

The Forsyth Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Monday August 15, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Forsyth Municipal Building with the following present:

Mayor Eddie Coleman  
Jack Baker  
Brian Anton  
Clint Hilliard  
Cheryl Altis

City Clerk Cheyenne Beasley, Finance Officer Angela Leist, Chris Robertson, Bill McCullah, Nathan Bower,, Roger Ellis, Travis Heier, Jason Jensen, Jann Clark, Cliff Sain ,and Jeff Jordan.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Jeff Jordan with the Forsyth Christian Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### TAX LEVY HEARING

Mayor Eddie Coleman opened the Tax Levy Hearing and explained to those present the tax levy rate is .5383. No comment from those present.

#### SET TAX LEVY .5383 – RESOLUTION 8-15-16

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Brian Anton it was approved to pass Resolution 8-15-16 establishing the tax levy at .5383 for the 2016 tax year with a roll call of Jack Baker, aye, Brian Anton, aye, Clint Hilliard, aye, and Cheryl Altis, aye.

#### MO SUN SOLAR

Mayor Eddie Coleman explained that Mr. Franklin was unable to attend the meeting.

#### FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 500 – BURNING REGULATIONS

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Clint Hilliard bill number 500 was placed on its first reading by title only. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Read by title only and approved on a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Clint Hilliard with all members present voting aye.

Second and final reading at the next meeting on September 19, 2016.

#### FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 501 – WEED REGULATIONS

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard bill number 501 was placed on its first reading by title only. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Cheryl Altis it was approved to table this item and discuss changes that need to be made to the entire weed ordinance at the September meeting. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### NUISANCE ENFORCEMENT DISCUSSION

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained that the current ordinance concerning weeds states that the City Inspector is responsible for sending out letters concerning residents with weed control issues. Would like to have Fire Chief added to section to authorize Fire Chief to send out letters on weed control.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Cheryl Altis it was approved to have Fire Chief added to section 220.015.3 Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### BACKHOE DISCUSSION

Chris Robertson explained that received two bids for a backhoe. A John Deere from Murphy Tractor and Equipment for \$88,750.00 and a CAT backhoe for \$103,995.00. The backhoe will be purchased by a lease purchase program with Arvest Bank. Monthly payments will be \$1,500.00. The first payment to be \$3,000.00.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to accept the bid from Murphy Tractor and Equipment and purchase a John Deere backhoe in the amount of \$88,750.00

#### BUDGET ADJUSTMENT 2016

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Brian Anton the budget adjustments for 2016 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### ADOPT 2017 BUDGET

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard the 2017 budget was approved as presented. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### LOOKOUT ACRES PAYMENT - \$10,000

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Brian Anton the Lookout Acres payment for \$10,000 was approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### PAY REQUEST IRVINBILT CONSTRUCTORS INC – TREATMENT PLANT

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Brian Anton it was approved to pay the pay request from Irvinbilt Constructors Inc. for \$57,482.41. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### PAY REQUEST HDR ENGINEERING – TREATMENT PLANT

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to pay the pay request from HDR Engineering for \$1,935.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### CHANGE ORDER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to accept the change order from HDR Engineering on the treatment plant project in the amount of \$460.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The change order was for the electric work for the existing flow meter to work together with the new flow meter.

## CHECKING ACCOUNT – FEMA FUNDS

Finance Officer Angela Leist explained that a non-interest bearing checking account was opened at Southern Bank for the funds received from FEMA to comply with FEMA requirements for the flood damage projects at the park and trail area.

## MINUTES – JULY 18, 2016

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Jack Baker the minutes of the July 18, 2016 meeting was approved as written. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## BILLS FOR APPROVAL

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard the bills for July 21, 2016 for \$2,259.00, July 28, 2016 for \$14,917.07, August 4, 2016 for \$56,777.89, and August 11, 2016 for \$27,709.74 were approved for payment. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF JULY 31, 2016

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded Brian Anton the financial statements as of July 31, 2016 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS FROM JULY 21, 2016 THRU AUGUST 11, 2016

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Jack Baker the transfers from July 21, 2016 thru August 11, 2016 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER AGREEMENT

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard the school resource officer agreement between Forsyth School and the City of Forsyth was approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## DISCUSS SPEED LIMIT IN TOWN

The Mayor explained that he has had request that the speed limit be lowered in town to 30 mile per hour. Police Chief Roger Ellis to have information on traffic observations and traffic counts for the next meeting for discussion.

## APPROVE GRANT FROM FEMA – 4238 – DR – MO FOR PARK

On a Motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Cheryl Altis it was agreed to accept the grant for FEMA for the project – 4238 – DR – MO. and approve the Mayor to sign the documents. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## ISO UPDATE

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained that ISO has made some changes to how they determine the ratings. The City of Forsyth is a class 4 at this time. The next evaluation will be in the fall.

## DISCUSS OLD FIRE TRUCK 1 – OPTIONS TO SELL

Fire chief Nathan Bower presented the board with several options available to sell the current ladder truck. Will be getting the new truck soon and will start preparing it for service.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to use Purple Wave Auction Service to sell the current ladder truck. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### BRIDGE DISCUSSION

On July 22, 2016 Jack Baker and Chris Robertson met with Mary Slaughter and Kristi Bachman with MODOT concerning the new bridge.

Campground 2 will need to be closed during the project and MODOT will compensate the City for camping fees lost during that time. Will need to have a temporary dump station while the campground is closed.

MODOT estimates the cost of the bridge project to be 7 million dollars.

Travis Hieir with HDR explained that Taney County is in the process of working out a cost sharing agreement with MODOT on a roundabout.

#### RESOLUTION 8-16-16

Finance Officer Angela Leist explained that this resolution is required by the credit card company to cancel the current city credit cards since we have started the purchase card program.

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to accept resolution 8-16-16. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### PARK BOARD UPDATE

Brian Anton explained that have three teams signed up for fall softball. Explained that Jack Harrison would like permission from the Board of Alderman to speak with the Taney County Park Board about getting some help with labor and sharing cost of work at the park.

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Jack Baker it was approved to have Jack Harrison talk with the Taney County Park Board about help with labor and sharing cost of work at the park. Motion carried with the following votes: Cheryl Altis, aye, Jack Baker, aye, Brian Anton, aye, and Clint Hilliard, abstain.

Brian Anton presented the board with a current diagram for development of Shoals Bend Park.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to go ahead with the current plan as presented. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to appoint Greg Dougherty to the Forsyth Park Board. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### MISC BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Nothing at this time from the board members present.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Brian Anton the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.