



Ferron City Council Meeting Minutes  
December 17, 2025, 6:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers – Ferron City Hall  
20 East Main Street, Ferron Utah  
Phone - (435) 384-2350 Web - ferroncity.org

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, WELCOME & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
Mayor Trent Jackson called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. Council Member Ray Petersen led the pledge of allegiance.

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

2. MOTION TO LEAVE FERRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND ENTER PUBLIC HEARING  
**Motion from Council Member Petersen and seconded by Council Member Morgan to leave a regular Council Meeting and enter public hearing.**

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.

*PUBLIC HEARING THE PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC WITH RESPECT TO INCREASE CULINARY WATER, SECONDARY WATER AND SEWER RATES AND FEES. THE PROPOSED INCREASE WILL AFFECT ALL CUSTOMERS SERVED INSIDE FERRON CITY BOUNDARIES. THE PROPOSED INCREASE WILL ALSO AFFECT ALL CUSTOMERS SERVED OUTSIDE OF FERRON CITY BOUNDARIES, COUNTY CONNECTIONS.*

Mayor explained that the Castle Valley Special Service District will be raising their rates. They will be raising their rates over the next 5 years. Ferron City will be adjusting the rate to the citizens according. January 2026 is when the rates will increase. The rate will increase .80 and the city will add a .25 administration fee. Currently the water fee is \$17.25 and with January billing it will be \$18.30. CVSSD will invoice the city, we pay them and they pay the state. This increase is going to happen every 5 years because the state will be increasing that amount. Ferron City has put together a fee schedule for the next 5 years so that we don't need to have a public hearing every year. Ferron City has a .25 cent increase for 2026 and 2029 for administrative costs. CVSSD increases .80 2026 and then .40 every consecutive year. The culinary rate is still 10,000 gallons. (Mayor Jackson read the chart to the public in attendance.) It was explained that the secondary and sewer rates were also increasing. The Mayor once again advised that the increase from CVSSD was then going to the State, the Division of Water Quality. Ferron City was increasing the utilities with an additional administrative fee.

Connection fees are also going up. The culinary is going from \$1750 to \$2200 for a 3/4" culinary. 4" Sewer is going from \$1350 to \$1725. Secondary is going from \$2950 to \$3000. The Mayor went on to state that with the increase we are more in line with what Castle Dale is charging. CVSSD has added a 6" sewer line charge.

The Mayor asked if there were any questions from the Public. The Mayor advised that Ferron City had chosen to do the increase for the 5 years to match the CVSSD increase so that we would not have to have a public hearing every month.

3. MOTION TO LEAVE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ENTER BACK INTO THE FERRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Council Member Petersen motioned to close the public hearing and enter back into the 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.			

4. OPENING OF THE BIDS FOR THE FOR THE FERRON CITY AGRICULTURAL CENTER

Mayor Jackson proceeded with the opening of the bids for the Ferron City Agricultural Center. Checking for acknowledged addendums/allowances and bid bonds. The following is the order the bids were opened with amount.

Chet Allred	Allred Irrigation	\$271,960.42
Ben Taney	TSJ Construction	\$4,369,760.73
Shane Martin	Hadfield Construction	\$4,296,800.00
Johnny Shepherd	Warner Construction	\$4,618,400.00
Everett Hinkley	Rod Lewis Construction	\$4,316,777.00
Brian Evenson	Wasatch West	\$4,542,220.00
Ryan Rees	Howard & Rees	\$4,691,891.00
Rob Allred	PRT Builders	\$4,248,400.00
Levi Hardy	BHI	\$4,333,032.00
Paige Harker	JLR Contractors	\$5,292,870.00
Duane Christensen	Bailey Builders	\$4,023,042.23
Nate Robinson	Tushar Construction	\$3,754,400.00
Victor Lesanu	Cal Wadsworth	\$4,812,894.00
Spencer Peek	Stout Building	\$4,201,422.00
Austin Mickles	Valley Design & Const	\$4,372,937.00

The differences between the bids were discussed. Specifications of the bid being clear on the website. Possibly having a meeting on Monday to award the bid once Wyatt with Jones and DeMille clarifies with the bidders some details. Council Member Morgan did state that the building was designed in sections so if there was a situation the finishing could be done in sections. That is why it was designed the way it was. The apparent low bid is Tushar, then Stout and 3<sup>rd</sup> PRT.

The Mayor excused the contractors if they wanted to leave at this time.

At 8:30 p.m. Wyatt with Jones and DeMille asked to address the Council. He had just gotten off the phone with Nate Robinson who is with Tushar Contracting and he feels very confident in his bid. I had sent him an email asking him to address the door and also the structural field. He states that he feels confident about his bid. They have a gap in their schedule. Wyatt says that they have worked with them before and haven't had any problems. The doors he had a quote for around \$67,000. That number is well under the \$448,000 difference and it will leave, contingency room in the budget.

Council Member Morgan made a motion to accept the bid from Tushar Contracting in the amount of \$3,754,400 plus the cost of the doors. Council Member 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	_____	_____
Motion carried.			

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. MINUTES DATED OCTOBER 8, 2025
- b. MINUTES DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2025

**Motion made by Council Member Morgan to accept the items on the consent agenda and seconded by Council Member Petersen.**

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.

6. GENERAL BUS./DISCUSSION ITEMS / ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a. REPORT FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT – RANDY KENNEY

Fire Chief advised the Council about upcoming training. The burn index has shut down being able to do burns within the city.

- b. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY LTR OF INTENT MEGAN ERVIN FOR YOUTH CITY COUNCIL LEADER

Megan Ervin has put in a letter of intent to become Ferron City's Youth Council Advisor. She would love the opportunity to work with the youth of Ferron City. Mayor Jackson stated that Council Member Brown is currently over the Youth Council. There has been a trade proposal. Council Member Brown would give up Youth Council to Council Member Singleton. What would Singleton like to give to Brown. Animal Control. Council Member Brown was the one that asked for the trade per Mayor Jackson. Council Member Singleton is willing to work with Megan and thinks that it would be a great opportunity.

**Motion made by Council Member Singleton to approve and accept Megan Ervin as the new Ferron City Youth Advisor. Motion seconded by Council Member Morgan.**

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.

Before moving onto the next item, Mayor Jackson advised the Council that Business Licenses would no longer be going through Planning and Zoning. The business license will need to be signed off by the Planning and Zoning Chair to make sure that they are in the correct zone for the business they are applying for and that is it. Once that has happened then it is the Council's job to approve those business licenses. Barb is going to be the business license administrator. The business license administrator has quite a bit of say in what happens with the business licenses. They will be able to deny or approve. They can revoke or suspend. Mayor Jackson went on to say that he had been working with Barb on the business license procedures and there has been some things that needed to be straightened out and clarified.

- c. PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS; BUSINESS LICENSES & ZONING CLEARANCES – BUSINESS LICENSES

1. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY APPROVAL OF KRITTER KLIPS

**Council Member Ray Petersen made a motion to approve the business license for Kritter Klips and Council Member Laramie Morgan 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.

d. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY BUSINESS LICENSE FEES FOR 2026

Mayor Jackson went over the new business fees. The Home Occupational law etc. The simplifying of the business license fees so that there weren't different fees for similar businesses.

**Council Member Laramie Morgan motioned to approve the Business License Fees for 2026. 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	_____	_____

Motion carried.

e. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY PURCHASE OF 66" BRUSHCAT – Ray Petersen

Council Member Petersen advised that the Brush cat is made by Bobcat. It would be local. With the research that has been done it appears to be the best for the price. It comes with a warranty and they will deliver. Kasey Morris told the Council it would be used to clear the weeds on the side of the roads.

**Council Member Petersen motioned to approve the purchase of the 66" Brushcat. Council Member Morgan 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.

Mayor Jackson asked the Council if they were comfortable reviewing these policies now that they had them for a bit. He asked if they had all their questions answered. Mayor Jackson advised the Council that once we approve the following policies, she would like to have them forwarded to her for review. I will make the final decision on what policies we send to her to review.

Mayor asked if they would like to have all the policies approved at once or individually. Council Member Petersen stated that he was good with all of them except one. non-discrimination and harassment policy, and it has to do with terminology that we found just 3 times in there, but it's, gender identity. Council Member Petersen asked Tim Johnson with Blue Ivy to define gender identity? Tim's response: Gender identity is a person's perspective, or opinion, or view, or their understanding of their Maleness or femaleness, or some non-binary choice. Council Member Petersen continued, What concerns me is, that, The decision to be a man or a woman is not... Has no basis in science, or in culture and theology. It's not a decision by a person to decide to be this gender or that. Gender is what it was recorded at birth. I find it problematic, it could be problematic down the road, and it already is in some instances. But more important than that, is that it goes against creation order. The Bible says, in the first chapter, in the first book that God created, Mankind, in its own image, male and female. That cannot be disregarded.

Mayor Jackson asked Council Member Petersen if he would be okay to vote on the bulk of them and leave that one out for a separate vote?

Council Member Morgan then stated that it was our responsibility to decide if we were going to hire anybody like that. We won't have anything like that in the workplace anyway.

The Council was reminded that we just cannot discriminate based on that.

Council Member Morgan went on to state that if someone identifies as a "furby" or a cat they cannot do the job. If they are walking around meowing at everybody that is a genuine concern.

Council Member Petersen went on to say that he wouldn't fire somebody because they are transgender, because he does not recognize that they are transgender. He recognizes their birth gender. He would treat them like anybody else. Council Member Petersen is concerned about future employees here at Ferron City and what this policy could cause them. He feels personally that the term "gender identity" could be

removed.

Tim Johnson stated that the policy was not trying to legislate what anybody thinks or what anybody believes. We're not trying to put our opinions on anybody else. This policy just strictly aligns with federal law.

- f. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY CHANGES TO EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: TIMEKEEPING POLICY – Tabled from last month
- g. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY - VOLUNTEER PROGRAM POLICY – Tabled from last month
- h. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY – NONDISCRIMINATION AND ANTIHARASSMENT POLICY
- i. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY - USE OF AI FOR CITY BUSINESS AND/OR WHEN USING CITY RESOURCES.
- j. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY
- k. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY
- l. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY NEPOTISM POLICY
- m. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY POLITICS IN THE WORKPLACE POLICY

Council Member Morgan motioned to approve the Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy.

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.

**Motion from Council Member Morgan to approve item 6F, G, I, J, K, L, M Agenda Items. A second from Council Member Petersen.**

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. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY CITY HALL 2026 HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Council Member Ray Petersen motioned to approve the 2026 Holiday Closures. Second, by Council Member Laramie Morgan.

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.

- o. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY FERRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE 2026

Council Member Singleton motioned to approve the Ferron City Council Meeting, moving the meeting in September to the 16<sup>th</sup> to accommodate Peach Days. Council Member Morgan second 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.

p. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY FERRON CITY PZ MEETING SCHEDULE 2026  
**Council Member Petersen motioned to approve the PZ Meeting Schedule for 2026. Second by Council Member Singleton.**

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.

## 7. ORDINANCES

a. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY ORDINANCE 2025-5 AN ORDINANCE TO INITIATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FERRON CITY DATA PRIVACY PROGRAM

Mayor explained that this is a requirement of the State. We have Data Privacy Program which includes that we handle information securely. Data retention and we dispose of information properly. Mayor filled out all necessary information for the State and submitted it. Barb has more training to do, and we need to update our forms that we collect information with our data privacy information.

**Council Member Laramie Morgan motioned to accept ordinance 2025-5 to initiate and establish the Current City Data Privacy Program. Council Member 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	_____	_____

Motion carried.

## 8. RESOLUTIONS

a. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY RESOLUTION 2025-10 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CULINARY WATER, SECONDARY WATER AND SEWER MONTHLY RATES AND CONNECTION FEES. These increases will affect residents inside and outside of city boundaries.

**Council Member Morgan motioned to approve Resolution 2025-10 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CULINARY WATER, SECONDARY WATER AND SEWER MONTHLY RATES AND CONNECTION FEES. These increases will affect residents inside and outside of city boundaries. 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.

b. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY RESOLUTION 2025-11 A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FEES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

**Council Member Morgan motioned to approve RESOLUTION 2025-11 A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE THE BUSINESS LICENSE FEES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026. Council Member 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	_____	_____

Motion carried.

9. DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER LARAMIE MORGAN.  
**Council Member Singleton motioned to accept the resignation of Council Member Laramie Morgan.**  
**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	_____	_____

Motion carried.

Vacancy will be posted right away. Position to be filled at January's meeting.

10. REPORTS

a. BUDGET

Mayor stated that we will be making some changes to the budget. Perhaps a Capital Account.  
 Council Member Ray Petersen stated that they received a big order of signs and posts and that we will have inventory.

b. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

MAYOR TRENT JACKSON

COUNCIL MEMBER VANCE BROWN

COUNCIL MEMBER RAY PETERSEN Looking forward to getting the new weed mower.  
 Both maintenance personnel are working on getting their spraying license. Hopefully we can get an early start this year and keep them under control. Kasey Edgehouse is on his way home and will be here next month to give a report. Kyler has been working up at the course. Still working with the BLM on the sale of the property.

COUNCIL MEMBER GERRY STOTLER

COUNCIL MEMBER LARAMIE MORGAN - Nothing

COUNCIL MEMBER KELLEE SINGLETON – Glad that Vance will be taking animal control.

c. GOLF COURSE AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS AND WORK

ORDER REVIEW

KASEY EDGEHOUSE

KASEY MORRIS

Mayor stated he has been receiving complaints about the weed clean up on 400 West and along Canyon Road. The Banners and lights on the power poles are not staying with the wind. We may need to look at something different.

Kasey Morris requested that Conner be taken off probation.

11. CLOSED SESSION

N/A

12. FINANCIAL REVIEW

No Questions

13. APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF WARRANTS

**Council Member Petersen motioned to pay the bills. Council Member Morgan 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.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Morgan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Petersen seconded.

Roll Call

Councilmember Kellee Singleton  
Councilmember Laramie Morgan  
Councilmember Vance Brown  
Councilmember Gerry Stotler  
Councilmember Ray Petersen

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Aye

X

Nay

Absent

X

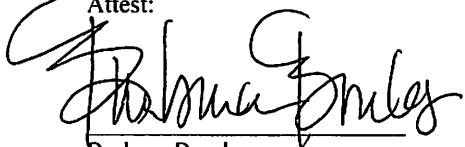
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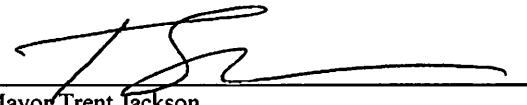
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Attest:



Barbara Bowles  
Ferron City Recorder



Mayor Trent Jackson

