

Town of Moorcroft
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, May 13, 2019

Town Council Present: Mayor Dick Claar, Councilmen Owen Mathews, Paul Smoot, Dale Petersen and Ben Glenn

Town Employees Present: Deputy Clerk Jodi Clark, Police Chief Doug Lundborg, Public Works Director Cory Allison, and HDR Engineer Heath Turbiville

Absent: Clerk Cheryl Schneider

Mayor Dick Claar called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance being said.

Bids for police car were received. There was one received from Fremont Motor in Casper with several different options. One option was for a Ram pickup SSV1550 with trade for \$15,322, or for a Ram pickup without trade for \$ 24,322. Option two is for a Durango V6 without trade for \$29,060 or \$20,060 with a trade or Option three is for a Durango V8 without a trade for \$31, 606 and \$22, 636 with a trade, delivering next year for any option chosen.

Donna Ricks, Cynthia Clonch and Penny Cruickshank were present on behalf of the Moorcroft Senior Citizens. The Senior Citizens will be ready to move to the Town Center as soon as the rooms are ready. They will have 2 rooms at the Moorcroft Town Center. They are moving to the MTC as the building that they are currently located in is going to be demolished at a later date.

Cynthia Clonch also presented a letter of resignation from the Crook County Promotion Board. She also requested additional lighting on the street and corner of the Museum from Big Horn to Yellowstone. She requested \$2000 support from the Town for the Texas Trail Museum.

Hugh Jenkins with the Whitcomb FFA Chapter is requesting a variance to the ordinance allowing animals in the city limits. **Councilman Smoot made a motion to grant a variance to the ordinance to allow livestock on the school property to the members of the Whitcomb FFA Chapter, Councilman Glenn Seconded, Motion carried. 4/0**

Pete Quinell, State Chief of Staff for the Veterans of Foreign Wars was present. He stated the VWF in Moorcroft was established in 1946 and has now been closed. They would like to donate the building and both lots to the town. There is also a walk in cooler available.

Scott Wilson from Black Hills Energy was on the agenda, but not available. Matters with BHE will be discussed and possible discontinue construction progress if no contact is made.

Councilman Smoot motioned to approve April 22nd meeting minutes and May Bill List #1 and Councilman Mathews seconded. Motion carried. 3/0. Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the May Bill List #2 and Councilman Mathews seconded. Councilman Glenn abstained. Motion carried 3/0.

Deputy Clerk Clark gave the Clerks report. The budget meeting is Thursday at 5:00. **Councilman Mathews made a motion to pay off the Madison Water Loan balance. It is approximately \$119,831 reducing the payment for the water loans, Councilman Petersen seconded it. Motion passed 4/0.** With this motion to pay off this loan and the last motion to pay off the JPA water loan out of the reserve account, the Town can avoid raising additional water rates other than the built in 2% increase to the service fee in order to move forward to begin phase 1 of the PR Water project. No one is planning to attend the WAM Conference in June. The Crook County School District new District Wide Maintenance man let us know that they will be requesting to have only 1 dumpster in June and July at each school.

Cheryl has been in contact with someone in regards to the green space and should hear something back by the end of next week.

Police Chief Lundborg reported that they will be requesting an additional \$1,500 in July for Jubilee. The speed on Goshen was discussed. **Councilman Glenn motioned for a Stop Sign to be placed on the E and W directions of Goshen at Cheyenne. Councilman Petersen seconded. Further discussion brought Councilman Glenn to change the motion to a 4 way Stop Sign on Cheyenne Avenue and Goshen Street. Motion carried. 4/0**

Nancy Feehan gave the MTC Report. "Country Junkin" throughout the county will be June 7th, 8th and 9th, Starfish will be on the map. No hot water in the area of Bearlodge Rehab.

Public Works Director gave his report; Pothole repair at the corner of Converse and Powder River has been completed. **Councilman Mathews motioned for the payment for this project to be paid out of the 3rd Specific funds, Councilman Mathews seconded. Motion carried. 4/0.** Cory stated there is bad spot at 100 S Cheyenne that will need addressed. Cory gave report on the two building next to the town hall, which Councilman Mathews and the Property owner reviewed. Mayor Claar asked Cory to go ahead with the sand volleyball pits.

Engineer Turbiville gave the Engineer's report: The landfill sampling will need to be done again in June. Pre bid meeting will be tomorrow, the 14th at 3:00. SLIB meeting is June 20th, Dick and Heath said they will be attending. Cory will be planning on going to the meeting with the Elected Officials. Jodi will setup the meeting with the Officials as normal. We will need to get the minutes of the motions and a copy of the ordinance for the 2% increase will need to be given to the SLIB committee.

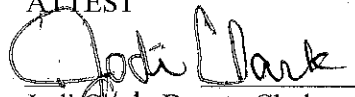
Attorney Peck informed everyone about the public records person that needs to be decided. It needs to be reported to the state. Attorney Peck read the following Ordinance into record:

ORDINANCE NO.4-2019 ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 13-304-13 OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 13 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING, 1979 PERTAINING TO REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE FROM SIDEWALKS; AND PROVING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Mathews motioned to accept 3rd Reading of Ordinance 4-2019 and Councilman Petersen seconded. Motion carried. 4/0

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 pm.


Dick Claar, Mayor

ATTEST

Jodi Clark, Deputy Clerk