

Ferron City Council Meeting Minutes June 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers – Ferron City Hall 20 East Main Street, Ferron Utah Phone - (435) 384-2350 Web - ferroncity.org

 CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, WELCOME & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Trent Jackson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Mayor Trent Jackson	X	0.000.000000
Councilmember Laramie Morgan		X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X	
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X	
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X	
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X	32

Council Member Kellee Singleton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. PUBLIC HEARING

Council Member Ray Petersen made a motion to leave the regular council meeting and enter a public hearing to discuss submitting an application to the Permanent Community Impact Board for the funding of the Ferron City Agricultural Center. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X	8	
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.		. <del></del>	

Mayor Trent Jackson explained to the audience that Ferron City had submitted an application to the CIB Board. It would be to build an Agricultural Center to replace the barn. The total project cost would be \$6,000,000.00. The Mayor proceeded to explain that a grant request in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 and with \$3,000,000.00 funding from the city. The current plan is to build something that is scaled down from what the original idea was. It would be an Agricultural Center that could be used for multiple events not just for a stock show. The Center would have multiple components for a stock show, such as a pig barn and wash rack. Depending on funding will determine the actual size of the Agricultural center. It is currently going to go where the old barn was, it would be the goal to get something big enough that bleachers could go inside. If we can and we have the funding it would be closed off and probably be moved to where the current arena is. Everything will depend on how much funding Ferron City receives. It will have a great big arena and an area to set up stalls during the stock show for the different animals. The pig section would be where the current wash racks are. We need to remember that this building would be big enough for roping, barrel racing and other events. When talking about what we would want to build to replace the barn, the goal was to create a multi-use facility. Ferron City did not want to rebuild a building that would only be used once a year. The Mayor introduced Wyatt with Jones and DeMille who was at the hearing to answer any questions anyone may have. Wyatt and his team at Jones and DeMille had been instrumental in helping with the CIB application. Ferron City has a September date to meet with the CIB. The Mayor asked if there were any questions:

Council Member Vance Brown wanted to clarify the funds we were asking for. The grant that we applied for is \$3,000,000.00. The city's match would be \$3,000,000.00. It is a 50% match. Mayor advised that the hope is to get 2.5 million from the insurance company, \$500,000 at least from the county. The clean up would be counted as in kind towards the grant.

Citizen Brad Clausen asked again about the funding and to clarify. Mayor stated that 2.5 million from the insurance company and hopefully \$500,000 at least from the County. Then requested 3 million from the CIB. Ferron City does not want to get a loan. If CIB comes back and states that they will give us 1.5 or 2.5 million in grant and the rest in loan, then that is where the Council will need to give input and decide what we are going to do.

Council Member Vance Brown wanted to clarify how much we have received from the insurance company. Could we pin them down for how much they will give us. Mayor advised that the insurance company won't commit to a number. Council Member Brown stated that they were supposed to make us whole. Mayor advised the Council about the conversations that have taken place with the insurance company. The emails stated that they would "build like" and we are not building a wood structure building. Council Member Brown stated that it would be more expensive to "build like" than to just start from scratch. Mayor advised that the 2 contractors that had bid the rebuilding had the figure around 3.5 million. The insurance company just doesn't see it that way.

Citizen Dusty Justice asked if the surrounding buildings would be utilized. Mayor advised that the sheep barn would remain.

Council Member Brown asked Wyatt with Jones and DeMille Wyatt if in the future the building could be expanded on. Wyatt explained that right now they were in the schematic design phase. However, yes, the building could be expanded in the future. Mayor advised that if we expanded in the current footprint that there is a drain line that could be moved by the Service District. If the building was expanded there wouldn't be room where the original structure was. It would need to be moved to the center of the horse track. Nothing has been finalized.

Citizen Brad Clausen asked if the city had met with the steering committee. Mayor advised that they had. Council Member Brown asked if some of the preliminary work that has been done would that be able to be used towards the in kind. Wyatt advised it could be.

Citizen Brad Clausen asked if the goal date would be Summer 2026. The answer was that is the goal.

Mayor advised that we do have the 1.1 million that could be used to start the demolition of the burnt structure. The Coal Country stock show is still using the fairgrounds. They have just changed some things so that it could be at the fairgrounds. The Southeastern stock show wanted to do a clinic at the fairgrounds after the Coal Country show. After that, the goal is to take it down. The target date is the end of June/First of July.

Mayor asked if there were any other questions from the public or Council. None

Council Member Vance Brown made a motion to close the public hearing for the application to the Permanent Community Impact Board for the funding of the Ferron City Agricultural Center. Council Member Ray Petersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
<b>Councilmember Vance Brown</b>	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried			

Councilmember Gerry Stotler motioned to enter back into the regular council meeting. Council Member Vance Brown seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

## 3. PUBLIC HEARING 2025-2026 BUDGET

Council Member Ray Petersen motioned to leave the regular council meeting and enter into a public hearing to discuss the 2025-2026 budget for Ferron City. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nav	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		TIDDUIL
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			$\overline{\mathbf{x}}$
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	$\overline{\mathbf{x}}$	-	
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

Mayor Jackson turned the meeting over to Gary Keddington to explain and answer any questions concerning the 2025-2026 budget.

Mr. Keddington explained to the Council and Public

- The Garbage revenue and expense and been moved to its own budget. That the garbage revenue had not been covering the garbage expense.
- That the Capital Fund Account should only be used for Large Projects. Smaller projects should be expensed in the individual departments.
- The wages for the City Treasurer and City Recorder will now be split up correctly.
- Employees of the City will be given a 2.5% Cola wage increase.
- It has been budgeted to hire another full-time employee for the maintenance department, \$90,000
- Increase for benefits
- Increase for URS benefits

Mayor Jackson explained that Money had been transferred from the fund that had been originally set aside for the renovation City Hall 2.0 to go to EMS. That all the City's in the County had been asked to contribute to help cover the cost of EMS.

Council Member Vance Brown asked about the purchase of the land from the BLM for the Golf Course and if that was a one-time expense. Yes, it would be. Citizen Brad Clausen asked about when we would possibly be making that purchase, possibly in August.

Council Member Ray Petersen advised that the pending purchase had to go to the federal register which has a 45-day comment period. It was hoped that the date would begin on the 27<sup>th</sup> of June.

HR Coordinator, Tim Johnson, asked if the proposed raises for the employees were just COLA or were there merit raises proposed also? At this time, it would just be COLA and not merit.

Gary Keddington advised the Council that the Sub Fund for the Class C funds had been simplified and that he would be working with Council Member Ray Petersen to make sure that it was something he would understand, and it was how he wanted it set up.

a. Certified Tax Rate - Resolution 2025-4

The mayor advised that as of to date the County has not given us the numbers that we need for the certified rate. However, for the budget purposes. So, it was proposed that we accept the rate of .007 for General Operations and if need we would reopen the budget and ratify the resolution and budget.

b. Increase in Garbage Fee - Resolution 2025-3

As explained, the City of Ferron had been losing money on garbage for several years. The reason being that the roll offs around the city and the cleanup roll offs had not been figured into the budgeted expense amount. After doing some math it was determined if an additional \$1.50 was charged to the first can this would help cover the costs for the roll-offs. So, starting July 1, 2025, the first can will be \$13.25 and the second can will be \$7.45. This includes the annual increase. This will appear on the bill that is received on August 1, 2025.

c. Risk Assessment

Ferron City ended with a score of 305 which is a moderate score. There was some debate about the online training. However, we will make sure that EVERYONE does it in January and has the information to Gary to avoid any confusion.

d. Discuss 2025-2026 Budget - Resolution 2025-5

Mayor asked if there was any further questions concerning the budget from the public or from the Council. Citizen Sherry Howard asked about the increase in Garbage fees if it would affect the second can and the Mayor advised it was just for the first can.

Council Member Gerry Stotler made a motion to adjourn the public hearing for the 2025-2026 Budget. Council Member Ray Petersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nav	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X	,	
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.	-		

Council Member Gerry Stotler motioned to return to the Ferron City Council Meeting. Council Member Kellee Singleton seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Rental Form Kevin Jensen
- b. Minutes dated 4.2.2025
- c. Minutes dated 5.7.2025
- d. Minutes dated 5.14.2025 Not available

Council Member Gerry Stotler motioned to approve the Consent Agenda without the minutes dated May 14, 2025. Council Member Ray Petersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X	(9	
Councilmember Laramie Morgan	2	0	X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

## 5. GENERAL BUS. / DISCUSSION ITEMS / ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Change to Personnel Manual. Sunsetting vacation time, sick time and compensatory time and replacing with Paid Time Off. Mayor Jackson
  - -All balances that are currently sick and vacation will be transferred over.
  - -Compensation time will end.
  - -No one will lose any time.
  - -Bereavement was discussed.
  - -Floating Holiday instead for Birthday
  - -No separation between Vacation and Sick.

b.	DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Change or sidewalk. – Council Member Petersen -Increase the bid by \$13,534 -Work on Canyon Road by the l			nove/Replace and install
Council Me bid propose seconded th	ember Ray Petersen motioned to approved by Mike Riley Construction for the action.	e the change ord Iditional work.	der in the amoun Council Membe	nt of \$13, 534 to the er Vance Brown
Ro	Il Call Councilmember Kellee Singleton Councilmember Laramie Morgan Councilmember Vance Brown Councilmember Gerry Stotler Councilmember Ray Petersen Motion carried.	Aye X X X X X	Nay	Absent
	DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Purchase a -Proposed a gate to be installed -Cows accessing the Cemetery -Motorcycles and cars at night -The gate would be closed in the -It is a security measurePresented the drawing and bid a mber Ray Petersen motioned to approvember Gerry Stotler seconded the motio	e evenings. It wo	ould have a walk- banks. \$6,6559.6	-through service.
	Il Call Councilmember Kellee Singleton Councilmember Laramie Morgan Councilmember Vance Brown Councilmember Gerry Stotler Councilmember Ray Petersen Motion carried.	Aye X X X X	Nay	Absent
d.	DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY Fire Station -Requested by the Fire Chief Ration-North door and the EMT door -No one really knows who is good-Bathrooms are left a messSame key system that we have -All keys will be issued through	indy Kenney ing in and out of here in City Hall	the fire house.	
	ember Vance Brown motioned to approvervices. Council Member Kellee Singleton			tem from Superior
Ro	ll Call Councilmember Kellee Singleton Councilmember Laramie Morgan	Aye X	Nay	Absent

**Councilmember Vance Brown Councilmember Gerry Stotler** Councilmember Ray Petersen

Motion carried.

	e.	DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY -	- OPENING	THE 2024-2025	<b>FISCAL</b>	YEAR BUDGE
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Council Member Vance Brown made a motion giving permission to Gary Keddington, Ferron City CPA to open the 2024-2025 City Budget to make changes to make it compliant with Audit. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nav	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X	320723 <b>4</b> .	
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

#### f. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY - Risk Assessment

Council Member Gerry Stotler motioned to approve the Ferron City Risk Assessment as explained in the Budget Public Hearing. Council Member Kellee Singleton seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X	177	
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried			

## 6. Resolutions

a. 2025-3 A Resolution to Amend and Increase City Garbage Fees

Council Member Ray Petersen motioned to approve Resolution 2025-3 A Resolution to Amend and Increase City Garbage Fees. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

b. 2025-4 A Resolution to Approve Certified Tax Rate

Council Member Gerry Stotler motioned to approve Resolution 2025-4 A Resolution to Approve the Certified Tax Rate. Council Member Ray Petersen seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		-
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X	7	
Motion carried.			

c. 2025-5 A Resolution to Approve the Ferron City 2025-2026 Fiscal Budget Council Member Ray Petersen motioned to approve Resolution 2025-5 A Resolution to Approve the Feron City 2025-2026 Fiscal Budget. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.	N <del></del>		

d. 2025-6 A Resolution to Amend the Ferron City Personnel Manual – PTO Council Member Vance Brown motioned to approve Resolution 2025-6 A Resolution to Amend the Ferron City Personnel Manual – PTO. Council Member Kellee Singleton seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.	) <del>;                                    </del>	(L	

#### 7. REPORTS

- a. BUDGET REVIEW N/A
- b. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

MAYOR TRENT JACKSON – Report from the EMS meeting. Ferron City did budget for to help with EMS. It may be something that we will need to continually budget for. The City has switched over from a .org to a .gov. I would like to see security cameras installed City wide and also electronic keys.

COUNCIL MEMBER VANCE BROWN – We have been approved by the historical society for a grant to digitize our Ferron Cemetery. It will be just like Molen Cemetery.

Unfortunately, we had another tree go down and take out a water line. We will need to look at having some more trees removed. It isn't if those trees will come down, it is when.

COUNCIL MEMBER RAY PETERSEN – In the new fiscal year I would like to send out to bid another 4 blocks of sidewalks/ cub and gutter. CVSSD is working on the chip seal and repairing where they dug up the roads. The golf course is looking better. Kasey has been busy mowing the fairways. This last winter was hard on the greens.

COUNCIL MEMBER GERRY STOTLER – Water is always a concern. The spillway will probably not be spilling this year.

COUNCIL MEMBER LARAMIE MORGAN - Absent.

COUNCIL MEMBER KELLEE SINGLETON – 4 fire fighters are red card certified. There are now 10 firefighters in total. The fire department would like to purchase new props for training. The Auxiliary will be doing a fund raiser in July. Randy O'Neal is going to help with the Urban Deer Program. It is a program that not familiar with so is going to have to investigate more. Mayor noted that Ferron City is being looked at by the County as a role model concerning animal control. Good Job.

c. GOLF COURSE AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS AND WORK ORDER REVIEW

KASEY EDGEHOUSE – Council Member Petersen reported. KASEY MORRIS – The down tree at the cemetery was cleaned up. The headstones will be repaired. Cleaning up the old shop.

Council Member Stotler motioned to close the public Ferron Cit	y Council Meeting and enter Closed Session.
Council Member Ray Petersen seconded the motion.	

Roll Call	Aye	Nav	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

(While leaving the Council Chambers Citizen Larry Winn started to speak to the Council. Mayor Jackson stopped Mr. Winn and advised if he would like to address the Council he could fill out a request to be on the agenda. Treasurer Jacque Wilde gave Mr. Winn the form to fill out.)

# 8. CLOSED SESSION

Council Member Gerry Stotler motioned to close the closed session and enter the public Ferron City Council Meeting.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

Council Member Vance Brown motioned to reenter into the public Ferron City Council Meeting. Council Member Singleton seconded the motion.

Roll Call		Aye	Nay	Absent
	Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
	Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
	Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
	Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
	Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
	Motion carried		A	

# 9. APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

10.

Council Member Ray Petersen motioned to pay the bills. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Kellee Singleton	X		
Councilmember Laramie Morgan			X
Councilmember Vance Brown	X		
Councilmember Gerry Stotler	X		
Councilmember Ray Petersen	X		
Motion carried.			

# 11. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Kellee Singleton motioned to adjourn the Ferron City Council Meeting. Council Member Gerry Stotler seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Councilmember Kellee Singleton Councilmember Laramie Morgan Councilmember Vance Brown **Councilmember Gerry Stotler** Councilmember Ray Petersen Motion carried.

Aye	Nay	Absent
		X
<u>X</u>		-
X	· ·	-

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Attest:

Barbara Bowles Ferron City Recorder (Jul 8, 2025 11:00 MDT)

Mayor Trent Jackson