

**MINUTES  
CITY OF FALLON  
55 West Williams Ave  
Fallon, Nevada  
April 7, 2023**

The Honorable City Council met in a special 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  
Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga  
Deputy City Attorney Sean Rowe  
Public Works Director Brian Byrd  
Deputy Public Works Adrian Noriega  
City Clerk-Treasurer Sean Richardson  
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill  
Chief of Police Ron Wenger  
Captain John Riley  
City Engineer Derek Zimney  
Director of Tourism Jane Moon

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

Mayor Ken Tedford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

City Clerk-Treasurer Sean Richardson advised that the agenda was posted in compliance with the NRS requirements.

**Public Comments**

Mayor Ken 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 Daniel Babiarz as Police Captain. (For possible action)**

Mayor Tedford stated that in my honor, here today, to offer to the Council, my  
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appointment of Dan as Captain to the Fallon Police Department. Daniel Babiarz was born to Thomas & Laura on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 1988, in Chicago, Illinois. Daniel began his career with the Fallon Police Department in 2004 as a volunteer in the Police Explorer Program when he was only 14 years old. Through the Fallon Police Explorer Program, he found his passion was to become a Police Officer. Daniel pursued his career with the City of Fallon and became an Intern with the Fallon Police Department as a senior in High School. In 2007, he became a full-time member of the FPD as a Police Service Assistant, where he worked in Dispatch, the front counter and support operations. At 20 years old, Daniel attended the Nevada Peace Officer Standards and Training Basic Academy in Carson City. He was formally sworn in as a Police Officer while in the academy classroom when he turned 21 years old. I had the opportunity to drive to Carson City to witness that feat. Daniel later graduated from the academy with the Top Academic and Overall awards in his academy class. Daniel worked as a Patrol Officer, Detective and was promoted to Patrol Sergeant in 2016. In March 2022, he transferred back to the Detective Division as the Detective Sergeant. In addition to conducting investigations, Daniel was directly responsible for supervising Detectives assigned to the Investigations Division, School Resource Officers, Police Service Assistants, and the Volunteers in Police Service Program. Daniel is proud of his professional accomplishments, including being an Eagle Scout, possessing his Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, and Supervisory POST certificates, and maintaining his Advanced EMT certification. Daniel has an associate degree in criminal justice and is actively completing his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Management. Daniel is married to Tavana Babiarz, and together they have two children, Kinsley, and James. Also present for his swearing in are his grandmother Janet, Uncle James, and sisters Shasta, Savannah, and Makayla. And today it is my pleasure to appoint Daniel to the position of Police Captain.

Councilman Harmon commented that he thoroughly enjoyed meeting with the future Captain last week. I am very comfortable with your recommendation on who you chose to put in this position.

Councilwoman Kent mentioned that it is really awesome that he started here at 14 years-old and worked his way up through the ranks. You don't see that very often. Thank you very much for your service. She motioned to make the appointment and confirm Daniel Babiarz as Police Captain; seconded by Councilwoman Frost and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

**Consideration and possible action to establish the salary of Daniel Babiarz as Police Captain at One Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$112,000.00) per year. (For possible action)**

Councilman Harmon motioned to establish the salary of Daniel Babiarz as Police Captain at One Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$112,000.00) per year; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Mayor Tedford administered the Official Oath to Daniel Babiarz.

**Public Comments**

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments.

No comments were noted.

**Council and Staff Reports**

Mayor Tedford mentioned that everyone still needs to be aware of the flood and take all

measures you can to be protective of that. This is worse than 2017 and I think that there will be more coming out in press releases that you will need to watch on the Churchill County, TCID, and City of Fallon websites. Monitor those daily or every other day just to be careful of what goes on around your house or your neighborhood.

No further reports were noted.

**Executive Session**

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

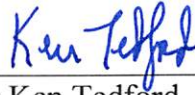
**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Tedford adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

Attest:



Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer



Mayor Ken Tedford