

MINUTES OF THE FOREST ACRES CITY COUNCIL MEETING January 9, 2018

Mayor Frank Brunson, Mayor Pro-Tem Curt Rye, Council members, Ginger Dukes, Beau Powell, and Shell Suber were present, along with City Administrator Shaun Greenwood, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Andy Smith, Police Chief Gene Sealy and City Attorney Lee Holloway.

Mayor Frank Brunson called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Ginger Dukes led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Minutes:

- a. City Council Meeting held December 12, 2017
On a motion by Mr. Powell seconded by Mr. Rye, Council unanimously approved the minutes.

3. Mayor's Issues & City Projects:

- a. TPAC Report – Jack Oliver
Jack Oliver reported

- b. Responses to Community Forum Items –
 - a. Hydronic Furnace Discussion
Administrator Greenwood relayed for the record that Rita Shipman had delivered the research to City Hall that Mayor Brunson and Council had requested. The information was reviewed by himself, Mayor Brunson, Council members, and City Engineer Keith Lindler. The mutual consensus of the research material along with continued monitoring of the furnace itself is that the furnace does not violate any city ordinances.

 - b. Richland County Neighborhood Grants
Mr. Greenwood said that he has the paperwork available at city hall for neighborhoods. The applications began being accepted by Richland County on January 3, 2018.

4. New Business:

- a. Approval of Council meeting dates
On a motion by Mr. Rye seconded by Ms. Dukes, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting dates as presented.

5. Old Business:

- a. Discussion of Citadel Park Playground Equipment
Administrator Greenwood presented several options via a power point presentation to Council. Following a discussion regarding space at the park and the type of equipment that is being requested by residents that utilize the park, it was decided that Mr. Greenwood would meet with representatives of playground equipment and gather their professional recommendations.

6. City Administrator Report:

- a. Update of Administrative Processes
Mr. Greenwood reported that there are updates being made to administrative processes. Forms are becoming available in a fillable format on our website as well as through email. This will streamline processes for residents and businesses.

- b. Holiday Sanitation Collection Update
Mr. Greenwood stated that the holiday sanitation routes were successful. The staff in public works has worked tirelessly and efficiently to accommodate residents.

- c. PDD Amendment/R-2 to PDD posted for Planning Commission meeting
Mr. Greenwood said that the properties have been posted as required and the Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2018. The public hearing will come before council and residents at the Tuesday, February 13th city council meeting.

7. Finance Director Report:

Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Smith stated that the city's budget is performing as expected for this period in the fiscal year that revenues and expenditures are consistent with the same period in prior years. Mr. Smith also informed Council that two public works wheeled loaders and four FAPD vehicles were in the budget to be purchased in fiscal year 2017-2018.

8. Police Chief's Report:

Chief Sealy reported the Cold Winter's 5k race was successful.

Sadly, a resident passed away in a house fire at Point Arcadia off Decker Boulevard.

The new speed signs have been received and are currently in use in the city. Response has been positive.

The video camera project throughout the city continues to progress.

9. Community Forum:

- a. Resident Carol Kososki informed council that on January 20th Columbia Classical Ballet will be performing Lifechance and special recognition will be extended to Heroes in Blue. Ms. Kososki introduced Genevieve Sullivan who is a member of the Columbia Classical Ballet's Board of Directors. FAPD, City Council, and city employees are invited to attend.
- b. Rita Shipman asked for clarification regarding the next steps and timeframe for the hydronic furnace issue. Mayor Brunson said that the city will continue to monitor the furnace as needed and if any evidence comes forward then the matter will be revisited.
- c. Resident Jack Oliver asked about the Cardinal Newman project timeline.
Mr. Greenwood said that the Beach Company should begin pulling permits soon as they have a strict timeline that includes monetary penalties if the project does not finish on schedule.

10. Council Items:

No items to report.

11. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Rye seconded by Ms. Dukes at 6:00 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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