

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, May 8th, 2024

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

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

Mayor Glenn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. All council was present.

Guests Douglas and Anastasia Bopp were present to discuss the current animal ordinance addressing kennels. They recently purchased the former First Baptist Church and are planning to live there, along with their business of breeding Siberian huskies. Discussion was had on the fees. In the new ordinance, the fees are set by resolution. Chief Bryant will provide them with an application and Clerk Schneider will advertise a public hearing for June 12th, as required by ordinance for discussion. The fees will be set by the next meeting.

Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve the consent agenda and Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Schneider gave the clerk's report. She was asked if it could be advertised to remove the old wreaths and flowers from the cemetery, so it is ready for Memorial Day. She will put notices in the paper and on social media. Attorney Carpenter inquired about the specific purpose tax resolution language. He will change some of the language and get it back to Clerk Schneider.

Councilmember Petersen motioned to allow Mayor Glenn to sign the 1% Spot Tax resolution and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Discussion was had on the salary change for the police officers. **Councilmember Smith motioned to change the following salaries, effective April 24th, 2024: New officer will be \$23.50 per hour, Officer Dawson will be \$25.50 per hour and Officer Curley will be \$27.50 per hour. Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Public Works Director Allison stated the vac truck was repaired and it costs \$8,000. Discussion was had on summer help. Allison will start the process of hiring.

Engineer Turbiville updated the council on the town's projects. He stated the quotes for the lock project will be ready for recommendation at the June 12th council meeting. The splashpad is going through QC and the plans will be ready for review next week.

Chief Bryant updated the council on his department. He stated that Officer Katrina Plum started employment and she introduced herself. His department has started working on the weed and junk ordinance.

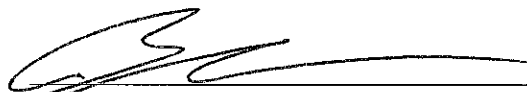
Discussion was had on landfill and a C & D pit. Heath will have the figures ready for the next meeting.

Discussion was had on the two current cleaning contracts. Councilmember Petersen stated he would like to look at hiring a 30 hour position at the MTC and that person could do light maintenance and cleaning during the day. A committee will work on the job description.

Councilmember Petersen motioned to move into executive session at 8:21 p.m. to discuss personnel and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

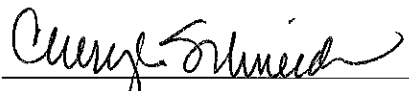
The regular meeting of the council reconvened at 9:27 p.m. **Councilmember Stewart made a motion to accept the letter of retirement from Clerk Cheryl Schneider, effective June 14th, 2024, and Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

With no further business to discuss, **Councilmember Petersen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**



Ben Glenn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer