

The Forsyth Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Thursday April 4, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Missi Hesketh
Dennis Winzenried
Mark Moore
Scott Novak
Dustin Krob

Pat Gray, Mandy Gray, Mary Cummings, Debbie Mace, Matt Bailey, Shane Keys, Carolyn Donovan, Tim Donovan, Steve Marler, Max Murray, Jennifer Fagan, Chris Snyder, Jason Fitzgerald, Shawn Mathenia, Christine Roth, David Veldman, Cory Smith, Joe Sweeney Legore, and Courtney Sweeney Legore.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION

Jennifer Fagan with Republic Services read a letter to the board about the services they provide and the good relationship they have had with the city over the years. Would like the board to consider continuing the trash and recycle services with Republic Services.

LONNIE BROWN – BUSINESS LICENSE ISSUE

Mr. Brown was not in attendance at the meeting.

APPROVE CONTRACT FOR TRASH REMOVAL AND RECYCLE SERVICES

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak it was approved to accept the bid for trash removal and recycling services from Republic Services. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE TO CHANGE OFFICER STATUS TO PART TIME

On a motion by Dustin Krob and seconded by it was approved to move officer Christina Rockriver to part time status. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE BID FOR AUDIT SERVICES

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to accept the bid from KPM for auditing services in the amount of \$12,600.00 for 2024, \$13,200.00 for 2025 and \$13,800.00 for 2026. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE WEEKLY ACCRUAL OF SICK TIME FOR EMPLOYEES- AMEND EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL POLICY

On a motion by Scott Novak and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to amend page 14 of the employee personnel policy to read each employee shall earn 80 hours of sick leave per year to be accrued weekly.

The section accrued on the employee's anniversary date of each year shall be removed. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE VACATION ACCRUAL FOR EMPLOYEES AND AMEND PERSONNEL POLICY

The board had a discussion on how the vacation accrual will be handled with the new time keeping software.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Mark Moore it was approved to table this item until the meeting on April 15, 2024. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

APPROVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH BLUE VALLEY PUBLIC SAFETY FOR STORM SIREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,193.00

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to accept the new maintenance contract with from Blue Valley Public Safety for the outdoor warning siren system in the amount of \$5,193.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

DISCUSS SEWER RATE

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to change the sewer base rate to \$15.00 and the per 1,000 gallons of water use charge to \$5.00. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Will have and ordinance for the April 15, 2024 meeting.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Dustin Krob it was approved to go into closed session under authority of section 610.021(3) – personnel. With a roll call vote of Dennis Winzenried, aye, Dustin Krob, aye, Scott Novak, aye, and Mark Moore, aye.

CLOSED SESSION

The board discussed a personnel issue. No decisions were made or votes taken.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Scott Novak it was agreed to return to open session at 8:00 p.m. with a roll call vote of Scott Novak, aye, Mark Moore, aye, Dustin Krob, aye, and Dennis Winzenried aye.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The announcement was made in open session that the board discussed personnel and no votes were taken and no decisions were made.

On a motion by Dennis Winzenried and seconded by Mark Moore the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Cheyenne Beasley, City Clerk

Missi Hesketh, Mayor