

City of Forman, North Dakota
Regular City Council Meeting
September 12, 2023

The regular City Council meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Mayor Kevin Bopp. Present were council members Luke Anderson, Neil Weaving, and Al Colemer. Also attending were Sheriff Travis Paeper, Donovan Hajek, David Jacobson, Lyle Bopp, Alicia Thompson and Sara Dux.

All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Al Colemer, seconded by Neil Weaving to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Luke Anderson, seconded by Neil Weaving to approve minutes from the August 8, 2023 regular city council meeting. Motion carried.

The Public Hearing to approve the 2024 budget was opened. Public comment was heard from Dave Jacobson regarding increased Taxes. No other public comments were heard. A motion was made by Al Colmer and seconded by Luke Anderson to approve the final budget for 2024. Roll call : Colmer Aye, Anderson Aye, Stenvold Absent, Weaving Aye. Public hearing was then closed.

Sheriff Travis Paeper reported on the Sheriff's Departments recent activities and hours worked. 67 service hours were reported for the month of July and the report noted 22 service calls and 2 domestic arrests. He also reminded the council when we hold city events that we communicate to the bar owner to be sure they are getting their permits and deputy for security purposes for events happening.

City Superintendent Donavon Hajek then gave an update on recent work around the city. He submitted a report to the Council prior to the meeting of his activities for the past month. Some items maintenance worked on included, working on the Fogger, continue to work on water plant. Donavan ordered the PVC for the culvert behind the apartments on 2nd ST in hopes that they will be able to complete the project this fall. Donavan expressed interest in purchasing a Generator for the water plant. Kevin did talk to Wendy Willprecht regarding cleaning Drain 4, Wendy will put it on the agenda for the next Water Board meeting.

A motion was made by Neil Weaving and seconded by Luke Anderson to approve the city auditor's report including the August 2023 financial statements, payment of the bills, and the delinquency report. Motion carried. Discussion was held regarding Olson Accounting to take over City and Library Payroll. A motion was made by Neil Weaving and seconded by Al Colemer to approve the switch to Olson Accounting for Payroll. Alicia will follow up with Olson Accounting to make sure things are set up.

City Attorney, Lyle Bopp, had no report.

City Coordinator Sara Dux gave a re-cap of Car Fest events and discussed next year's activities. We are going to change the way we distribute Welcome to the City bags for new residents. She discussed interest in a small business vendor show for small business Saturday. There was discussion on the Community Impressions program run by the NDSU extension office which would allow us to visit another community and offer them suggestions and in return we would get the same from their community. Finishing update on RZ application for Glenn and Leah Shultz. A motion was made by Neil Weaving and seconded by Luke Anderson to approve the RZ

application from the Schultz. Motion carried. Sara is finishing the updates to the RZ inventory including the 6 additional blocks to be added as discussed previously by the Council a motion was made by Neil Weaving and seconded by AL Colemer to approve the addition of blocks 34,35,36 and 45,46,47 to the RZ. Motion carried.

The council then discussed old business. A motion was made by Luke and seconded by Neil to move forward with the quote from 3D Specialties to install the Dynamic Radar Signs. Roll Call: Luke Aye, Neil Aye, Colemer Aye and Stenvold absent. A motion was made by Al and seconded by Luke to approve the Lariat application for a retail liquor license and the special event permit for the Lariat to serve at a wedding at the fairgrounds. Motion carried.

In new business, A motion was made by Neil and seconded by Al remove Jamie Stanton-Ring from all accounts and add Alicia Thompson to all City accounts including the Library. Motion carried. A motion was made Luke and seconded by Neil to approve the purchase of a used Street Sweeper from the City of Gwinner. Roll Call: Luke Aye, Neil Aye, Al Aye, Stenvold Absent. Kevin will work with council on a surplus property listing to be put up for bids at a later date.

In other business a Motion was made by Al and seconded by Neil to approve the LEOP resolution for Emergency Management. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM. Next regular Council meeting is scheduled for October 10th.

Kevin Bopp, Mayor

Alicia Thompson, City Auditor