

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, August 14th, 2024

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

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Police Chief Bill Bryant, 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 all council present.

Guest Ann Sundstrom spoke to the Council regarding numerous items. Sundstrom thanked the Council for putting a dumpster at the town shop for yard waste, and she asked Council to consider Cody Amende for the open Director of Public Works position. Sundstrom asked the Town to review their water rate and also wanted to publicly thank Councilmembers Petersen and Stewart for their attention to the cemetery and to thank the Police Department and EMS for all they do for their community.

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve the Consent Agenda items 1 & 2, Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve August Bill List #2, Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried with Councilmember Smith abstaining.

Clerk Connally gave clerk department update to Council.

Mayor Glenn asked if anyone had any questions regarding the public works department. Councilmember Stewart asked about dust control during the construction at Coffee Cup. Councilmembers Petersen and Humpal thanked the public works department for their hard work.

Police Chief Bryant updated the Council on the police department. Bryant would like to recommend a conditional offer of employment to Hunter Blaylock for the 4th Officer position.

Councilmember Petersen reminded everyone that the groundbreaking for the Dick Claar Memorial Splash Pad will be August 28, 2024 at 5:00 pm at Noonan Park.

HDR Engineer Turbiville updated the council on multiple projects. **Councilmember Peterson motioned to approve the cost of exterior and main corridor locks at the MTC by Harvey's Locks for \$8244.36, Councilmember Smith 2nd. All ayes, motion carried.**

Fire Chief Holberg updated Council on the fire department. Holberg complimented the Fire Department on their amazing response time to calls and the efficiency to how they handle each situation.

Holberg also gave Council an update on the ongoing remodel of the MTC in the future Town Hall area.

Mayor Glenn moved the New Business item of MIC Land to executive session.

Old Business: Discussion was had regarding the MTC steps. Mayor Glenn stepped out due to a conflict of interest. Mayor Pro-Tem Petersen took over the meeting in his absence. Councilmember Smith advised Council that he contacted approx. 20 different people to get quotes on costs to repair the steps at the MTC. He stated that only 2 got back to him with printed quotes for the work. Black Water Environmental (BWE) quoted \$25,000 with no time frame to start the work and Glenn Construction quoted \$6800.00 and said work could start right away. **Councilmember Humpal motioned to approve Glenn Construction to repair the steps at the MTC going into the main doors of the gymnasium for \$6800.00. Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Councilmember Petersen motioned to go into executive session at 7:43 pm to discuss personnel and land acquisition, Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Regular meeting of the council reconvened at 9:23pm.

Councilmember Petersen motioned to move forward with the sale of Lot 2 up on Little Horn Ave (MTC) to the Moorcroft Interfaith Community (MIC) with the same deed restrictions that applied to Lots 3 & 4, Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

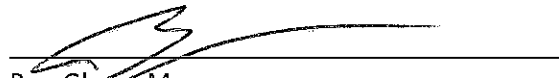
Councilmember Petersen motioned to move forward with the revised agreement with Kaiser-Francis (KFOC) for the sale of water, Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve the purchase of a meter and backflow preventor up to \$11,000. Councilmember Smith seconded, all ayes, motion carried.

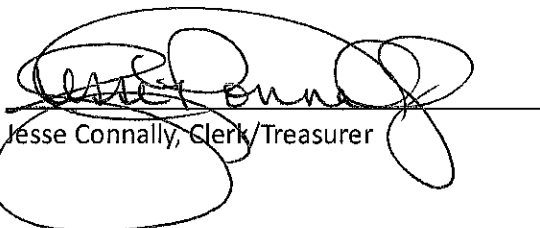
Councilmember Humpal motioned to hire Scott Green as the Director of Public Works effective immediately upon acceptance of the job, with a starting salary of \$56,000.00 a year. Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Smith motioned to offer the open police officer position to Hunter Blaylock, starting September 3rd at \$23.50 an hour, Councilmember Petersen seconded. Councilmembers Petersen, Smith and Mayor Glenn ayes, Councilmembers Humpal and Stewart nays, motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, **Councilmember Stewart motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:28 pm and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**


Ben Glenn, Mayor

ATTEST:


Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer