



Present:

Mayor Adele Justice (phone) Council Member Troy Winter
Council Member Dell Mead Council Member Brad Richman

Also Present:

Brittany Yeates, Recorder Darrell Brotherson Kathy Brotherson
Brent Funk Brad Clausen Gerry Stotler
Kenzi Guymon

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, WELCOME & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Mead welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Council Member Winter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Winter moved to open the public hearing on input for dumpsters at 7:01 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Richman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

2. CONSIDER INPUT REGARDING DUMPSTERS

Council Member Mead explained that there are new plans for the fairgrounds and the dumpsters need to be removed in order to move forward with those plans.

Gerry Stotler asked if the cement area where the dumpsters currently are could be repurposed? The city will be removing all the cement because the whole area will be used for parking.

Council Member Winter said that another reason they are being moved is that they are currently being abused.

Brad Clausen wondered if the city could have dumpsters delivered throughout the community multiple times a year like they currently do in Spring? Having a city wide clean up multiple times a year is an option.
Mr. Clausen then asked about those who don't have a garbage can at their home and just use the dumpster. The recorder told him that every citizen in Ferron should be charged for the first can even if they don't have one. That is part of the agreement the city has with Citi Sanitation.

Kenzi Guymon asked where the dumpsters could be moved to permanently? The Council said that is why they called this public hearing. They wanted to hear if the public had any good options of where to put them. The city had thought to put them in the middle of the racetrack but that would mean lots of traffic driving over the track. Have talked about putting them out at the old sewer lagoons but that would increased traffic down the narrow Bowden Lane. Up by the cemetery was another option but when the city needs to expand the cemetery in the future, they'll be in the same situation of moving the dumpsters.

Council member Mead explained that wherever they are moved to they will be fenced in and gated so that when the dumpsters are full, the gates can be locked to prevent the current problem of overfilling.

Brad Clausen said his recommendation was getting rid of them.

Council Member Mead said his biggest concern with getting rid of them is people will start dumping in the desert. He then read the letters submitted to the city concerning this matter.

Greg Funk says they need to be put where they can be watched.

Anonymous: Please keep the dumpsters. They are very helpful & always used. I would hate to see the town if you take them away. Please keep!

Bart & Kathy Peterson: When we moved to Ferron 16 years ago it was because of a good job offer at the Hunter Plant. It was a big change in our lives at the time coming from Utah County. It was a pleasant surprise to move to Ferron and have all the amenities of a big city. We have sewer, electric, gas, fiber, cable and streets that are in better shape and a lot wider than big cities. We have a golf course and a state park at our back door. We also have garbage pickup. But above all that we have had access to a dumpster that makes it easy to get rid of larger trash at our convenience. I can't overstate how big a benefit this is for our family and if it has to be moved that is okay but please consider keeping them year-round. The whole city uses these regularly and I know they get abused and overfilled sometimes but please, please, please keep them!

Kenzi Guymon said she whole heartedly agree with Bart and Kathy.

Brad Clausen said he was worried about the large expense of putting them somewhere else. The recorder said the city has a healthy water & garbage fund.

Council Member Richman moved to close the public hearing on the dumpsters at 7:21 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Richman. Motion carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

3. CANVAS OF 2021 GENERAL ELECTION

The Recorder reported that the city had 9 valid ballots that came in after election day. There were 4 ballots that were invalid due to a late postmark or missing a signature. Ferron has 866 registered voters. 306 of those voted making that 35.33% turn out. For Mayor, Adele Justice received 241 votes. For the 4-year council seats Gerry Stotler received 147 and Dell Mead had 235. For the 2-year council seat, Brad Richman had 167 and Randy Fox received 133. Brad Richman won the 2-year seat.

Council Member Richman moved to approve the 2021 canvassing of the election. Council Member Winter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Winter moved to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Richman. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Mayor Adele Justice

Brittany Yeates
Ferron City Recorder