

The Forsyth Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Monday January 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Eddie Coleman  
Brian Anton  
Jack Baker  
Greg Dougherty  
Cheryl Altis, absent

City Clerk Cheyenne Beasley, Angela Leist, Tim Church, Caleb Grabowski, Roger Ellis, Nathan Bower, Todd Goffoy, Charyl Nida, Sherrie Veltkamp, Lynn Cronboy, and Daniel Meinsen.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Daniel Meinsen followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### FIRST AND SECOND READING OF BILL NUMBER 518 - CONTINUING THE EXISTING CITY SALES TAX FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

On motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Brian Anton bill number 518 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 Greg Dougherty with all members present voting aye.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Greg Dougherty bill number 518 was placed on its second and final 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 Greg Dougherty and adopted as Ordinance number 518 with a roll vote of Jack Baker, aye, Brian Anton, aye, Greg Dougherty, aye, and Cheryl Altis, absent.

#### FORSYTH CHAMBER OF – EVENT DATES AND STREET CLOSURES

Charyl Nida with the Chamber of Commerce explained that they have two events scheduled for 2019. Harvest Moon event and car show scheduled for October 5, 2019 with a rain date of October 12, 2019 and the Christmas parade scheduled for December 14, 2019 with a rain date of December 15, 2019. Would also request road closures for these events. The roads would be closed in the same areas as last year's events.

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Jack Baker these dates and road closures were approved as requested. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

#### FIRE FIGHTER APPROVAL – CALEB GRABOWSKI AND LACEY HELMS

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Greg Dougherty it was approved to accept Caleb Grabowski and Lacey Helms as members of the Forsyth Fire Department. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## RADAR UNITS

Police Chief Roger Ellis has been doing research on mobile radar units. Would like to purchase a unit from Stalker Rader for \$7,451.00 plus the cost for an extra battery. This unit can be moved around town to different locations. Will need to purchase a hitch to be able to move the radar unit. Chief Ellis would also like to repair the radar speed trailer we have so it can be used.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Greg Dougherty it was approved to purchase the Stalker Rader unit for \$7,451.00 plus cost of extra battery, hitch, and repair the old radar units cost not to exceed \$9,500.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## DISCUSS TOKIO MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Greg Dougherty it was approved to accept the recommendation from the insurance company and start obtaining motor vehicle records on new hires and annually on all employees. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Jack Baker the budget adjustment was approved as presented. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## SALARY INCREASE UTILITY CLERK AND SALARY INCREASE DISCUSSION PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE

Jack Baker explained that utility clerk Carla Combs has been with the City for almost six months and is doing a good job. A wage increase is usually implemented after being six months. Also, would like to start program for public works employees for a wage increase if they receive a CDL license or complete certifications in their field.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Brian Anton it was approved to give utility clerk Carla Combs a wage increase of fifty cents per hour and fifty cents an hour increase when a public works employee receives a CDL license or water/sewer license. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## MINUTES – DECEMBER 17, 2018

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Greg Dougherty the minutes of the December 17, 2018 meeting were approved as written. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## BILLS FOR APPROVAL

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Greg Dougherty the bills for December 20, 2018 for \$18,893.39, December 27, 2018 for \$3,202.49, January 3, 2019 for \$23,368.88, and January 10, 2019 for \$41,652.05 were approved for payment. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Brian Anton the financial statements as of December 31, 2018 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS FROM DECEMBER 20, 2018 THRU JANUARY 10, 2019

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Greg Dougherty the transfers from December 20, 2018 thru January 10, 2019 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

## PARK BOARD UPDATE

Greg Dougherty explained that the Park Board has been discussing Shoals Bend Park and making a list of ideas for future development in the park. Will have a draft plan for review at the next meeting.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Brian Anton the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. and it was agreed to go into closed session under authority section 610.021.03 Personnel with a roll vote of Jack Baker, aye, Brian Anton, aye, Greg Dougherty, aye, and Cheryl Altis, absent.

## CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Brian Anton it was approved to hire Robert Sanderson as a Forsyth Police Officer with the following conditions:

To be on the FTO program for three months and on a probation period for one year with a starting wage of \$12.00 per hour and an increase to \$13.00 per hour after the FTO program is complete. Roll vote of Greg Dougherty, aye, Brian Anton, aye, Jack Baker, aye, and Cheryl Altis, absent.

On a motion by Brian Anton and seconded by Jack Baker it was agreed to return to open session at 7:05 p.m. with a roll vote of Brian Anton, aye, Greg Dougherty, aye, Jack Baker, aye, and Cheryl Altis, absent.

On a motion by Jack Baker and seconded by Greg Dougherty the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m. motion carried with all members present voting aye.