

**Town of Farmington  
Open Public Meeting: 2017 Final Budget Hearing  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
December 19th, 2016  
Farmington Community Center  
6:00 PM – 6:35 PM**

**Roll Call:**

Mayor David Baker, Council Members: Noreen Ewing, Diana Oliver, Brian Oliver and Jason Brausen.

**Visitors:**

Katherine Barnes-Pawson, Mark Hellinger, George Martzall, Josh Martzall, Rudy Goossen, Marcy Goossen, Bill Heise and Kurt Bartelheimer.

**Open Public Meeting:**

**2017 Final Budget Hearing:**

Treasurer Cody Lord presented the final budget to the council. Farmington’s revenues and expenditures are expected to remain close to those of 2016 with the exception of an \$8,000.00 tax revenue loss due to the elimination of the Railroad Rolling Stock funds from the Whitman County Assessor. The budget did not see many significant changes from 2016 to 2017 - \$15,000.00 was budgeted for repairs to the old jail-storage building and \$12,000.00 was budgeted for repairs to the pump at Well Two. Cody advised the Council that 2016 ended well with only one budget amendment which was a \$4,000.00 increase in expenditures to the water fund. Cody noted that the final 2017 budget was written showing both the Street and Current Expense levies as having passed.

**Ordinance 233-16 Adoption of the 2017 Operating Budget:**

Jason Brausen **moved** for approval of Ordinance 233-16 Adoption of the 2017 Operating Budget. Brian Oliver **seconded the motion, the motion passed.** The 2017 Operating Budget shall be set as follows:

<b>FUND</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>
001 Current Expense Fund	\$ 143,405.00	\$ 81,965.00
101 City Street Fund	\$ 40,850.00	\$ 29,475.00
306 Special Equipment Reserve Fund	\$ 8,451.00	\$ 0.00
307 Capital Projects Fund – REET	\$ 1,987.00	\$ 0.00
401 Water Fund	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 46,830.00
407 Short-Lived Asset Replacement Fund	\$ 15,918.00	\$ 0.00
409 Sewer Fund	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 23,680.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 345,611.00</b>	<b>\$ 181,950.00</b>

**Close Public Hearing:**

Farmington’s open public hearing for the 2017 Final Budget was closed at 6:10 P.M.

**Open Regular Council Meeting:**

Farmington’s Regular Town Council Meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM.

**Approval of the October 17th, 2016 - 2017 Revenue Sources & 2017 Preliminary Budget Hearing & Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes & the November 21<sup>st</sup> 2017 Final Budget Hearing & Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes:**

Jason Brausen moved for approval of the October 17th, 2016 - 2017 Revenue Sources & 2017 Preliminary Budget Hearing & Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes as well as the November 21<sup>st</sup> 2017 Final Budget Hearing & Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes. Diana Oliver seconded the motion, the motion passed.

**Approval of Claims & Payroll:**

Diana Oliver moved for approval of the October 18th, 2016 through November 21st, 2016 claims of \$3,991.43 & payroll of \$5,220.69 totaling \$9,212.12 and the November 22nd, 2016 through December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 claims of \$10,373.76 & payroll of \$4,445.14 totaling \$14,818.90. Brian Oliver seconded the motion, the motion passed.

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MCAG #: 0806

10/18/2016 To: 11/21/2016

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Trans	Date	Type	Acct #	Chk #	Claimant	Amount	Memo
696	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	EFT	DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT DSHS	100.00	10/01/2016 To 10/31/2016 - DSHS - Child Support
697	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	EFT	Internal Revenue Service	974.78	941 Deposit For 10/01/2016 - 10/31/2016
690	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	1705	Barbara Dial-Flomer	456.61	10/16/2016 Thru 10/31/2016
691	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	1706	Robert Hill	18.47	50% Of Building Permit
692	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	1707	Todd Lobdell	672.30	10/01/2016 Thru 10/31/2016
693	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	1708	Cody Lord	708.28	10/16/2016 Thru 10/31/2016
694	10/31/2016	Payroll	1	1709	George Martzall	1,195.62	10/01/2016 Thru 10/31/2016
720	11/15/2016	Payroll	1	1710	Cody Lord	566.74	11/1/2016 Thru 11/15/2016
719	11/15/2016	Payroll	1	1711	Barbara Dial-Flomer	527.89	11/1/2016 Thru 11/15/2016
687	10/26/2016	Claims	1	5951	Cody Lord	80.00	REIMBURSEMENT - Whitman Co. Warranty/QCD Copies & Filing Fee Town Owned Methodist Church
688	10/27/2016	Claims	1	5952	Cody Lord	10.00	REIMBURSEMENT - Legal Size Copies - Methodist Church Quit Claim Deed.
695	10/31/2016	Claims	1	5953	Barney Buckley	50.00	October 2016 Waste Water Services
727	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5954	Anatek Labs, Inc.	20.00	2016 October - Water Testing For Coliform
728	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5955	Avista Utilities	1,302.41	2016 October - Avista Utility Charges
729	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5956	Bishop Law Office	200.00	2016 October - Legal Retainer Fee
730	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5957	Empire Disposal	42.25	2016 October - Garbage Collection
731	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5958	Frontier Communications NW, Inc.	110.07	2016 October - Phone/Fax & Internet Charges
732	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5959	General Pump Mechanics, Inc	700.05	2016 October - Sewer Lift House Pump Repair
733	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5960	H.D. Fowler Company	206.86	2016 October - Lopez Water Project East 501 Main St.
734	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5961	Palouse Hills L.L.C.	592.90	2016 October - Water Line Excavation - Lopez E 501 Main St.
735	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5962	State Of Washington	4.50	2016 October - Building Code Council Account State Fee (RCW 19.27.085) Lopez #000033.
736	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5963	Town Of Farmington	240.00	2016 October - Town Of Farmington's Water And Sewer Consumption
737	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5964	VISA	179.86	2016 October - VISA Charges
738	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5965	Whitman County Gazette	14.00	2017 Preliminary Budget Hearing Legal Notice
748	11/21/2016	Claims	1	5966	John Deere Financial	238.53	Alternator For John Deere Tractor
						3,490.00	
001 Current Expense						1,423.23	
101 City Street						2,538.74	
401 Water Fund						1,760.15	
409 Sewer Fund							
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						9,212.12	Claims: 3,991.43
							Payroll: 5,220.69

