

**Town of Farmington  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
February 18th, 2019  
Farmington Community Center  
6:00 PM – 6:45 PM**

**Roll Call:**

Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Hellinger, Councilmembers: Jaime Lopez and Brian Oliver, Diana Oliver was present via telephonic participation (PER RESOLUTION 329-12). Mayor David Baker and Councilmember Lavon Walser were absent.

**Visitor:**

George Martzall, Liz Hellinger and Max Mohan.

**Open Regular Council Meeting:**

Farmington's Regular – February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Town Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

**Approval of the January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes:**

Brian Oliver **moved** for approval of January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes. Jaime Lopez **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

**Approval of Claims & Payroll:**

Diana Oliver **moved** for approval of the January 22, 2019 through February 18, 2019 claims of **\$4,037.74** & payroll of **\$4,085.38** totaling **\$8,123.12**, Jaime Lopez **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

Town Of Farmington MCAG #: 0806		<b>CHECK REGISTER</b>				Time: 14:45:34	Date: 02/09/2019
Trans	Date	Type	Acct #	Chk #	Claimant	Amount	Memo
60	01/31/2019	Payroll	1	EFT	Internal Revenue Service	\$59.02	2019 JANUARY - 941 Tax Deposit
58	01/31/2019	Payroll	1	1851	Barbara Dial-Flomer	1,068.26	2019 JANUARY - Payroll
59	01/31/2019	Payroll	1	1852	George Martzall	1,089.84	2019 JANUARY - Payroll
98	02/15/2019	Payroll	1	1853	Barbara Dial-Flomer	1,068.26	2019 FEBRUARY - Mid Month Payroll
61	01/31/2019	Claims	1	6345	Barney Buckley	50.00	2019 JANUARY - Wastewater Operator Services
63	01/31/2019	Claims	1	6346	Barney Buckley	120.00	2019 JANUARY - Water Operator Services
102	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6347	Anatek Labs, Inc.	20.00	2018 JANUARY - Water Coliform Testing
103	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6348	Avista Utilities	1,688.96	2019 JANUARY - AVISTA Utility Charges
104	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6349	Bishop Law Office	200.00	2019 JANUARY - Legal Retainer
105	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6350	Empire Disposal	48.96	2019 JANUARY - Garbage Collection Service
106	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6351	Frontier Communications NW, Inc.	123.24	2019 JANUARY - Phone - Fax - Internet
107	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6352	JMT Petroleum	426.23	2019 JANUARY - Kerosene Heating Oil For The Community Center
108	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6353	Master Card	\$66.07	2018 JANUARY - Mastercard Charges
109	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6354	Tekoa Hardware	19.99	2018 JANUARY - Gutter Brackets (6) For Community Center
110	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6355	Town Of Farmington	240.00	2019 JANUARY Usage - Water & Sewer Account Payments - #85 Community Center - #465 Park - #546 Fire
111	02/18/2019	Claims	1	6356	Whitman County Auditor	234.29	2018 ANNUAL - Voter Registration Fee (RCW 29 A.08.150)
		001 Current Expense				3,818.97	
		101 City Street				1,014.82	
		401 Water Fund				1,775.87	
		409 Sewer Fund				1,513.46	
						8,123.12	Claims: 4,037.74 Payroll: 4,085.38

**Approval of the January Treasurer's Report:**

Brian Oliver **moved** for approval of the January 2019 Treasurers Report showing Farmington with a cash balance of **\$253,982.76**. **\$164,034.40** in checking and **\$89,948.36** in the MMDA account. Jaime Lopez **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Mayor Pro-tem Hellinger confirmed with the council that they had each received a copy of the email correspondence between he and the manager of the Main Street program (including the application for membership). The director of the program stated that she does not have a model to compare Farmington with as the population of their smallest member is 1000 residents.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- None.

**Council Comments:**

- None.

**Clerk-Treasurer Comments:**

- The Clerk asked the council for approval of a reimbursement check of \$250.00 to Barney Buckley for training, a payment of \$40.00 to Anatek Labs for testing and a check to KME for \$735.02, payment for troubleshooting the pump failure at the sewer lift station. Diana Oliver **moved** for approval of **\$1025.02** to cover the above expenditures which will show on the council's March meeting check register. Jaime Lopez **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

**Mayor's Comments:**

- Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger advised the council that Mayor Baker has been unable to make any progress in regard to finding someone to lease the town's 4.5 acres of hay ground.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger reported that Mayor Baker has hired the Town's sewer operator Barney Buckley to also function as the Town's water operator, and that Tim Hokenson has been hired to fill in as snow plow driver while Rudy Goossen recovers from wrist surgery.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger asked the council for approval of a \$2070.60 proposal from KME for the purchase of a spare impeller and volute wear ring for the existing hydromantic lift pump at the lift station. Brian Oliver **moved** for approval of the expenditure, Jaime Lopez **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**
- Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger stated that he intends to research what, if any impact the new internet sales tax will have on the tax revenue of Washington Cities and Towns. He also stated that he will place a call to Frontier in regard to the Willow tree branches which rest upon Frontier's DSL lines near Bridge Street here in Farmington.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger reported to the council that on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of February, following multiple days of snow accumulation, several of the branches from the fir trees which surround the community center were resting upon the power lines which provide power to the main transformer in town. Avista was called and responded and determined that the feed line was compromising the transformer thus causing a safety issue. Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger summoned Bill's Tree Service who removed the broken and compromised branches from the canopies of all 20 fir trees which surround the community center – thus alleviating the safety concern. Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger paid Bill's Tree service \$1617.00 for their services. Councilmembers Brian Oliver and Jaime Lopez asked that Mark be reimbursed for this expense and that the expenditure be ready for approval at their March meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Hellinger stated that Bill from Bill's tree service felt that possibly two of the fir trees along Main Street were dead and should be removed this spring once confirmation can be made that they are indeed deceased.
- Brian Oliver stated that as Fire Chief he would like to purchase at least six Candle Stick Safety Cones as well as a few rolls of safety tape for use in situations similar to what occurred on Friday as described above. He asked if the council would consider paying for 50% of the expenditure (approximately \$150.00). Diana Oliver **moved** for approval of the expenditure, Jaime Lopez **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned 6:45 PM

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Mayor David Baker

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Barbara Dial-Flomer, Clerk

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