

**FOREMAN CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 19, 2018**

The Foreman City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 19, 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 all members were present; Alana Cody, Helen Dixon, Donald "Duck" Gauldin, Bill Harp, Tommy McDonald, and Perry Young.

The minutes of the February meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made to approve as presented by Alana Cody with Tommy McDonald seconding. All members voted to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

The Financial Report was presented and reviewed. A motion by Bill Harp to approve the Financial Report as presented and seconded Alana Cody. The motion carried.

**Citizens wishing to address the Council**

Citizens present were Mike Robertson and Danielle Lansdell. Mayor Adams explained the situation involving the two citizens. The home place of Mike Robertson of 75 years was to be sold to Danielle Lansdell. Upon surveying the property, the house was found to be sitting on the north side of the city alleyway approximately 5 feet. After discussion and since the house has been located at the same place for 75 years, council members decided to abandon 6 feet of the alleyway on the north side and the city will continue to hold 14 feet of the alleyway. A motion to approve the abandonment of 6 feet by Ordinance was made by Duck Gauldin; Bill Harp seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Mayor will contact the city attorney to begin the process as soon as possible.

**Department Reports**

**Administration:** Duck Gauldin addressed the council concerning illegal use of business dumpsters. People are placing all sorts of items in the dumpsters that his service can't dispose of at the landfill. There was additional discussion on some citizens digging in dumpsters for food, etc. The Mayor discussed some properties that are being used for living places that have not been approved by owners with neither electricity nor water there. The owners have asked for help to rid the squatters. Council members were in full agreement to proceed with any legal assistance to owners either by condemning property or eviction.

**Law Enforcement:** The Sheriff's report was presented and reviewed: There were 3,549 miles patrolling, 50 service calls, 7 disturbance calls, 1 theft call, 1 animal complaint, 1 accident, 4 suspicious person calls. Deputies made 4 felony arrests, 6 misdemeanor arrests, served 4 warrants, issued 25 warnings and 15 citations, found 6 opened doors, and collected \$2,708.47 in fines.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Justin Roden requested approval to replace the old air packs for the fire department. After a general discussion, Tommy McDonald made a motion to approve the purchase of 6 air packs for the department and 1 air pack for water/sewer department for Eddie Smith, Supervisor. The packs are old and not working properly. The motion was made to purchase and pay for 3 air packs from the city's General Fund, 3 air packs using the fire department Act 833 funds, and the one for the City Water Superintendent to be paid out of the Water Department. Bill Harp approved the motion. Motion carried.

**Parks Department:** No report. Tommy McDonald stated he and his wife had painted some trash bins and covers throughout the city and a basketball pole at one of the parks. Several made comments of how much better these items looked and appreciation for the time involved.

**Street Department:** No report.

**Water Department:** No report.

**Unfinished Business:**

The Mayor discussed the cleanup day coming up and areas in the city that need cleaning and further attention. She stated she has sent out numerous letters requesting cooperation in cleaning up around properties. Several ideas were presented to help entice property owners to clean up. One suggestion was to offer cash prizes for improving property sites. Also prizes to school organizations for participating in the cleanup. All members were in favor and approved the ideas.

**New Business**

The completed 2017 Water Audit was presented. After review and discussion of the audit, Perry Young made a motion to approve the audit, with Duck Gauldin seconding the motion. Motion carried.

Storm Sirens, Inc. proposal for new batteries for the installation was presented. After review and discussion, Duck Gauldin made a motion to approve the proposal with Perry Young seconding the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Adams presented a list of accounts with the Water Audit that were recommended to be written off as Bad Debts. After review Tommy McDonald made a motion to approve writing off the accounts as "Bad Debts", Bill Harp seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Water Department will continue to collect from these customers as possible.

The list of Assets for the city was presented for updating. The Mayor had recommendations for additions and deletions. After review Alana Cody made a motion to remove 16' Trailer Serial No. 805128DFH and Yard Man Mower Serial No. 1C306G90151 from the Fixed Assets List with Helen Dixon seconding. Motion carried.


**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, April 16th at 4:00 p.m.

  
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Judy Adams, Mayor

Attest:   
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Theresa Woods, Deputy Recorder/Treasurer