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Trans	Date	Type	Acct #	Chk #	Claimant	Amount	Memo
755	11/30/2016	Payroll	1	EFT	DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT DSHS	100.00	11/01/2016 To 11/30/2016 - DSHS - Child Support
756	11/30/2016	Payroll	1	EFT	Internal Revenue Service	856.80	941 Deposit For 11/01/2016 - 11/30/2016
750	11/30/2016	Payroll	1	1712	Barbara Dial-Flomer	464.05	11/16/2016 Thru 11/30/2016
751	11/30/2016	Payroll	1	1713	Todd Lobdell	396.18	11/01/2016 Thru 11/30/2016
752	11/30/2016	Payroll	1	1714	Cody Lord	623.15	11/16/2016 Thru 11/30/2016
753	11/30/2016	Payroll	1	1715	George Martzall	896.47	11/01/2016 Thru 11/30/2016
784	12/15/2016	Payroll	1	1716	Barbara Dial-Flomer	435.34	12/1/2016 Thru 12/15/2016
785	12/15/2016	Payroll	1	1717	Cody Lord	673.15	12/1/2016 Thru 12/15/2016
754	11/30/2016	Claims	1	5967	Barney Buckley	50.00	November 2016 Waste Water Services
760	11/30/2016	Claims	1	5968	Barney Buckley	30.00	Reimbursement For DOE Renewal Fee 2017
790	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5969	Anatek Labs, Inc.	530.00	2016 November - Water Testing To Include Heavy Metals
791	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5970	Avista Utilities	1,526.85	2016 November - Avista Utility Charges
792	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5971	Bishop Law Office	200.00	2016 November - Legal Retainer
793	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5972	Board For Volunteer Firefighters	900.00	2017 Pension And Disability FFD
794	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5973	Empire Disposal	43.25	2016 November - Garbage Collection
795	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5974	Frontier Communications NW, Inc.	110.88	2016 November - Phone/Fax And Internet
796	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5975	General Pump Mechanics, Inc	5,374.23	2016 November - Franklin Variable Drive For Well #2 \$5000. Reimbursed By AWC Safety Grant
797	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5976	JMT Petroleum	235.35	2016 November - Community Center Heating Oil
798	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5977	Tekoa Hardware & Supply	143.28	2016 November - Sign Posts & Park Supplies
799	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5978	Town Of Farmington	240.00	2016 November - Town Of Farmington's Water & Sewer Consumption
800	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5979	VISA	842.25	2016 November - Visa Charges
801	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5980	Whitman County Gazette	24.50	2016 November - Publication Of Legal Notices
802	12/19/2016	Claims	1	5981	Zumar Industries Inc.	123.17	2016 November - Street Signs - 15 MPH
						5,125.66	
001 Current Expense						5,125.66	
101 City Street						687.61	
401 Water Fund						7,818.74	
409 Sewer Fund						1,186.89	
						14,818.90	Claims: 10,373.76
							Payroll: 4,445.14

**Approval of The October & November Treasurer's Reports:**

**Noreen Ewing** moved for approval of the **October 2016 Treasurers Report** showing Farmington with a cash balance of **\$220,837.06**. **\$131,168.73** in checking and **\$89,668.36** in the MMDA account and the **November 2016 Treasurers Report** showing Farmington with a cash balance of **\$221,223.40**. **\$131,547.70** in checking and **\$89,675.73** in the MMDA account. Jason Brausen **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

