Twin Falls City Council
Minutes

Monday, December 3, 2018,

5:00 PM City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue
East Twin Falls,
Idaho

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Present:	Mayor Shawn Barigar, Vice Mayor Nikki Boyd, Council Members Suzanne Hawkins, Chris Talkington, Greg Lanting, Christopher Ried
Absent:	Council Member Ruth Pierce
Staff Present:	City Manager Travis Rothweiler, Deputy City Managers Mitch Humble & Brian Pike, City Attorney Shayne Nope, Fire Chief Les Kenworthy, Grant & Community Relations Manager Mandi Thompson, City Engineer Erin Steel, Communications Director Tami Lauda, Human Resource Director Gretchen Scott, Assistant City Engineer Troy Vitek, Public Information Officer Joshua Palmer, Desk Top Support Specialist Jeremiah Parent, Finance Administrative Assistant Amy Luna.

2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Barigar invited all present, who wished, to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3) PROCLAMATIONS

a) 2018 VETERANS SUICIDE AWARENESS MONTH – Hayley Rienstra, Twin Falls County Veteran Service Officer.

Mayor Barigar read and presented the 2018 VETERANS SUICIDE AWARENESS MONTH proclamation to Bob Smith, Twin Falls County Veteran Service Officer & Don Hall, Twin Falls County Commissioner.

4) GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

5) CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Vice Mayor Boyd moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Council Member Talkington seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

a) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the Accounts Payable for November 15 Thru 28, 2018.

b) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve the November 19, 2018 City Council Minutes.

c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the November 26, 2018 City Council Minutes.

d) **ACTION ITEM**: Request to approve Alcohol License for A Taste of Thai.

e) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve a Trust Agreement for Golden Eagle Subdivision No. 1, placing Lots 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in trust.

f) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to accept the Improvement Agreement for the purpose of developing Golden Eagle Subdivision No. 1.

6) ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

a) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to authorize the Mayor to sign the program agreement form for the Children Pedestrian Safety Program: 2019 Application.

City Engineer 1 Erin Steel made a request to authorize the Mayor to sign the program agreement form for the Children Pedestrian Safety Program: 2019 Application. Grant amount $248,500.00.

Discussion ensued on the following:
City Engineer Steel: Presented the request and requested ideas on who might write letters of support to accompany the application.
Council Member Lanting: Presidents of the PTO's may be willing to write the letter.
Council Member Hawkins: Recommended the LDS Stake House that is in the impact area.
What is the difference between the two colors on the map?
Council Member Talkington: Asked about the split of the funds? What are the cost for the City?

MOTION: Council Member Talkington moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the program agreement form for the Children Pedestrian Safety Program: 2019 Application. Council Member Lanting seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

b) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the contract between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls Rural Fire District from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2021.

Fire Chief Kenworthy made a request to approve the contract between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls Rural Fire District for October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2021. Contract amount is $504,795.00.

MOTION: Council Member Hawkins moved to approve the contract between the City of Twin Falls and the Twin Falls Rural Fire District for October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2021. Council Member Reid seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

c) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve the use of contingency funds in the amount of $7,653.50. The funds would be used to partner with Twin Falls County, Jerome County, to hire an EMS consultant firm to evaluate opportunities for regional cooperation, to include consideration of EMS system design and operational changes.

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St. Luke's Director EMS Director Blaine Patterson: Discussed the RFP Specifics.
St. Luke's EMS Medical Director Dr. Crail: Discussed the need for lowering EMS & Medical Costs.

Discussion ensued on the following:
Council Member Hawkins: Is in support of this idea. However, has a question about the taxing as the city residents are already taxed by the county?
Council Member Talkington: Is in support of this idea. Concerned with what the consultant will recommend and hope that they know the complexity of our community needs.

MOTION: Council Member Talkington moved to approve the use of contingency funds in the amount of $7,653.50 to partner with Twin Falls County & Jerome County, to hire an EMS consultant firm to evaluate opportunities for regional cooperation, to include consideration of EMS system design an operational changes. Council Member Lanting seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

d) **ACTION ITEM:** Request to approve changes to the Municipal Powers Outsource Grant (MPOG) Process.

Grant & Community Relations Manager Mandi Thompson made a request to approve changes to the Municipal Powers Outsource Grant (MPOG) process.

Discussion ensued on the following:

Council Member Hawkins: Explained why she believes this is "Not the program that the City should be involved in". Spoke against this program.

Council Member Talkington: Spoke in favor of keeping this program.

Council Member Lanting: Spoke in favor of keeping this program.

Council Member Reid: Spoke in favor of keeping this program.

Council Member Hawkins: City is already stepping up to the needs of the City. And is still against this process

City Manager Rothweiler: Spoke on how the process works.

Vice Mayor Boyd: City spends a lot of time on this process, likes the scoring metrics. Not for the IMPOG process as it stands but is willing to give it one more try using the suggestions that Mandi has made.

Council Member Talkington: Talked about the lack of creditable feedback as to how the funds are used by the recipients.

Mayor Barigar: Talked about this process and how it should go forward. Is also willing to try the new process. Would like to see further changes be made in the future.

Vice Mayor Boyd: Asked if a $10,000.00 amount is a legitimate cap?

MOTION: Council Member Talkington moved to approve changes to the Municipal Powers Outsource Grant (MPOG) process as presented. Council Member Lanting seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted. Motion failed 3 to 3.

Council Member Lanting: Asked if this new process failed does that mean that we use the previous process to distribute the MPOG funds this year?

Council Member Hawkins: Asked if the funds would just go back into the general funds?

City Manager Rothweiler: Explained that these funds do not have to be spent and the funds can be re-appropriated to other funds. However if you go forward the previous process would be used.

City Attorney Nope: Explained the way to go forward and reconsider this original motion.

Council Member Reid: Do we have a process, should we vote no, which would allow services to come to the City and ask for help?

MOTION: Chris Talkington moved to reconsider the previous motion. Greg Lanting seconded the motion.

Further discussion ensued on the following:

City Attorney Nope: Explained that they can either vote on the motion to reconsider or, they can make a motion to amend the original request. If the amendment passes then it would become a part of the original motion and the Council can then vote on the amended motion.

Council Member Hawkins: Clarified the choices as follows: 1. Do it as we always have, 2. Do it the new way, 3. But to not do it at all, is not on the table at this time and will need to be re-visited at a later time.

Vice Mayor Boyd: Would like to see that all the choices be made tonight rather than having another meeting to discuss this again.

Council Member Reid: Agreed that this needs to be voted on tonight and the proposal is much better than before.

Mayor Barigar: Can support the new process as long as this topic is added to the agenda in the near future to discuss continuing to have the MPOG in the future.
Council Member Hawkins: Agreed to the support of this process and re-visiting the whole program in the future.

MOTION: Council Member Reid moved to make an amendment to the original motion by adding a cap of $10,000 per applicant. Council Member Lanting seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted. 6 to 0.

Council Member Lanting: Thanked Mandi for her hard work and thinks that the Council needs to give it a try. Community needs to have adequate notice should we decide not to do this in the future.

Roll call vote on the original motion with approved amendment, showed all members present voted in favor of the motion. 6 to 0.

7) GENERAL INPUT/ADVISORY BOARD REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

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