FOREMAN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING February 20, 2018

The Foreman City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, in the Foreman Community Center.

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM after the prayer. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The roll was called and the following members were present; Alana Cody, Helen Dixon, Tommy McDonald, and Perry Young. Councilmen Duck Gauldin and Bill Harp were absent. A quorum was declared.

The minutes of the January meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made to approve as presented by Councilman Young with Councilman McDonald seconding. All members voted to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

The Financial Report was presented. After a brief review, Councilman McDonald made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented, Councilman Cody seconded. The motion carried.

Citizens wishing to address the Council

There were no citizens to address the Council.

Department Reports

Administration: The Mayor informed the Council Members both the Water Audit and the State General Audit was under way at the present time, auditing the year of 2017. The Mayor also reported that on occasion in the past with the previous recorder/treasurer, he would transfer funds electronically as needed to conduct business, as funds were needed in different accounts. The process required Council approval with an Ordinance. Ordinance #321 was presented and reviewed for approval. Under an emergency clause the Ordinance was read and Councilman Young made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented and Councilman Tommy McDonald seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The Mayor stated that Theresa Woods, Deputy Recorder/Treasurer now usually wrote a check to transfer funds instead of electronically.

Law Enforcement: Deputy Kevin Sanders presented the monthly Sheriff's Report which reported 3,235 miles were patrolled during January. There were forty (40) calls with eleven (11) disturbances, two (2) theft calls, two (2) animal complaints, two (2) accidents, and one (1) breaking and entering. One (1) felony arrest, three (3) misdemeanor arrests, and twenty (20) warnings and fifteen (15) citations were made. Three (3) doors to businesses or offices were found open during security checks. Fines for Foreman totaled \$1,081.08 for January. The Mayor thanked the Sheriff and Deputy for their services and the report.

Fire Department: No report was presented.

Parks Department: Councilman McDonald gave a brief report on the Park. Mayor Adams stated she had inquired about the tops for the trash cans distributed throughout the parks.

Street Department: It was reported with all the cold weather and rain the streets are really in bad shape. Hopefully with warmer and dryer weather we can begin to work on the patching again she stated.

Water Department: No new report. The Boil Water Order that was previously issued was precautionary only.

Unfinished Business: The Boil Water Order was issued due to the ground storage tank getting down so low. RDA is very slow to respond and usually then only after Eddie Smith calls first. This is after they are notified.

New Business

Mayor Adams reported several areas in the city were having electrical problems and she reviewed those areas with the council. A proposal for repair and completing the work from ArTex Electric was presented for \$2,821.73. During discussion Mayor Adams reported all new LED lights would replace old lights. Councilman Young made a motion to approve the electrical work and Councilman Dixon seconded. Motion carried.

A brief discussion was held on the need to purchase a generator for the pumps at the Wastewater Plant. Mayor Adams stated she would contact Glen Spears for specifics on a new generator and what was needed.

The Mayor reported that a couple of lots on Schuman Street next to a city lot owned by the city were to be given to the city. Mayor Adams had asked the owner to sell or donate the lots to the City and he had agreed to donate, but before the paperwork could be completed and signed the owner died. Everything is up in the air now and she was uncertain if the lots could be donated now. All matters were now with his lawyer.

The Mayor also discussed that she was planning a big city wide cleanup day in May and followed with discussion.

A problem or complaint was discussed regarding the street between the east and west side of Bell Street in front of Livestock Nutrition. The area is also flooding with heavy rain and the traffic from both sides is creating rocks and gravel all over the paved area. The asphalt on the street may actually be damaged. Further discussion and planning for the problem is needed. Mayor Adams stated she would begin addressing the problem and look for a solution.

Executive Session

No executive session was held.

Regular Session

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Announcements: The next regular Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 19th at 4:00 p.m. Judy Adams, Mayor