

**CITY OF FORYSTH
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2017
STATE OF MONTANA**

Mayor Dennis Kopitzke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; officials in attendance were; Council Members Carole Raymond, Robert Martelle, Chris Purkett, and John Hill, Clerk - Treasurer Doris Pinkerton, Attorney Jeff Weldon, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, Water Wastewater Director Pat Zent, Building Inspector Ron Ball and Pool Manager Jason Forberg. Not in attendance was Sheriff Allen Fulton and Judge Gail Beckham.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Hart was present, he asked for an update on the trailer removal process. Mayor Kopitzke provided an update.

Mrs. Breann Purkett was present; she provided an update on the playground equipment replacement request. She polled children in different age groups and reported to Mayor Kopitzke and the City Council Members the equipment those groups would prefer and the cost. A discussion followed on fund raising. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

REVIEW – REVISE AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kopitzke presented the consent agenda for approval:

City Clerk Pinkerton asked the City Council to approve an additional amount of \$169,264.26; for construction of the Ultra Violet System, the second payment to EDK Construction and the payment to the Department of Revenue for the gross receipts. The total amount for approval would be \$351,188.23.

Council Member Raymond made a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included claim numbers 19019 – 19062 in the amount of \$181,923.97; and to include the additional claim, as requested from Clerk Pinkerton, the total amount of approval is \$351,188.23, and check numbers 17973-18018 in the amount of \$320,104.90 for prior approved claims. The motion was seconded by Council Member Purkett.

City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Purkett inquired about the process of the Business License renewal. Mayor Kopitzke explained the renewal has been in the newspaper and posted. Council Member Purkett suggested a follow up notice be sent to those that have not renewed.

CITIZENS

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Open Container Permit Request from the Iron Horse Saloon – Starting at 5:00 p.m. Jan 27th to Jan. 29th, 2017 to 7:00 p.m. for the 900 Block Dart Tournament.: Mayor Kopitzke presented the permit from the Iron Horse Saloon for City Council consideration; a discussion followed on the beginning and ending time, as the Lariat Bar also has a permit request, with a different time. It was suggested the beginning time to start at 5:00 p.m. and ending time on January 29th at 8:00 p.m. to provide consistency.

Council Member Martelle made a motion to approve the permit request, the motion was seconded by Council Member Raymond with the time change as noted in discussion. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

Open Container Permit Request from the Lariat Bar – Starting at 6:00 p.m. Jan. 27th to Jan. 29th, 2017 to 7:00 p.m. for the Dart Tournament:

Council Member Purkett made a motion to approve the permit with a start time on January 27th at 5:00 p.m. to January 29th at 8:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Council Member Raymond. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Levy Update: Mayor Kopitzke inquired of Public Works Director Richard Thompson if he had an update. Public Works Director Thompson reported he will be working on a letter to send out to the property owners on the dike. The annual inspection report was provided to Mayor Kopitzke and the City Council.

UV Update: Mayor Kopitzke asked Water Wastewater Director Pat Zent if there was an update. He reported the project is progressing and if all goes well they will be providing training on the system the week of January 16th.

Law Enforcement Agreement: Mayor Kopitzke noted there was a copy of the contract in the packet, a discussion followed on the contract.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Committee Appointments: Mayor Kopitzke provided an updated appointment list, the list remains the same as last year.

Council Member Martelle made a motion to approve the list as presented, the motion was seconded by Council Member Purkett. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

Council President Appointment: Mayor Kopitzke asked for City Council direction for Council President.

Council Member Martelle made a motion to recommend Council Member Raymond as Council President. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hill, City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

Zoning Commission Appointment: The members were included in the committee appointments.

Clerk – Treasurer Appointment: Mayor Kopitzke made a recommendation to appoint Mrs. Doris Pinkerton as City Clerk - Treasurer.

Council Member Purkett made a motion to appoint Mrs. Pinkerton as the Clerk – Treasurer, the motion was seconded by Council Member Martelle. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS

Mayor Kopitzke presented his report; which included an article on the reconstruction of Front Street by the Montana Department of Transportation. Other departments providing reports were City Clerk - Treasurer Doris Pinkerton, Attorney Weldon, Attorney White, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, Water - Wastewater Director Pat Zent, Building Inspector Ron Ball, Pool Manager Jason Forberg and Judge Beckham.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

A Public Works Committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss the playground equipment proposal. A council committee meeting was scheduled to return to review of the city code, Titles 12 & 13 on January 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE: January 23rd, 2017

Public Comment: Mayor Kopitzke asked for public comment after each topic, and those comments are recorded as part of the official minutes.

Agenda Items for the Next Meeting: Levy, Levy Elevation Survey Estimate, Playground Equipment, Ultra Violet System, Code Review, Law Enforcement Contract, Open Container Request from Buff’s Bar

With no other business to discuss, Mayor Kopitzke adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Mayor Dennis Kopitzke

City Clerk Doris Pinkerton