

**Town of Farmington
Regular Town Council Meeting
June 15th, 2020
6:00 PM**

Open Regular Council Meeting:

Farmington's June 15th, 2020 Regular Town Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call:

Mayor Brian Oliver, Councilmembers: Lavon Walser, Diana Oliver and Blanche Rhea were present. Jaime Lopez and Shelly Lobdell were absent.

Visitors:

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Diana Oliver **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the May 18th, 2020 regular council meeting. Lavon Walser **seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.**

Lavon Walser **MOVED** to approve the check register for claims and payroll processed between 5/19/2020 and 6/15/2020. Claims totaled \$1,960.21 and Payroll totaled \$3,507.80, the check register totaled \$5,468.01. Diana Oliver **seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.**

Lavon Walser **MOVED** to approve the May 2020 Treasurers Report showing Farmington with a total April cash balance of \$267,736.49, \$177,563.40 in checking and \$90,173.09 in the MMDA account, Diana Oliver **seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Three bids have been submitted to repair the roof on the fix-it shop. Princeton was the least expensive bid. Blanche Rhea asked about the reputation of the company, how soon they would be available and how long would it take them to complete the project? Mayor Oliver said that he knows them through Pullman Building supply and they are a good company, they have about a 12 man crew so they would work the town into their schedule and likely only be here a couple days with a couple guys to finish the project. Lavon Walser **MOVED** to approve Princeton Builders to repair the roof on the fix-it shed for the specified amount. Diana Oliver **seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.** Mayor Oliver asked Cody to reach out to Princeton Builders and get them scheduled for the project. The only thing left to repair on the building after that is the replacement of the man door.

Mayor Oliver said they are still working to get a third bid in for grading and graveling the roads throughout town. Mayor Oliver asked Lavon to speak with Eli and see what he would charge to drag a blade around the gravel roads and lay down two inches of new gravel. He said to bid gravel for only the roads that could be graded. The highest priority roads are 5th, 4th and 2nd from Washington to Pine Street, 1st Street from Bridge to Main, Adams from 1st to 3rd and 4th Street from Adams to Washington. Mayor Oliver will print a map and highlight the highest priority roads. Blanche asked about TIB funds and Cody informed there is a shortage of funds in TIB this year meaning since we got a significant TIB grant in 2017, we likely would not be seeing any TIB funds this year.

Mayor Oliver said he received another bid to repair the community center restrooms. The bid was \$1,000 excluding material to do the repair. Mayor Oliver also has a call into Rick Wride to see if he would consider doing the repair for an hourly rate. Don Scoles was the other bid received and he was \$1,400 for labor and materials. Lavon Walser **MOVED** to hire Rick Wride at an hourly rate to complete the job if he was available. Blanche Rhea **seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Doug Bruce will be applying spray to the weeds on the perimeter of the lagoons. He has a standing agreement to do this for the town in exchange for water they get seasonally from the hydrant at the south end of town. There are a couple farmers that trade spray services to the town for the seasonal use of water. Blanche ask if they are charged and Mayor Oliver said no, they amount of spray and time it takes to apply it, exceeds the amount of money they would pay for the water. There is some concern about other trucks coming and using the services without having this type of arrangement with the town. Mayor Oliver said if the water usage is

abused by farmers with no exchange agreement then they will likely have to lock out the water and provide a key to only those who are authorized. Mayor Oliver will have a look to see what it would take to lock the spickets up. In about 2 months the consumption for farmers will end and will not start up again until the spring.

Council Comments:

Diana Oliver said it would be nice to have a bench at the basketball court. Also, the wheel on the garbage can is broken and needs to be replaced. She noticed the last time she was at the park, there was lots of garbage and rocks around and on the court. Blanche asked if George knows this is part of his responsibilities to keep this area cleaned. Diana said there is a need for about 18 bags of bark for the rose beds. Blanche suggests soliciting members of the community to help to spread the bark and to possibly have a volunteer day to clean around town. Maybe the volunteers could all join for coffee and donuts in the park.

Blanche questioned what the process was for selling alleyways within the Town of Farmington. She believes this would be a good way to raise some money for the town and collect additional property tax and not have to worry about servicing those alleys. Mayor Oliver said in the past a price was determined based on the square footage and the sale was contingent on the town always having easement rights for any utilities that may run down the alley. Funds from the last sale of town alleyways went to purchase the fire truck.

Clerk-Treasurer Comments:

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Oliver said there is some interest to build some homes within the Town of Farmington and he would like to reorganize a Planning and Zoning Committee to address any building issues that may be arising soon. There is an old ordinance setting the guidance for the committee, how many members and who can be involved in the committee. Mayor Oliver would like to see at least 3 members on the committee. Mayor Oliver requested that Cody add the need for planning and zoning members in the water bills to be delivered at the end of the month.

Lavon Walser **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Diana Oliver **seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.



Mayor Brian Oliver

Attest: _____

Cody Lord Clerk-Treasurer

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Monday, June 15, 2020 - Farmington Community Center
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