

The Forsyth Board of Aldermen met in regular session on April 15, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Missi Hesketh
Dennis Winzenried
Scott Novak
Dustin Krob
Shawn Mathenia

Pat Gray, Mandy Gray, Travys Saffle, Shane Keys, Betty McClamrock, Marcus McClamrock, Ryan Sanders, Cory Ross, Jason Flowers, Cheyenne Beasley, Mary Commings, Bob Mace Debi Mace, Collen Neill, John Grisham, Steve Rodman, Steve Marler, Walley Bauer, Cleo Moehl, Kathy Zuelu, David Veldman, Matt Bailey, Marilyn Atchley, Brian Atchley, Nathan Bower, Frank Diecidue, Buddy Roberts, Becky Roberts, Greg Gold, Sam Overturf, Joe Sweeney Legore, and Shane Naugher.

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

ACCEPT ELECTION RESULTS FROM THE TANEY COUNTY CLERK – SWEAR IN ELECTED OFFICIALS

On a motion by Scott Novak and seconded by Dennis Winzenried the election results from the Taney County Clerk were accepted. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The City Clerk swore in Shawn Mathenia as Alderman Ward I and Dustin Krob as Alderman Ward II.

QUILT CLUB – BETTY MCCLAMROCK – PRESENTATION FOR JASON FLOWERS

Betty McClamrock with the Forsyth quilt club presented officer Jason Flowers with a handmade quilt from the quilt club. This is to honor him and thank him for his dedication and service to the community.

APPOINT PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Scott Novak it was approved to have Dennis Winzenried to continue to serve as the President of the Board. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION

No comments from those present.

ASSIGN ALDERMEN TO DEPARTMENTS

The aldermen held a drawing for department assignments. The assignments were as follows:

Shawn Mathenia – Streets, water, and sewer
Dustin Krob – Police department
Dennis Winzenried – Parks department
Scott Novak – Fire department

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION TO THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY OF TANEY COUNTY

The Mayor presented a proclamation to the Junior Auxiliary of Taney County. The City would like to thank the Junior Auxiliary for all that they do for the community and proclaim April 7, 2024 through April 15, 2024 as Junior Auxiliary week.

LETTER FOR ELKS 45TH ANNIVERSARY

The Mayor presented the Elks with a proclamation for 45 years of service to the community.

APPROVE BIDS FOR BANKING DEPOSITORY SERVICES

Dennis Winzenried made a motion to approve the bid from First Community Bank for banking services. The motion died for a lack of a second.

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Shawn Mathenia it was approved to accept the bid from Branson Bank for banking depository services. With the following votes taken: Shawn Mathenia, aye, Dustin Krob, aye, Dennis Winzenried, nay, Scott Novak, nay, and Mayor Missi Hesketh, aye.

APPROVAL TO REMOVE ANGELA LEIST FROM THE BANK ACCOUNTS AND ADD MARY CUMMINGS

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Shawn Mathenia it was approved to remove Angela Leist from the bank accounts and add Mary Cummings to the bank accounts. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

SPECIAL EVENT – FIREWORKS APPROVAL – TRAVYS SAFFLE

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained that Travys Saffle would like to put on a fire works show on his property behind Country Mart. The fire chief explained that would need a licensed pyrotechnics person to set off the fireworks and insurance certificate.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak it was approved to allow Travys to have a fire works show on his property and to work with Fire Chief Nathan Bower on the parking and insurance is required for the event, and a licensed pyrotechnics person needed to set off the fire works, and follow the guidelines of the special event form. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

DISCUSS FIREWORKS BEING ALLOWED TO BE SOLD IN TOWN

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak it was approved to allow the sale of fireworks in town. This would be for tent type sales around the 4th of July and bulk sales for fireworks year round if someone wanted to sale out of a building to residents that do not live in Missouri. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

To have the City Attorney prepare and ordinance for first and second reading for the meeting on May 20, 2024.

FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICATION APPROVAL

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was to accept the application from Justin Layne and approve him as a firefighter for the Forsyth Fire Department. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

ISO UPDATE

Fire Chief Nathan Bower explained to the board that he has been working on the ISO rating for the City. He was able to keep the rating at the current rate of a 4. The board thanked the Chief and his department for all their hard work to keep the rating and maintaining it a level 4. This helps keep the home insurance rates down for the residents of Forsyth.

DISCUSS IT SERVICES & APPROVE BID AND DISCUSS SERVER REPLACEMENT

The Mayor explained that the city received two bids for IT services. Received two quotes from Pearson-Kelly Technology for \$900.00 per month for monitoring server, workstations, and networking, support would be \$150.00 per hour. Pearson-Kelly for support and EDR for servers, workstations and network \$1,670.00 per month, also received a bid from DaZZee IT services for a basic support package for a one year subscription for \$1,885.00.

The board would like to have some time to look over the bids. Will have a meeting on May 6, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss and approve a bid for IT services.

POLICE CHIEF UPDATE

Police Chief pat Gray informed the board that the city insurance does not have an employee assistance program. He would like the board to consider adding this to the insurance plan.

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by Dennis Winzenried it was approved to add the employee assistance program in the amount of \$1,200.00 per year. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

FIRST AND SECOND READING OF BILL NUMBER 567 WATER & SEWER RATE INCREASE

On a motion by Dennis and seconded by Scott Novak bill number 567 was placed on its first reading by title only. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The first reading was approved with a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Shawn Mathenia. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Shawn Mathenia bill number 567 was placed on its second 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 Shawn Mathenia and adopted as ordinance 567 with a roll call vote of Scott Novak, aye, Shawn Mathenia, aye, Dustin Krob, aye, and Dennis Winzenried, aye.

SECOND AND FINAL READING OF BILL NUMBER 569 – INCREASE CAMPING FEES SHADOWROCK PARK

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob bill number 569 was placed on its second 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 Shawn Mathenia and adopted as ordinance 569 with a roll call vote of Dustin Krob, aye, Dennis Winzenried, aye, Scott Novak, aye, and Shawn Mathenia, aye.

DISCUSS TRASH BULK PICKUP – YEARLY OR MONTHLY LARGE ITEM PICKUP

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to keep the one time a month large item pickup with Republic Services. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE VACATION FOR NEW EMPLOYEES AND ACCRUAL RATE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to amend the personnel policy under vacation on page 13 to amend the length of service and vacation hours to accrued weekly. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Length of service	Hours of vacation accrued weekly
0-3 years	40 hours
4-6 years	80 hours
7-10 years	120 hours
11-15 years	160 hours
Over 16 years	200 hours

Vacation time can be banked up to 240 hours.

MINUTES – MARCH 18, 2024 MEETING AND APRIL 4, 2024 MEETING

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob the minutes of the March 18, 2024 meeting and the April 4, 2024 meeting were approved with the following changes to the March 18, 2024 minutes. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

The following changes to be made to the March 18, 2024 minutes. Under the first reading of bill number 569 increase camping fees at Shadowrock Park should read: Change A to read \$30.00 per day and \$20.00 per day for persons over 60 years old.

Under bills for approval need to add under the following votes were taken that Mayor Missi Hesketh voted aye.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak the bills for March 21, 2024 for \$21,045.91, March 28, 2024 for \$143,698.25, April 4, 2024 for \$5,007.47, and April 11, 2024 for \$11,095.88 were approved for payment. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF MARCH 31, 2024

The financials will be on the next meeting agenda on May 6, 2024 to allow the board and Mayor to have time to review the statements.

TRANSFERS FROM MARCH 21, 2024 THRU APRIL 11, 2024

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob the transfers from March 21, 2024 thru April 11, 2024 were approved. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

CONFIRM MONTHLY AUDIT REPORTING SHEET FOR MARCH 2024 WAS RECEIVED AND REVIEWED

All members of the board and the Mayor confirmed that they received and reviewed the monthly audit reporting sheet

On a motion by Scott Novak and seconded by Dennis Winzenried it was approved to go into closed session under authority of section 610.021(1) – legal at 7:45 p.m. with a roll call vote of Scott Novak, aye, Shawn Mathenia, aye, Dennis Winzenried, aye, Dustin Krob, aye.

CLOSED SESSION

The board discussed legal issues. No decisions were made and no votes were taken.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak it was agreed to return to open session at 8:25 p.m. with a roll call vote of Scott Novak, aye, Shawn Mathenia, aye, Dustin Krob, aye, and Dennis Winzenried, aye.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The announcement was made that the board discussed legal issue and no decisions were made and not votes were taken.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Cheyenne Beasley, City Clerk

Missi Hesketh, Mayor