

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
May 10th, 2021

Mayor Clell Claar called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call was taken.

Town Council Present: Mayor Clell Claar, Councilmen Ben Glenn, Dale Petersen, Paul Smoot and Austin Smith

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Police Chief Bill Bryant, Attorney Pat Carpenter, and HDR Engineers Heath Turbiville and Jeron Smith

Councilman Glenn motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Councilman Smoot seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Charlene Huckins, Moorcroft Jubilee Committee, was present to discuss the upcoming Jubilee Days. The committee will attend a future meeting for the formal request for street closure and open container during Jubilee. Charlene inquired about the room that is currently being used for exercising. Council discussed this area is part of the building that is designated as Town Hall and plans are to renovate in the late summer.

Clerk Schneider discussed the lagoon interim loan and pay request #8 that needs to be paid before USDA takes over funding. Additional funding is needed to pay #8 and Clerk Schneider requested to use the difference from the sewer reserves until USDA funding is in place and then replace the amount back into the reserve account. **Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the transfer of \$75,394.13 from the sewer reserve account to pay request #8 and Councilman Glenn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** The next budget meeting will be set for Monday, May 24th at 6:00 pm. Schneider reminded everyone of the free landfill day for town residents with a current water bill this Saturday, May 15th from 9 am until noon.

Mayor Claar read the public works report.

Chief Bryant updated Council on the police department. He asked for direction on the replacement of the car radios. He currently has a quote for \$5200. **Councilman Glenn motioned to allow the replacement of the radios of up to \$5200 and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Interviews for the police officer position are scheduled for May 21st. Chief Bryant stated he has seven applicants.

Heath Turbiville updated the Council on the Town's projects.

Clerk Schneider read into record on first reading Ordinance 1-2021, **AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE 12 MONTH FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022.** Councilman Glenn motioned to approve Ordinance 1-2021 on 1st Reading and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Glenn recused himself from the Council at this time. Clerk Schneider read the two bids that were received on the demolition and removal of the town's building north of town hall. Tri City Excavation, Inc. bid was \$7100.00 and Glenn Construction bid was \$8300.00. Councilman Petersen motioned to accept Tri City Excavation, Inc.'s bid for \$7100.00 for the demolition and removal of the 3 buildings and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Glenn discussed fobbing the restrooms at Noonan Park once the project is completed. 307 Security will be contacted for a quote.

Mayor Claar and Council expressed their gratitude for Elaine Buckmiller, Dan Grace, Chamber of Commerce, Pinnacle Bank, HS students/staff and all those who volunteered in the town wide clean up this year. It was a great success.

Councilman Glenn motioned to move into Executive Session at 7:35 pm to discuss legal issue and land acquisition and Councilman Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

The regular meeting of the council reconvened at 7:58 pm with no action taken.

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Smoot motioned to adjourn at 7:58 pm and Councilman Glenn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Cliff R Claar

ATTEST:

Cheryl Schneider