**Ordinance 234-16 Amendment to the 2016 Budget:**

Diana Oliver **moved** for approval of Ordinance 234-16 an ordinance, amending Ordinance No. 232-15 thereby revising the Water Fund which was set forth in the 2016 Annual Budget for the Town of Farmington. Jason Brausen **seconded the motion, the motion passed.**

**Old Business:**

- **Methodist Church Proposal:**

At the Council's October meeting the council tabled a proposal made by Cody Lord wherein he asked for the use of the town owned Methodist Church building which was gifted to the town of Farmington in 2009. Cody proposed to the Farmington Town Council, that they allow him to lease the church building with an option to purchase it in October 2024. He asked to lease the space for \$300 annually up until Oct. 1, 2024 at which time he would exercise the option to purchase the church from the town for \$35,000.00. During the time of the lease Cody would be responsible for all expenses including taxes, insurance, utilities, and expenditures to enhance the property. Cody asked that the council take into consideration that he will be investing his time and personal resources to make this a viable agreement and the building a structure that can be mortgaged at the completion of the lease. Cody stated that the \$35,000.00 offered to purchase the church on Oct. 1, 2024 is double the fair market value of the space as it sits at this time. Brian Oliver **moved** to accept Cody's offer, Diana Oliver **seconded the motion the motion passed.** A contract between Cody Lord and the Town of Farmington will be drawn up by Bishop Law Office prior to the January 16, 2017 Town Council meeting.

- **1971 F900 Ford Fire Truck:**

Councilman Brian Oliver reported that the Town owned 1971 F900 Ford Fire Truck has been repaired and is now back in service. Josey Booth and Don Schaffer of the Farmington Volunteer Fire Department are currently looking into grant opportunities with the hope of purchasing a newer model truck. Brian stated that with our current equipment and volunteer level of training, Farmington's current fire rating is a 9.

- **Pump & Vari-Drive Bids:**

Mayor Baker advised the Council that he contacted both Strom and General Pump Mechanics and obtained bids for the purchase and installation of the proper size Vari-Drive for Well Two. The low bid was from General Pump Mechanics for \$5,374.23 - \$5,000.00 of this expenditure was funded by an AWC Safety Grant which was initially marked to be spent on the restoration of the Town's jail-storage building. The new Vari-Drive is expected to be installed before the end of 2016.

- **Jail-Storage Building Restoration Bids:**

The Mayor reported that a verbal quote of \$15,000.00 was received from Zack of Iron Mountain Construction to rehabilitate the old jail/storage building. A written bid was received from Authentic Restoration Services, Inc. for \$22,285.35. It was decided that since this project could not be started - much less completed, prior to the 2016 AWC-RMSA grant deadline, that the \$5,000.00 AWC-RMSA Safety Grant which was allocated to go toward this project be re-allocated to go toward the purchase and installation of a new Vari-Drive for Well Two. It was agreed that in 2017 an application will again be submitted to AWC-RMSA for another \$5,000.00 Safety Grant to assist with the funding of this project. The 2017 budget contains a \$7,000.00 donation from the Farmington Harvest Festival as well as a \$15,000.00 allocation for this project. Diana Oliver made a motion to proceed with this project in 2017 as soon as the weather permits. Brian Oliver **seconded the motion, the motion passed.** Councilmember Noreen Ewing suggested solutions for the removal of the tree stump which was left following the removal of the tree from the side of the jail-storage building. Mayor Baker stated that he will make some contacts to ascertain the best method of stump removal for this particular project.

**Council's Comments:**

None.

**Clerk-Treasurer Comments:**

None.

**Mayor's Comments:**

- **Resignation of Council Member Joel Abbott:**

Joel Abbott submitted his letter of resignation from Farmington Town Council Position One. Joel cited the reason for his resignation to be that the growth of his business has exceeded his expectations within the last few months and his need to focus his attention towards expansion. Jason Brausen **motioned** to accept Joel's resignation, Brian Oliver **seconded the motion, the motion passed.** Mayor Baker stated that a replacement for Joel would be named at the March 2017 Town Council Meeting.

- Mayor Baker announced that Farmington was awarded an \$86,000.00 grant from the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board for chip sealing on Main from C Street to 1<sup>st</sup> Street, On 1<sup>st</sup> Street from Railroad Street to Main Street and on Washington Street from the Garfield Farmington Road to 5<sup>th</sup> Street. The contract completion date is December 2017.

- **Water Issues:**

The water pressure issue at Jamie & Heather Lopez’s was resolved in October. They are extremely pleased with their water pressure following the repair.

- **Shop Heater:**

The Mayor advised the Council that the heater in the shop is not working and therefore the shop is being heated with small heaters in order to keep vital equipment from freezing.

- **Christmas Lights:**

Mayor Baker invited anyone who may be interested, to decorate the park with the Christmas lights which are stored on the second floor of the Community Center.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:35**

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Mayor David L. Baker

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

Barbara Dial-Flomer, Clerk-Treasurer

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