

**CITY OF FORYSTH
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 24, 2017
STATE OF MONTANA**

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

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Robert Engle was present to ask the City Council to budget \$3,000.00 for Urban Forestry. He explained that the purpose is to provide funds to begin training designated city employees on tree identification, recognition of hazardous trees and proper use of power tools for the maintenance of urban forestry. The City Council will consider the request for the upcoming budget.

PUBLIC HEARING(S) - None

REVIEW – REVISE AGENDA - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kopitzke presented the consent agenda for approval:

Council Member Purkett made a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included claim numbers 19206 – 19229 in the amount of \$28,638.98; and check numbers 18151-18173 in the amount of \$7,940.39 for prior approved claims. The motion was seconded by Council Member Martelle. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 3-0.

CITIZENS

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Lariat Bar – Mr. Queen – Open Container Request for April 29th, 4:00 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. for a Dart Tournament:

Council Member Purkett made a motion to approve the variance request, the motion was seconded by Council Member Hill. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Levy Update: Mayor Kopitzke presented the levy update item; Public Works Director Richard Thompson reported he has met with several property owners, he is also getting an estimate to camera and clean the culverts along the dike. He will be contacting Carl Jackson of KLJ Engineering to get an estimate to survey the dike for elevation and the railroad tie in.

UV Update: Mayor Kopitzke asked Water Wastewater Director Pat Zent if he had an update. Pat reported the contractor has finished, but damaged the building when they were finishing the dirt work. They will need to come back and fix the building, Pat said DOWL Engineering will contact the contractor.

Playground Equipment: A discussion followed on the playground equipment process, City Clerk Pinkerton has put together a draft request for proposals; which has been sent to Attorney Weldon for review. After Attorney review, the Parks and Recreation Committee will meet and review responsibilities. This will return on the May 22nd agenda.

Roof Quotes: Pool Manager Jason Forberg has solicited quotes for roof replacements, he has quotes from three (3) companies but is expecting one (1) more. The quotes will be reviewed and will return on the May 22nd meeting agenda.

Water Rate Increase: Nothing new to report.

Community Market: This was referred to the Parks Committee, to discuss and draft a user agreement and will return on the May 22nd agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Chemical Purchase Request: Water Wastewater Director Par Zent asked permission to purchase chemical in the amount of \$7,820.00 for the water plant.

Council Member Martelle made a motion to approve the purchase of the chemical for the water plant, the motion was seconded by Council Member Purkett. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 3-0.

LED Lightening for Shop: Public Works Director Richard Thompson asked for approval to switch out lights in the main shop building to LED and add some lighting to some dark areas in the main shop bay, not to exceed \$5,500.00.

Council Member Martelle made a motion to approve the shop lighting project, the motion was seconded by Council Member Purkett. City Clerk called roll; the motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS

Mayor Kopitzke presented his report. Other departments providing reports were, City Clerk - Treasurer Doris Pinkerton, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, and Water – Wastewater Director Pat Zent, and the Sheriff’s department.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS: A Park and Recreation Committee meeting will be scheduled.

NEXT MEETING DATE: May 22, 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, Water Rate Increase, Play Ground Equipment, Roof Repairs or Replacement, Title 14 Zoning Amendments, Budget

With no other business to discuss, Mayor Kopitzke adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor Dennis Kopitzke

City Clerk Doris Pinkerton