MINUTES CITY OF FALLON 55 West Williams Ave Fallon, Nevada March 13, 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
Councilman Paul Harmon
Chief of Staff Bob Erickson
Deputy City Attorney Trent deBraga
Public Works Director Brian Byrd
City Clerk-Treasurer Sean Richardson
Deputy City Clerk Elsie Lee
Deputy City Clerk Michael O'Neill
Captain 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.

Consideration and possible confirmation of Ronald Wenger as Chief of Police.

Mayor Tedford stated that he would like to offer Ron's name, as my appointment, to the Council for confirmation as Chief of Police. I would like to read some background on Ron.

Ron was born and raised the son of a United States Air Force Chief Master Sergeant Don Wenger and Emma. The family moved several times; to include Sault Sainte Marie Michigan, Orlando Florida, Sacramento California, and Ron's hometown, Merced California. Ron has three siblings, Annette Lindquist of Texas, Bryan Wenger of California, and Janice Goodman of Missouri. On January 1, 1980, Ron enlisted in the United States Coast Guard. After finishing tech school, Ron was stationed at Loran Station Fallon Nevada at the end of Soda Lake Road. Many of you remember this station, it was out here for years. In mid-1983 Ron was accepted into the Fallon Police Reserve Program, working many hours to earn a level one reserve officer designation, which at the time, allowed him to work a uniformed position and fill shift vacancies within the patrol division. In July of 1984, Ron was hired full-time as a paid reserve officer in the shift rotation of the patrol division. Ron completed his enlistment with the Coast Guard in January of 1985. In March of 1985 Ron was hired as a full-time patrol officer with the police department and worked patrol until June of 1989, when he had to resign to move home to help care for his terminally ill father. During that time, from January of 1990 to June of 1995, Ron worked as a deputy Sheriff with the Mariposa County Sheriff's Office. After his father's passing, Ron began a relentless mission of returning to the town and department he loved. In June of 1995 a position became available at Fallon PD and Ron jumped at the chance, starting over again in the patrol division. A short time later in 1996, Ron was promoted to Corporal and was transferred into the detective's division where he served until his promotion to Patrol Sergeant from 2001 to 2013. On July 1, 2013, Ron was promoted to his current position, Captain, were he served the patrol division until February of 2022 when he was reassigned to serve the support services division of the department. During his time as Captain, he attended the FBI National Academy and graduated from Session 257. Ron has accumulated thirty-eight and a half years in law enforcement service, thirty-three with the Fallon Police Department, as well five additional years in the United States Coast Guard. Ron is happily married to Katrena, who's here, his wife of thirty-one years. Ron and Katrena feel blessed to have raised their three children, Rachelle, Colton, and Justina in Fallon. Their children have blessed them with nine grandchildren, Ryan and Harley Gomes, Easton, Weston and Tulsa Wenger, Zoee, Kruz, Swayze and Jozie Thomson. With that, I will leave it open for questions for Ron, that the Council may have. I know that you have all met with him, and that Ron has been here for a while. I know that you all know him.

No comments were noted.

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

No comments were noted.

Mayor thanked everyone for coming today.

Councilwoman Kent motioned to confirm Ronald Wenger as Chief of Police; seconded by Councilman Harmon and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Mayor Tedford stated that we will move forward to the next agenda item before the Official Oath is administered.

Consideration and possible action to establish the salary of Ronald Wenger as Chief of Police at One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$127,488.00) per year.

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

No comments were noted.

Councilman Harmon motioned to establish the salary of Ronald Wenger as Chief of March 13, 2023 Fallon City Council Meeting 2

Police at One Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$127,488.00) per year; seconded by Councilwoman Kent and approved with a 3-0 vote by the Council.

Mayor Tedford administered the Official Oath to Ronald Wenger.

Public Comments

Mayor Tedford inquired if there were any public comments. 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 9:21 a.m.

Mayor Ken Tedford

Attest:

Sean C. Richardson, City Clerk-Treasurer