

The Forsyth Board of Aldermen met in regular session on November 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Kelly Dougherty
Dennis Winzenried
Missi Hesketh
Dustin Krob
Scott Novak via Microsoft Teams

Cheyenne Beasley, Angela Leist, Nathan Bower, Tim Crawley, Lisa Crawley, AJ Meakins, Steve Marler, Julie AuBushon, David Veldman, Nicole Maez, Joe Sweeney-Legore, Courtney Sweeney-Legore, Michelle Rackely, Christina Algya, Carter Algya, Paul Algya, Kendra Chaney, Mathew Brock, Jessica Brock, Steve Huggins, David Prothero, Julie Boston, Eric Boston, Viola Beyer, and Brannon Tew.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Dennis Winzenried followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH STEVE HUGGINS

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Missi Hesketh it was agreed accept the consulting contract with Steve Huggins for consulting work in the amount of \$20.00 per hour. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 552 – ORDINANCE FOR BALLOT SUBMISSION TO EXTEND THE FIRE PROTECTION TAX

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried bill number 552 was placed on its first reading by title only. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The reading was approved on a motion by Missi Hesketh and seconded by Dustin Krob. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Second and final reading at the next meeting in December.

ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS FROM OFFICERS JOE LAUGHTER, RANDY BEAUDIN, AND RONALD BEAUDIN

On a motion by Missi Hesketh and seconded by Scott Novak it was approved to accept the resignation from officers Joe Laughter, Randy Beaudin, and Ronald Beaudin. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE TO HIRE OFFICER

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Dennis Winzenried it was approved to hire Christina Algysa as a police officer for the City of Forsyth. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

DISCUSS PAY INCREASE FOR JACK GATES

The Mayor explained that Jack Gates has been doing great job for the police department with communication and administration. Would like to increase his wage to \$17.00 per hour.

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Missi Hesketh it was approved to increase the hourly wage for Jack Gates to \$17.00 per hour. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

DISCUSS USE TAX

The Mayor felt that now is not the time to put this issue on the ballot since the fire tax is on the ballot in April. Will put use tax on the ballot at a later date.

FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 553 - REGULATION AND FEES FOR SHOALS BEND PARK

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob bill number 553 was placed on its first reading by title only. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The reading was approved on a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Second and final reading at the next meeting in December.

FIRST READING OF BILL NUMBER 554 – INCREASE CAMPING FEES SHADOWROCK PARK

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Scott Novak bill number 554 was placed on its first reading by title only. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Dennis Winzenried's motion to accept the first reading died for a lack of a second. There was some discussion on the fee increases for camping at Shadowrock Park.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was agreed to table this issue until a later date. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

LOT SPLIT APPROVAL – LOT 13 FLAT TOP DR – SHOALS BEND SUBDIVISION

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob the lot split for lot 13 in Shoals Bend Subdivision was approved at presented. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE TO PURCHASE 50 SPOTS FOR ONLINE BILL PAY THRU GWORKS FOR \$300.00

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Dennis Winzenried it was approved to purchase 50 spots for online bill pay thru Gworks for \$300.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE TO PURCHASE LED LIGHTING FOR CITY HALL BUILDING

Received two bids for LED lighting for City Hall. Daystar Distributing for \$5,380.12 and Loyd's Electric for \$5,998.00. On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Dennis Winzenried it was approved to accept the bid from Loyd's Electric in the amount of \$5,998.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye. The board agreed to accept the bid from Loyd's Electric due to they are a local company and try to do business with local companies when possible.

Loyd's Electric did not carry some of the items needed. Will need to get some items from Daystar. The cost to not exceed the bid for \$5,998.00

APPROVE ANNUAL COMPUTER SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE THRU GWORKS FOR \$10,985.00

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to renew the annual computer software maintenance and license thru Gworks in the amount of \$10,985.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

DISCUSS DANGEROUS BUILDING OF SHADOWROCK LODGE

Missi Hesketh explained that this is an unsafe building that needs to be addressed. Would like to try and purchase the property and then the City maybe able to apply for grants to have the building removed.

The Fire Chief has sent a letter to the current owner but got no response. The board would like the Fire Chief to send another letter requesting the owner to come to the next board meeting to discuss the building. Missi to do more research on grants and other options for the next meeting.

TRAIL UPDATE

Missi Hesketh explained that they Rock Solid Trail Contracting is working on the plan for the trails and will have a plan for the board to review soon.

APPOINT ADA COORDINATOR

On a motion by Missi Hesketh and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to appoint Joe Sweeny – Legore as the ADA Coordinator for the City of Forsyth. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE TO APPLY FOR ARPA LSFRR – FIRE PROTECTION GRANT

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to apply for the ARPA LSFRR fire protection grant. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

MINUTES – OCTOBER 13, 2022 AND OCTOBER 26, 2022

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob the minutes for October 13, 2022 and the minutes of October 26, 2022 were approved as written. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak the bills for October 13, 2022 for \$25,463.93, October 20, 2022 for \$38,309.22, October 27, 2022 for \$8,483.44, November 3, 2022 for \$35,864.14, November 10, 2022 for \$32,768.09 and November 17, 2022 for \$12,470.68. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2022

On a motion by Missi Hesketh and seconded by Dustin Krob the financial statements as of October 31, 2022 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE TRANSFERS FROM OCTOBER 13, 2022 THRU NOVEMBER 17, 2022

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Scott Novak the transfers from October 13, 2022 thru November 17, 2022 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

CONFIRM MONTHLY AUDIT REPORTING SHEET WAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED

On a motion by Missi Hesketh and seconded by Dustin Krob it was confirmed that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen received and reviewed the monthly audit reporting sheet. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The Mayor explained that will be conducting interviews for the police chief position on Monday November 28, 2022, and also have an application for another officer that will be reviewing. Taney County Sheriff's office is covering calls for the City when needed.

On a motion by Missi Hesketh and seconded by Dustin Krob the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. motion carried with all members voting aye.