

**MINUTES
CITY OF FALLON
55 West Williams Avenue
Fallon, Nevada
December 27, 2021**

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

Present:

Mayor Ken Tedford
Councilwoman Kelly Frost
Councilwoman Karla Kent
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
City Attorney Mike Mackedon
Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga
Captain Kris Alexander
Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill

Absent:

Councilman James Richardson

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.

Mayor Tedford stated that James Richardson is absent due to COVID protocol.

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.

Appointment and possible confirmation of Sean Rowe as Deputy City Attorney.

Mayor Tedford asked Sean to approach the table on the dais. Mayor Tedford stated that he wanted to give everyone some background on Sean, who he has known for quite some time. Sean Rowe was born in Hailey, Idaho and was raised in Texas despite spending his formative

years in Dallas and Houston. He spent that time trying to get back west as soon as he graduated from High School. He drove to Idaho where he worked and attended school until he came to Fallon in 2007. Sean graduated from the University of Idaho College of Law in Moscow, Idaho, following undergraduate and graduate school where he studied English and Philosophy before deciding to attend Law School. His long road to Law School included detours for jobs that he worked across the northwest being a farm laborer and ranch hand, which comes in handy here, to teaching college English classes, to running a library, and providing tech support for the University of Idaho. During Law School, Sean became a good friend of Lem Mackedon. The two of them studied and golfed, more truthfully probably more golfing was done than studying. They worked their way through their legal course work before graduating and heading to Fallon, where Lem continued to golf, but Sean realized he would never be any good at that game, and for the most part has given it up. In Nevada, Sean began working as Deputy District Attorney in Hawthorne while also practicing here in Fallon. In 2010 he ran for the Mineral County District Attorney position and was elected. He served there for the next 11 years. He was reelected twice and looks forward to not having to run for reelection in 2022. However, he is passionate about working for the public and representing community interests. Sean's partner, and co-conspirator through all of this has been his wife Jessica, who is here today. The two of them met in 1995 and married in 1998. They have 4 children: Peter, Aiden, Colder, and Ansel. After traveling half of the world during their first decade of marriage, the family has settled in Nevada. Jessica is a Professor at Western Nevada College in Fallon and is the current Director of the college campus and rural outreach. Sean reports that he is thrilled to be joining with his long-time mentor and friend, Mike Mackedon and is honored to work with the City of Fallon. It is with great pleasure that I offer Sean Rowe for appointment as Deputy City Attorney and bring him before the Council for your consideration and confirmation. Are there any questions from Council or the public?

Councilwoman Frost stated that she didn't have any questions. I am excited to have Sean join the City of Fallon and I think he is going to do a great job. I have had a chance to visit with him and enjoyed learning about his very interesting background. I want to welcome him to the City of Fallon.

Mayor Tedford thanked Councilwoman Frost. With nothing further from Councilwoman Kent and I know that Councilman James has had time to visit with Sean and knows him very well while working with him during his previous job at Adult Parole & Probation. Councilman Richardson spoke highly of him regarding their conversations and I know that he will be much in favor of having Sean as a Deputy City Attorney. Are there any public questions?

No further comments were noted.

Councilwoman Kent stated that she also had a chance to interview Sean and knows he will do a great job at the City. I would like to make a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Sean Rowe as Deputy City Attorney, seconded by Councilwoman Frost, and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Consideration and possible action to establish the salary of Sean Rowe as Deputy City Attorney at One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars (\$124,372.00) per year.

Councilwoman Frost made a motion to establish the salary of Sean Rowe as Deputy City Attorney at One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars (\$124,372.00) per year, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, and approved with a 2-0 vote by the Council.

Mayor Tedford administered the Official Oath of Office at this time swearing in Sean Rowe as Deputy City Attorney.

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.

Council and Staff Reports

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

No 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 9:20 a.m.



Mayor Ken Tedford

Attest: 

Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer