

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, August 12th, 2026

Town Council Present: Mayor Dale Petersen, Councilmembers Heidi Blakeman, Austin Smith, Dan Blakeman and Robert Stewart.

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Police Chief Bill Bryant, Fire Chief Jeff Holberg, Town Attorneys Pat Carpenter and G. Nolan Thomas, Heath Turbiville, HDR and Noah Messick, HDR

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

Guest Zeta Nuckolls Anderson candidate for House District #1 introduced herself to council and wanted to encourage everyone to vote.

Guest Amanda Critel addressed council regarding the need for stop signs at the intersection of Green River Ave and Campbell St. Chief Bryant will talk to Public Works about installing signs.

Guests Jerry Fischbach and Wayne Johnson, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, addressed the council regarding the upcoming project at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Mayor Petersen advised that due to Ord 20-301 the town will not be able to assist with the project. They asked that the drainage issue in the alley be fixed and advised they would be moving forward with their planned project.

Councilman Stewart excused himself from his council seat to address the Mayor and Council as a guest. Stewart asked Councilman Smith questions regarding a complaint that was made by his neighbors to Smith and asked why they called Smith. Smith advised that he received a complaint and took it to Mayor due to chain of command. Mayor Petersen stated that it was a civil issue and the town would not be getting involved. Councilman Stewart resumed his seat.

Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to remove the hiring of public works from the agenda and move to the September 9th council meeting. Councilman Stewart seconded. Ayes, H. Blakeman, Smith & Stewart ayes, motion carried. Councilman Stewart motioned to amend the agenda to include Appointments 5-2026 3rd amendment under new business. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Stewart motioned to approve consent agenda items #1 & #2; Minutes from Regular Meeting of the Council - July 22nd, 2026; and August Bill List #1. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Stewart motioned to approve consent agenda item #3; August Bill List #2. Councilman Blakeman seconded. Stewart, H. Blakeman, D. Blakeman and Petersen ayes, Smith abstained, motion carried.

Mayor Petersen gave public works department report.

Clerk Connally gave her department report. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to approve requests in letter from West Texas Trails Museum for the upcoming Heritage Round-Up on August 29, 2026. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Chief Bryant gave his department report.

HDR Engineer Turbiville updated the Council on the Town projects. Landfill: Project is continuing well. Pathways: should hear if awarded in October. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to table the well abandonment and North Little Horn street discussion to the August 26th council meeting to look into funding and feasibility of project. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Discussion will be placed on agenda for next meeting. Vac Truck is going through procurement process. Cemetery: revised plats are done and planning commission will look them over.

Jeff Holberg gave the fire report. Mayor and Council thanked all volunteers, Fire & EMS for everything they do.

No EMS report. Councilman Stewart wanted to publicly praise EMS for their phenomenal response time to a recent call and praise their good work.

Council discussed capital projects, still waiting on more quotes to come in for a mower, MTC painting, gym fans, and Councilmen Blakeman and Smith will work on gathering quotes for the garage. Council will wait until next year to seal Town Hall façade. Quotes will be gathered for the floor in the MTC conference room off the library, and for the addition of mini splits in more rooms. Mayor Petersen advised that 3 contractors showed up to the pre-quote meeting to discuss fixing the retaining wall at MTC. Quotes due to Town Hall by 5pm August 24th, 2026. Councilmen Stewart will speak with school about shelter at Westview. Fire pits will be installed soon. Mayor Petersen is awaiting quotes from companies for sprinkler system installation at cemetery. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to seek quotes for a council chamber sound system. Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

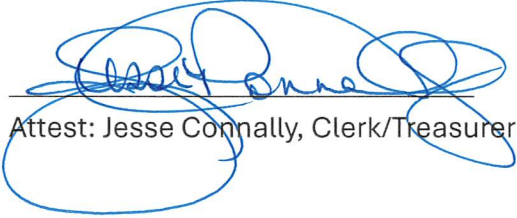
Councilman Blakeman addressed the Council for the Planning Committee in the absence of Committee Chairman Trigg regarding a final plat from Ben Glenn for a resubdivision of lots 1A, 1B & 1C Block 9 of the 5th addition of the Town of Moorcroft. **Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve the final plat. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

New Business: **Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve Resolution 5-2026: Appointments (3rd Amendment). Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Stewart motioned to approve the resignation of Cordell Picerno effective August 7th, 2026. Councilman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

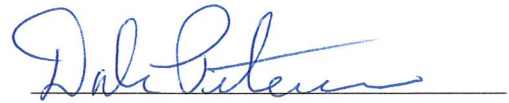
Old Business: **Councilman Stewart motioned to approve third and final reading of Ordinance 7-2026: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 21 SUBDIVISIONS OF LOTS IN ITS ENTIRETY,**

TO THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING. Councilman Blakeman seconded.
All ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Stewart motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:33pm, Councilman Smith
seconded. All ayes, motion carried.



Attest: Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer



Dale Petersen, Mayor