# FOREMAN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING July 16, 2018

The Foreman City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 16, 2018, in the Foreman Community Center at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order following an opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll was called and the following were present: Alana Cody, Bill Harp, Helen Dixon, and Perry Young. Members not present were Donald Gauldin and Tommy McDonald. A quorum was declared.

The minutes of the June meeting were presented for approval or correction. No corrections or additions were made. Alana Cody made the motion to approve the minutes as presented and Bill Harp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Financial report for June was presented for review and approval. After a brief discussion, Perry Young made a motion to approve the report, Bill Harp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## Citizens wishing to address the Council

There were none.

# **Department Reports**

Administration: Mayor Adams reported that she had ordered the bleachers for the basketball area as had been requested. She stated the bleachers were three (3) rows and was fifteen (15) feet long and would hold thirty (30) individuals. The cost should run around \$1000.00 plus shipping expense. Perry Young made a motion to pay for the bleachers from the IDC account. Bill Harp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Mayor reported she would like to reapply for the Arkansas Highway Grant program for city street improvements for the future drawings and awards, and requested the Council's approval.

Law Enforcement: During the month of June, deputies traveled 2,820 miles and responded to (45) calls for service. There were (4) disturbance calls, (1) theft call, (4) welfare checks, (2) accident calls, (4) animal complaints, and (3) suspicious person calls. Fines for the month totaled \$2,545.00. The Mayor and council members thanked the Deputy and department for their services.

Fire Department: There was no report.

Parks Department: There was some discussion on the Recreation Park regarding future plans being discussed for the new ball fields for pee-wee ball, and a concession stand and restrooms. Perry Young and the Mayor cautioned the Park commissioner and members about changing the original plans without approval from the Parks and Tourism Commission. It was reported that the original plans were redesigned by an engineer, but had not been submitted for approval from the Parks and Tourism Commission. Without approval of the changes, the city could be required to refund part of the original grant funds.

Street Department: No report other than the need to work on the many pot holes on the city streets.

**Water Department:** No report or issues Eddie Dean reported.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

The Mayor presented the Inspection Report which was recently performed on the old Regions Bank building. A general discussion followed. She stated \$1,000 for the Escrow account had been accepted by Regions and had been wired along with required documents. The Inspection Report was reviewed and accepted and the Mayor was informed to proceed with the purchase. Perry Young made the motion to proceed with Bill Harp seconding the motion. Motion carried. The Mayor stated closing shouldn't take too long and the purchase would be complete.

#### **New Business**

A general discussion followed regarding the City's IDC account. The Mayor stated that she had found a structural engineering consultant with Design Build Consultant's to assist with the properties being donated to the City. The consulting firm would be able to discuss how the City should proceed with either demolishing and removal or designing new purposes as discussed. She did not have information regarding the costs for their services yet, but would get additional information and contact and consult with the council members regarding this information. All council members approved of the next steps. Helen Dixon made the motion to proceed as discussed with Alana Cody seconding. Motion carried.

## **Executive Session**

No Executive Session.

## **Regular Session**

Helen Dixon made a motion to adjourn with Perry Young seconding the motion. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting was announced to be on Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00p.m.

Announcements: The next regular Council Meeting will be held on Monday, August 20th, at 4:00 p.m.

Judy Adams, Mayor

Attest:

Theresa Woods, Deputy Recorder/Treasurer