

**CITY OF FORSYTH
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2020
STATE OF MONTANA**

Mayor Dennis Kopitzke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; officials in attendance were; Council Members Chris Purkett, Ethan Bell, Carole Raymond, and John Hill, City Clerk – Treasurer Doris Pinkerton, Building Inspector Ron Ball, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, Water Wastewater Director Pat Zent, Pool Manager Jason Forberg and Deputy Sheriff Matt Gross. Excused from attending was Attorney Jeff Weldon.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Kopitzke asked if there was anyone present from the public that wish to comment on items not on the agenda. There will be no discussion of personnel. The Council will take no formal action at this point in the agenda.

Ms. Michelle Richards, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Colstrip:

Mayor Kopitzke introduced Michelle Richards, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Colstrip, she was present to present the 2020 Montana Municipal Clerk's, Treasurers, and Finance Officers Lifetime Achievement Award to City Clerk/Treasurer Doris Pinkerton.

Mr. Jim Atchison, Director, South Eastern Montana Development Corporation: Mayor Kopitzke introduced Mr. Atchison; Mr. Atchison was present to encourage the City Council to renew their membership to the Southeastern Montana Development Corporation, he provided an update in the current fiscal year; eleven jobs were created and retained, \$1,493,152.00 in grant funds were awarded from 2010 to the present, total economic impact in Rosebud County was \$1,713,152.00. Mayor Kopitzke said there were funds included in the budget for the membership. Mr. Atchison was appreciative.

PUBLIC HEARING(S):

Fiscal Year 19-20 Budget Amendments and Year End Transfers: Mayor Kopitzke opened the public hearing for the fiscal year 19-20 budget amendments and year end transfers, and asked for any comments. Council Member Purkett made a motion to forego the reading; the motion was seconded by Council Member Raymond. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0. Hearing no other comments, Mayor Kopitzke closed the hearing.

Fiscal Year 20-21 Budget: Mayor Kopitzke opened the public hearing for comments for the Fiscal Year 20-21 budget, hearing no comments he closed the hearing.

REVIEW – REVISE AGENDA: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Kopitzke presented the consent agenda for approval: City Clerk Pinkerton asked to have two (2) additional claims included for approval; City Service Valcon in the amount of \$1,246.99 and Montana Dakota Utilities in the amount of \$9,881.42, total amount for approval including the new claims, would be \$95,428.99.

Council Member Purkett made a motion to approve the consent agenda, which included claim numbers 21255-21301 in the amount of \$95,428.99 and check numbers 20135 – 20166 in the amount of \$76,775.88 for prior approved claims. The motion to approve the consent agenda was seconded by Council Member Raymond. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

CITIZENS

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Mayor Kopitzke presented the open container and street closure request from Mrs. Brenda Clifford, for a block party on September 11th from six o'clock p.m. to ten o'clock p.m. on Seventh Street in front of 458 N. Seventh. Council Member Raymond made a motion to approve the request, the motion was seconded by Council Member Purkett. City Clerk Pinkerton called roll; the motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS: Mayor Kopitzke presented his report; which included the Sheriff report. Other reports were provided by City Clerk/Treasurer Doris Pinkerton, Judge Elaine Egeland, Public Works Director Richard Thompson, Water Wastewater Director Pat Zent, Building Inspector Ron Ball and Pool Manager Jason Forberg.ashley

COUNCIL COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: September 14, 2020

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

Agenda Items for the Next Meeting: Street Repair next to the boulevard

With no other business to discuss, Mayor Kopitzke adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Mayor Dennis Kopitzke

City Clerk Doris Pinkerton