

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, July 26th, 2023

Town Council Present: Mayor Ben Glenn, Councilmembers Austin Smith, Bob Stewart and Heidi Humpal

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Attorney Pat Carpenter, Police Chief Bill Bryant, Public Works Director Cory Allison, and HDR Engineer Heath Turbiville

Mayor Glenn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call was taken with Councilmember Petersen excused.

Councilmember Stewart motion to approve Consent Agenda items #1 and #2, meeting and workshop minutes, and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Smith motioned to approve July Bill List 4 and 6 and Councilmember Humpal seconded. Mayor Glenn abstained due to conflict of interest. Councilmember Smith, Humpal and Stewart ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Stewart motioned to approve July Bill List 5 and Councilmember Humpal seconded. Councilmember Smith abstained due to conflict of interest. Councilmember Stewart, Humpal and Mayor Glenn ayes, motion carried.

Lyle Austin was present to discuss his ongoing situation with the meters at his apartments on Centennial. The council asked where he was on the project as he has had quite a lengthy timeline to complete this project. Mr. Austin stated he has reached out to several contractors but has not had any luck. He is asking again for leniency. The Council reminded Mr. Austin that he was supposed to keep the town up to date on where he was on finding a contractor and had failed to follow through with doing so and the town had to reach out to him each time. Mayor Glenn stated he would like Mr. Austin to attend the scheduled council meeting on August 9th and, at which time, he must have a time scheduled by a contractor with a start date for when work will begin and what the outline of the plan will look like so he can provide it to the council or the water to the building will be shut off.

Clerk Schneider updated the Council on bid information for the splashpark. She has received the engagement for the audit review from Casey Petersen. The Town is not required to have a single audit this year as they did not receive the required \$750,000 in federal funding. The auditors are scheduled to be in the office August 7th and 8th.

Cory stated Scott Green has been elected to the Wyoming Association Rural Water board and will be attending the national conference in Denver September 25-28th. He is asking to use professional days to attend the conference as the conference is paying for the travel, meals and the rooms. The Council stated since this is continuing education and they conference is paying for all expenses that Scott an use professional leave to attend the conference. Cory stated that due to the heat this week his department will be starting the work day between 4:30 am-5:00 am and leaving around 2:30 pm. Cory stated the fence at Robinson Park had been hit and damaged. It appeared to be around \$3900 in damages. He will include the costs of the repairs to the cost of installation of the fence at the maintenance shop.

Chief Bryant gave the police department report.

Discussion was had on the lighted stop signs. Clerk Schneider stated she could reach out to the City of Gillette to see if they could give her information on where they purchase their signs.

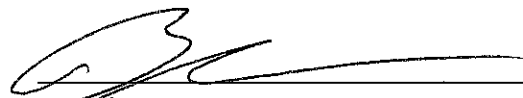
Heath updated Council on the town's projects.

Mayor Glenn stated he had met with Fire Chief Dan Swaney prior to the meeting on the public safety clerk/office clerk position and Dan did not see any changes that needed to be made to the description. Mayor Glenn stated there was some discussion in the workshop on creating a committee to oversee this position to get it off the ground and he would like to add a subcommittee to the personnel committee with the fire chief, ambulance director, and town clerk to be on this committee. Clerk Schneider will have something for the next council meeting. A workshop will be scheduled for next Tuesday, August 1st.

Clerk Schneider read Resolution 9-2023; **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECT ARPA GRANTS APPLICATION TO THE STATE LOAN AND INVESTMENT BOARD ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT FOR THE PURPOSE OF POWDER RIVER AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT – PHASE II**

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve Resolution 9-2023, with the 26% grant match to come from the specific purpose tax funds and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Stewart motioned to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. and Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.



Ben Glenn, Mayor

ATTEST



Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer