

**SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 30, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Forest City, Iowa, met in special session on January 30, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Forest City, Iowa.

Mayor Pro-Tem Suzanne Murphy called the meeting to order. Councilmembers present at roll call were: Sorensen, West, Clouse, Hall, Holland, Honsey. Absent: None.

Mayor Rick Skjeie enters the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

The Mayor, Council and City Clerk reviewed the budget as discussed from previous meetings and how the changes affected budget totals. After discussion, the Council took the following action on certain issues of the budget:

Moved by Honsey, seconded by Clouse, that the Library reduce their budget by \$20,000. The Council is suggesting that the Library Board look at a reduction in the area of part-time wages and benefits. Motion carried, with Hall voting Nay.

Moved by Honsey, seconded by Sorensen, that the City discontinue medical reimbursements in the amounts of \$400 single/\$800 family, effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor and Council discussed funding of Forest City Economic Development and determined that \$36,000 would be contributed to Economic Development from the Electric Fund for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

Moved by Clouse, seconded by Honsey, approving a 1.5% wage increase for non-bargaining City employees. A roll call vote was requested and the vote was AYES: West, Clouse, Honsey. NAYS: Murphy, Sorensen, Hall, Holland. Motion defeated.

Moved by Holland, seconded by Sorensen, approving a 2% wage increase for non-bargaining City employees. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was AYES: Murphy, Sorensen, Hall, Holland. NAYS: West, Clouse, Honsey. Motion carried.

Moved by Sorensen, seconded by Murphy, to increase City participation toward the employees' insurance package to \$800 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor and Council directed the City Clerk to add \$20,000 to the home activity of the General Fund budget for demolition or purchase of dilapidated homes.

Councilmember Hall introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was AYES: Murphy, Sorensen, West, Clouse, Hall, Holland, Honsey. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted as follows:

Resolution No. 11-12-20, a Resolution found in Resolution Book 11-12. A RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE F.Y.E. 2013 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FOREST CITY, IOWA. The Hearing will be held March 5, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Forest City, Iowa.

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Clouse, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Paul D. Boock, City Clerk

Rick Skjeie, Mayor