

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, April 8, 2026

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

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Police Chief Bill Bryant, HDR Engineer Noah Messick, Town Attorney Pat Carpenter and Public Works Dave Elliott.

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

Moorcroft Rodeo Club requested relaxation of the open container ordinance for their Sponsor Appreciation Dinner to be held on April 17, 2026. **Councilmember Humpal motioned to approve the Moorcroft Rodeo Club for an open container permit on April 17th from 5pm to 10pm from the drive through to the back porch area (at Tin Cup). Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Clerk Connally advised Mayor and Council of the water heater request from the Senior Center. Dave Elliott will check on the circulation pump at the MTC before costs for an additional water heater are gathered.

Councilmember Stewart motioned to approve consent agenda items #1 & #2; Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Council for Wednesday March 25, 2026 and April Bill list #1. Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Humpal motioned to approve consent agenda item #3; April Bill list #2. Councilmember Humpal and Mayor Petersen ayes, Councilmember Smith abstained. Motion carried.

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve consent agenda item #4; April Bill list #3. Councilmember Smith and Mayor Petersen ayes, Councilmember Humpal abstained. Motion carried.

Public Works Technician Dave Elliott gave his department report. **Councilmember Humpal motioned for Justin Thomas to receive a \$1/hour raise for completing his Department of Ag mosquito spraying licensing. Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Clerk Connally gave her department report.

Chief Bryant gave his department report.

Noah Messick, HDR, gave update on town projects to council. Advertisement for Landfill Closure project will go out next week, pre-bid meeting on April 27th and bid opening will be on May 7th. Water and Sewer maps have been updated.

No Fire report.

No EMS report.

New Business: **Councilmember Smith motioned to approve Resolution 3-2026 List of Fees (Amended). Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Mayor Petersen read and signed a proclamation recognizing April 19-25, 2026 as National Library Week.**

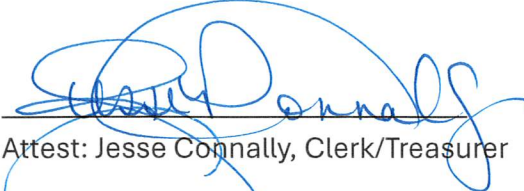
Old Business: **Councilmember Humpal motioned to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance #5-2026: AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO RANGE TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC. RT COMMUNICATIONS, LLC DBA RANGE ON BEHALF OF ITSELF AND ITS OPERATING AFFILIATES ("RANGE") TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ("SYSTEM" OR "THE SYSTEM") IN MOORCROFT, WYOMING ("TOWN" OR "THE TOWN"). Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Discussion was had on sewer line issues on Goshen Street and interpretation of town's sewer ordinances. Councilmember Humpal asked that the topic be tabled until the next meeting due to not having a full council for the discussion. Topic tabled. Discussion was had on bid advertisement for the second phase of the MTC window project. **Councilmember Smith motioned to advertise for the second phase of the MTC window project. Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Attorney Carpenter will write up the advertisement to be sent out the week of April 13th.

Councilmember Smith motioned to go into executive session to discuss personnel at 8:24pm. Councilmember Humpal seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Council moved into executive session at 8:24pm.

The regular meeting of the council reconvened at 8:32pm, with no action taken. With no further business, **Councilmember Humpal motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:32pm, Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**



Dale Petersen, Mayor



Attest: Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer