

The Forsyth Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Monday July 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Forsyth Municipal Building with the following present:

Mayor Eddie Coleman
Jack Baker
Clint Hilliard
Cheryl Altis
Brian Anton

City Clerk Cheyenne Beasley, Tim Donovan, Edward Swenson, Wanda King, Asa King, Loretta Perin, Betty Cop, Dennis Sulgrove, Angela Sulgrove, Linda Baraclough, John Baraclough, Audie Erickson, Ron Erickson, Patty Patterson, George Shackelford, Pam Taylor, Angela Leist, Nathan Bower, Larry Smith, Scott Novak, Billy Murphy, Joann Watson, Bill Watson, Julie Ann Schanda, Lonnie Fletcher, Missi Hesketh, Barbara Graham, D Campbell, Dennis Sulgrove, Angela Sulgrove, Mike Wyatt, Joyce Barton, Jann Clark, Marian Wheeler, Carolyn Donovan, Tim Donovan, Marietta Williams, John Souttee, Bonita Kisse, Ron Frostman, Joy Frostman, Inez Anderson, Craig Smith, Holly Smith, and David Holvick, Chris Robertson, Bill McCullah, Roger Ellis, and Cliff Sain.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by David Holvick followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

QUARRY DISCUSSION

Chris Robertson explained that he was contacted by the contractor for the bridge project about possible areas to be used to remove fill for the bridge project. One area is located in the Skyline Hills area. There are several citizens present concerned about this.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Cheryl Altis it was agreed to deny any quarry to be allowed in this area due to safety reasons. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

AC/HEAT UNIT BIDS FOR CONCESSION STAND/BATHROOM SHOALS BEND PARK

Chris Robertson explained that he received three bids for the ac/heat unit for the concession stand/bathroom for Shoals Bend Park. Ayers Heating & Cooling for \$4,760.00, Industrial Air for \$6,050.00, and Goff for \$5,470.00. On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to accept the bid from Ayers Heating & Cooling for \$4,760.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 507 – MOBILE FOOD SERVICE REGULATIONS

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Clint Hilliard Bill Number 507 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 Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard. Motion carried with all members present voting aye. Second and final reading to be on the August agenda.

DISCUSS BUDGET

Finance Officer Angela Leist presented the board with a draft budget. On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Brian Anton the draft budget was approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye. Will have final budget on the next agenda in August.

LOOKOUT ACRES PAYMENT

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Jack Baker it was approved to pay the Lookout Acres payment for \$10,000.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

CONSERVATION MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained that this is an annual renewal of the Conservation Mutual Aid agreement and there have been no changes made to the agreement. On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to accept the conservation mutual aid agreement and authorize Nathan Bower to sign the agreement. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

NATHAN VACATION – APPROVAL FOR COVERAGE OF HOURS

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was agreed to have the Assistant Chief and the Lieutenant cover Chief Bower while on vacation. To be paid thru pay per call as available standby.

FEMA – APPROVAL TO SIGN APPLICATION

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Cheryl Altis it was approved to authorize Mayor Eddie Coleman, Finance Officer Angela Leist, and Fire Chief Nathan Bower to sign the FEMA application. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

REPAIRS FIRE TRUCK 1

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained that fire truck 1 is in need of repairs to the hydraulic over electric valves. The valve system needs to be upgraded. To be on the next agenda in August. To have bids for the work that needs to be done to upgrade the system.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPPORT MEMBER

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Brian Anton it was approved to accept the resignation for John Carnahan a support member for the fire department. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained that this is a plan that the County and other municipalities and working on together. This plan is for the needs of the city in the future such as storm shelters and water retention.

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Brian Anton it was approved to give Chief Nathan Bower permission to move forward and complete the application needed for the plan. Motion carried with all member present voting aye.

DISCUSS ANNEXATION – SENIOR CENTER BOARD

The City received a letter from the Senior Center Board that stated that they have been in contact with Attorney Bill McCullah and asked him to hold off on the annexation process and to not proceed with any paper work until further notice.

DENTAL INSURANCE RENEWAL

Finance Officer Angela Leist explained that the city has had the same company for many years and they company has changed the plan structure. The cost has decreased slightly.

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard it was approved to pay the renewal for the dental insurance with Principal. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

MINUTES – JUNE 19, 2017

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Jack Baker the minutes of the June 19, 2017 meeting were 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 June 2, 2017 for \$81,861.31, June 29, 2017 for \$4,109.08, July 6, 2017 for \$33,431.28, and July 13, 2017 for \$28,109.01 were approved for payment. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2017

On a motion by Clint Hilliard and seconded by Jack Baker the financial statements as of June 30, 2017 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS FROM JUNE 22, 2017 THRU JULY 13, 2017

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard the transfers from June 22, 2017 thru July 13, 2017 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

PARK BOARD UPDATE

No update at this time.

On a motion by Cheryl Altis and seconded by Clint Hilliard the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. motion carried with all members present voting aye.