

**FOREMAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 20, 2019**

The Foreman City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 20, 2019, in the Foreman Community Center at 4:00 p.m.

Mike McKee opened the meeting with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Mayor, Bill Harp, called the meeting to order and the roll was called. Council members Judy Adams, Helen Dixon, Mike McKee, Tommy McDonald, and Perry Young were present. Alana Cody was not present. A quorum was declared. Theresa Woods, Deputy Recorder/Treasurer, was also present.

The minutes of the previous meeting was reviewed and approved as submitted. Mike McKee made the motion to accept the minutes as submitted with Tommy McDonald seconding the motion. Motion carried.

The Financial report for the month of April was presented. After a brief review and discussion, Judy Adams made a motion to approve and accept the report. Tommy McDonald seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Citizens wishing to address the Council

None.

Department Reports

Administration: Mayor Harp reported the City received a certified letter from Arkansas Dept. of Health stating they have placed Foreman Waterworks under an "Administrative Order" (Enforcement Action Number AO1905323) in response to violations of the ADH Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Public Water Systems and the Safe Drinking Water Act. He explained we have received violations for the first two quarters on 2019. He went on to say that we received Non-Compliance on the sample the ADH pulled in April for the third quarter of 2019. He said that since we purchase our water from RDA they are responsible for treating the water; we do not treat our water. After a lengthy discussion, it was suggested that we should reach out to other RDA customers, such as Winthrop, and meet with the county judge and the RDA board to resolve this issue.

The lamps on Schuman St. are fixed. Nantze Electric ordered (2) globes so we will have a spare globe and (2) of the glass inserts that were missing for a cost of \$1,500.

Judy asked if the Mayor has talked with Pilgrim's about their trucks driving on the streets marked 'No Trucks'. Judy suggested we send an official letter to Pilgrim's asking them to follow the truck routes. A discussion followed about the other trucks still ignoring the 'No Truck' signs and the 4-wheelers running all over town. Judy suggested the Mayor write a letter to the Sheriff addressing these concerns and city council along with Mayor will sign.

Mayor Harp said ABC Roofing has come two times and applied snow seal on the city hall roof. It did not leak until this past weekend and started leaking again.

Law Enforcement: The monthly patrol report from the Sheriff's Dept. for March was presented. The deputies drove approximately 4,282 miles and responded to (97) calls for service including (14) disturbance calls, (9) medical calls, (9) animal complaint, (10) accidents, and (2) suspicious person calls. Deputies made (8) misdemeanor arrests, (2) felony arrest, served (3) warrants, and issued (42) warnings

and (15) citations. Deputies also located (4) open doors while conducting security checks. Fines collected in the amount of \$2,395.45 for the month.

Fire Department: Mayor Harp reported that the materials have been purchased to fix the back of the fire department building where it has rotted out. Some of the fire department members are going to make the repairs.

Parks Department: Discussed revisions to proposed Ordinance 333 concerning the parks rules & regulations. After discussion the council would like to add a statement stating the city is not responsible for any accidents or theft, no smoking & vaping on the premises, and clean up after pets. Mike McKee made a motion to approve Ordinance 333 with the changes under the Emergency Clause and Judy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussed the Resolution to be able to apply for Arkansas Parks and Tourism 50/50 Matching grant. Perry Young made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-004 to apply for Arkansas Parks and Tourism 50/50 Matching Grant. Judy Adams seconded. Motion carried.

Street Department: Mayor Harp said Eddie Smith and himself attended a pothole patching class in Lewisville, AR earlier this month. The mayor discussed possibly using IDC funds to repair some of the roads. He would want to hold a public meeting to get the opinion of the citizens on using the IDC funds for the street repairs. He said the county has agreed to provide labor if we bought materials. Judy Adams stated she would like an estimate.

Discussed a smaller mower for areas that the zero turn mowers are too big.

Water Department: A fire hydrant at the intersection of Madden and 4th Avenue was hit by a bush hog on April 30 around 4:30pm. Eddie Smith, Clayvern Sams, and the Mayor worked until 6am the next morning to repair the leak. A few days later the transite line started leaking right down from original break. The cost estimate for the supplies and labor on the April 30th break was given to the Sheriff's office to give to the citizen that hit the fire hydrant to recoup the cost of the break. The council advised the mayor that the second water break should be filed also.

The pump at the sewer pond quit working Sunday and Eddie had to go out. There were rags, etc. wrapped up in the pump. Earlier that week there was a mop head in the pump.

Mayor Harp told the council that the 2008 Chevrolet truck that Eddie drives is having a lot mechanical problems. It has been to the shop a couple of times already and still needs about \$5,000 of repairs. Mayor Harp presented the council with a bid from Gregg Orr Chevrolet to purchase a 2019 2500HD Silverado, 4-wheel drive truck in the amount of \$31,387. After a discussion the council instructed the mayor to get bids from other dealerships and check the prices on other models also.

Sanitation Department: Mayor Harp reported that things are running a lot better.

Unfinished Business:

New Business: No report.

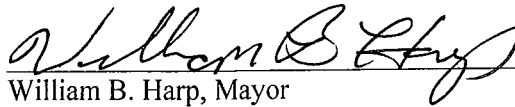
Executive Session: None


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Announcements

The Mayor announced the next council meeting for June, will be held on Monday, June 17, 2019.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by a motion from Helen Dixon, seconded by Tommy McDonald. Meeting adjourned.


William B. Harp, Mayor

Attest: 
Theresa Woods, Deputy Recorder/Treasurer