilyn and together they have 4 children, Madison, Brooklyn, Sophia, and Grayson. Also present this morning during this confirmation hearing is his mother Sharon and his sister Stephanie. Today, it is my pleasure, to offer as my appointment to the Chief of Police and ask for the Council's consideration and confirmation, Kris Alexander. If the Council has any questions for you, I know that they have sat with you individually, and you have spent time with them as they asked their questions of you. Does the Council have any further questions of Kris, at this time?

Councilwoman Frost stated that she doesn't have any questions but wanted to state that she has had the chance to work for Kris when he was the School Resource Officer and has also seen his work as Captain. I think you will do a great job and congratulations.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any questions from the public.

No comments were noted.

Councilman Richardson stated that it would be his honor to make the motion and to confirm Kristopher Alexander as Chief of Police; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration and possible action to establish the salary of Kristopher Alexander as Chief of Police at One Hundred Fifteen Thousand and Six Dollars (\$115,006.00) per year.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to establish the salary of Kristopher Alexander as Chief of Police at One Hundred Fifteen Thousand and Six Dollars (\$115,006.00) per year; seconded by Councilman Richardson and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

At this time, Mayor Tedford administered the Oath of Office to Kristopher Alexander as Chief of Police.

Consideration and possible action to approve a construction contract with Sierra Nevada Construction of Sparks, Nevada, in order to complete the 2021 Preventative Maintenance project, PWP-CH-2021-414, in the total amount Three Hundred Forty-Four Thousand and Seven Dollars (\$344,007.00).

Public Works Director Brian Byrd stated that this project is a continuation of a multi-phased approach to preventative street maintenance and rehabilitation throughout the City. Slated for the Fall of 2021, this phase of our preventative maintenance plan would allow for the application of 755,411 square feet of crack and slurry seal. The application of pavement crack seal and Type II rapid setting slurry to existing pavements will aid in filling cracks and voids, creating a weather-tight seal, and providing color and texture to surfaces while prolonging life expectancy. Working with Lumos and Associates, the City of Fallon has performed a conditions assessment survey of existing City streets. The data compiled from that survey was used to classify existing pavements into two categories based off the applicable pavement preservation techniques. The scope of this project includes portions of 14 streets throughout the City that were deemed appropriate for a crack and slurry seal application. The project was released for the public on October 13, 2021 and was advertised in the Lahontan Valley News in accordance with NRS 338. 2 bids were received and opened on November 3rd, as further described in the attached documents. If you have any questions, I would be more than happy to answer them.

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any questions from the Council.

Councilwoman Kent asked if there are different levels of crack sealing. Does it start out with a thin layer and work the way to the thicker layer? Is this the best crack and slurry seal available?

Public Works Director Byrd stated that the City is doing 13 of the City streets with a relatively heavy slurry seal and on A Street, from Venturacci to Maine Street, we are doing a much more significant build-up on that one. We crack seal, then do a leveling course, then we chip seal, and then we end up doing a really, really, heavy slurry on top of it. It ends up about ½”- ¾” thick. So, that application on A street is a lot heavier which drilled the cost up on this project, relative to the square footage. On the other 13 streets, we crack seal and then do a heavy slurry.

Councilwoman Kent asked if we were doing all A Street, or if just the southside was being done.

Public Works Director Bird stated that A Street is from Venturacci to Maine Street. That application we did on N. Broadway was a trial run last season. It was really effective on prolonging the life until a reconstruction is possible. We are expecting to get hopefully, 5 years out of this.

Mayor Tedford stated that the job on Broadway was totally amazing. To back up what Brian said is true, it was a test to see what a heavy slurry seal could do. The cracks that were filled in were totally amazing. Those cracks were so deep and so wide. If you remember, I tripped in one of those cracks, it was a bad fall. The worst cracks we have seen in the City.

That street hasn't been touched since the Spring of 1987. It is almost like a new street; you will notice when you drive on it. It is the street the Road Department and the Sierra Pacific Power trucks drive on. If you get out and walk the street, you would see it is almost like a new street, if it had curb, gutter, sidewalk, and pavement to the edge, it would be. It totally amazed us.

Public Works Director Byrd confirmed the Mayor's statement. With the cost of reconstructions being so great, anything we can do to prolong and still maintain a quality of travel is good.

Mayor Tedford stated that A Street has more traffic, but not as heavy of traffic as those trucks. If you get out and walk Broadway you will see the Broadway Street was more deteriorated than A Street, in the size of cracking and the depth of cracking. I am really excited to try this on A Street.

Councilwoman Kent asked what the schedule of completion date would be.

Public Works Director Byrd stated that we had a lot of success last year, coming into the Fall and Winter with getting all the crack sealing done. It allows proper cure time and prevents another year of degradation. We would like to do the same thing. Come in crack seal, probably in about 30 days, and then come back in the Spring and evaluate which areas held, which ones needed additional crack seal, and then as soon as temperatures and weather allow in the Spring, we would hit that. The first part of Spring, March/April.

Councilwoman Frost asked if SNC was the company that did the Broadway Project.

Deputy Works Director Byrd stated that they were. It was really interesting, the numbers from the last time we did it were almost identical from both contractors that bid. We expected a construction cost increase, and that wasn't the case. So, our Engineer was high on this one, which was unexpected, to say the least.

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Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any Council or staff reports.

No comments 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 9:23 a.m.

Attest: 
Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer


Mayor Ken Tedford