

TOWN OF MOORCROFT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024

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

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Chief of Police Bill Bryant, and HDR Engineer Heath Turbiville

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

Guest Dan Blakeman requested a variance for the home he is building at the corner of Crook and Powder River. Discussion was had on the request. **Councilmember Humpal motioned to grant Dan Blakeman the requested 7-foot variance on the corner of Crook and Powder River. Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Guest David Crawford requested a variance of 3-foot off of Crook St and 8-foot off of alley for the garage he would like to build on his property. **Councilmember Petersen motioned to grant David Crawford the requested variance and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve consent agenda items 1 & 2. Councilmember Petersen seconded. Councilmember Stewart asked to pull Triple T Services bill from the Bill List for discussion. **Councilmember Petersen withdrew his motion. Councilmember Humpal motioned to approve the minutes and June bill list #4, minus Triple T Services. Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Discussion was had regarding the bill pulled from the bill list. **After discussion, Councilmember Petersen motioned to pay Triple T Services for the cemetery mowing. Councilmember Stewart seconded with improvements in the next mowing. Councilmember Petersen, Stewart and Humpal ayes, Councilmember Smith nay, motion carried.**

Clerk Connally gave the clerks report. Clerk Connally stated that SLIB approved the towns request to lower interest rates on their loans. Clerk Connally recommended that Council approve shortening the loan terms rather than lowering the payment as the loan amounts are already budgeted. **Councilmember Petersen motioned to maintain the current loan amounts at the lower adjusted interest rates. Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Councilmember Stewart motioned to approve Deere Haven's catering permit for July 14, 2024 at Westview Park. Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Connally read Resolution 6-2024 into record:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT DESIGNATING PUBLIC RECORD PERSONS FOR THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT. Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve the resolution with a language change on the title of the Police Department's designee from Police Municipal Clerk to Deputy Clerk. Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Connally stated that the Town received a check from Wyoming Community Gas for their 2023 Community Contribution. Councilmember Petersen wanted to remind the community that this donation comes from the natural gas selection that customers choose during their Choice Gas selection period.

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve Wyoming Community Gas Community Contribution of \$4184.33 to go to the splash pad. Councilmember Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Chief of Police gave the Police department report. Discussion was had on the process of 14 & 30 day junk and weed ordinance violations.

Heath Turbiville, HDR Engineering gave the engineering report. Splash pad pre-bid meeting went well. July 18th is scheduled for bid opening. Mayor was successful in getting funding for the North Little Horn water project.

Brad McKee gave the EMS Report. He thanked Justin Thomas and others who helped with Safety Days. There will be another EMT class this fall if anyone is interested.

Jeff Holberg gave the Fire Report and MTC remodeling update. One quote was received for window installation at the MTC. **Councilmember Smith motioned to approve Woolsey Construction for window installation at the MTC for \$36,141.00. Councilmember Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

New Business: Councilmember Smith motioned to allow J/L Fireworks to sell fireworks from July 1st through July 4th. Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Smith motioned to allow fireworks in town limits from July 2nd through July 5th, with times being from 8am-10pm on the 2nd & 3rd and from 8am – midnight on the 4th & 5th. Councilmember Petersen seconded. Councilmembers Petersen, Smith and Mayor Glenn ayes, Councilmembers Stewart and Humpal opposed, motion carried.

Discussion was had on the repair needed on the MTC steps. **Councilmember Petersen motioned to fix the steps at the Moorcroft Town Center, not to exceed \$7000.00 without prior approval of council. Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Discussion started for the basketball court project at Westview Park. Mayor Glenn and Councilmember Smith stepped out due to a conflict of interest. Councilmember Petersen read 3 quotes that were received for the work on the basketball project. Woolsey Construction - \$64,800.00, Glenn Construction - \$59,100.00 and BRIM LLC - \$54,800.00. **Councilmember Stewart motioned to keep the 3 bids that were received and not accept anymore quotes on the basketball court concrete and dirt work. Councilmember Humpal seconded. Councilmember Stewart and Humpal ayes, Councilmember Petersen nay, motion carried. Councilmember Stewart motioned to table this project until council receives information on the complete cost, including fencing, through the finishing of this project. Councilmember Humpal seconded. Councilmembers Stewart and Humpal ayes, Councilmember Petersen nay, motion carried.**

Councilmember Petersen motioned to move into executive session at 8:10 pm to discuss personnel. Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

The regular meeting of the council reconvened at 8:34 pm, with no action taken.

With no further business to discuss, **Councilmember Petersen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

ATTEST:


Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer


Ben Glenn, Mayor