

**CITY OF FORYSTH
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 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, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, Water - Wastewater Director Pat Zent, Building Inspector Ron Ball and Under Sheriff Bruce Price. Not in attendance was Attorney Jeff Weldon, Pool Manager Jason Forberg and Judge Gail Beckham.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

REVIEW – REVISE AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kopitzke presented the consent agenda for approval:

Council Member Raymond made a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included claim numbers 19063 – 19084 in the amount of \$181,675.59; and check numbers 18019-18037 in the amount of \$181,550.13 for prior approved claims. The motion was seconded by Council Member Martelle.

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

CITIZENS

Unfinished Business:

Playground Equipment: Mayor Kopitzke opened the discussion on the playground equipment request; Council Member Purkett passed out the information from the survey from the children, and the cost for each set. Council Member Raymond reported the Dart League has said they will provide \$15,000.00 toward the purchase. Council Member Raymond made a motion to purchase the playground equipment, the total request would be \$65,000.00. A discussion followed; Mayor Kopitzke explained that he has requested from the department heads; capital improvement lists, those requests are due by February 1st; as part of the Growth Plan. He would like to present those requests to the Council at the next meeting; the playground equipment request could be added to the list for consideration. Council Member Martelle said that when the school purchased new playground equipment, the PTSA helped with the installation and saved money. With consideration of the discussion, Council Member Raymond rescinded her motion.

New Business:

Open Container Permit Request from Buff's Bar– Starting at 6:00 p.m. Jan 27th to Jan. 29th, 2017 to 12:00 a.m. for the 900 Block Dart Tournament: Mayor Kopitzke presented the permit from Buff's Bar for City Council consideration; a discussion followed on the beginning and ending time, as the Lariat Bar and the Iron Horse Saloon permits were approved with a starting time of 5:00 p.m. on January 27th to 8:00 p.m. on January 29th. 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 with the adjustments to the start and ending times, 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; he has put this on hold because of snow removal and the properties are covered with snow.

Elevation Survey Cost: Public Works Director Thompson will be presenting this at a future meeting.

UV Update: Mayor Kopitzke asked Water Wastewater Director Pat Zent if there was an update. He reported the system is complete and is running well. He invited everyone to come and see it in operation.

DOWL Engineering Request for Contract Amendment: The City Council reviewed the reasons for the amendment request and felt that more information was necessary in order to make a decision. A letter will be sent to DOWL Engineering requesting more information on the contract amendment request.

Law Enforcement Agreement: Mayor Kopitzke thanked Under Sheriff Bruce Price for attending the meeting and providing a report. He explained he and the City Council feel there is a need to review the agreement for the law enforcement services. A meeting will be scheduled.

Title 12 Zoning Regulations and Title 13 Subdivision Regulation Review: Mayor Kopitzke noted that a Council committee meeting was held prior to the Council meeting and the committee reviewed Title 12 and 13. There were changes discussed to the Zoning Regulations and Rosebud County Planner John Marks will be contacted to inquire if there have been any changes to Title 13; as the city has adopted Rosebud County Subdivision Regulations. The changes will be on the agenda for consideration at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Garbage Container Purchase Request: Mayor Kopitzke presented the request for garbage containers. Public Works Director Thompson explained it is time to replace containers, and he would like to buy sixty-six small containers for residential use, they are \$75.00 each, and he has \$5,000.00 in the budget.

Council Member Raymond made a motion to approve the purchase in the amount of \$4,950.00 as requested, the motion was seconded by Council Member Purkett. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS

Mayor Kopitzke presented his report; and added he attended the presentation on the building of the wind farm in Northeastern Rosebud County. Other departments providing reports were City Clerk - Treasurer Doris Pinkerton, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, Water - Wastewater Director Pat Zent, Building Inspector Ron Ball, Pool Manager Jason Forberg and Under Sheriff Bruce Price.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS: A meeting will be scheduled to discuss law enforcement services.

NEXT MEETING DATE: A discussion was held on the February meeting schedule.

Council Member Martelle made a motion to schedule one meeting in February on February 27th and to give authority to the Clerk – Treasurer to pay necessary bills. The motion was seconded by Council Member Raymond. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

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 and Capital Improvement List

With no other business to discuss, Mayor Kopitzke adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Mayor Dennis Kopitzke

City Clerk Doris Pinkerton