

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, March 11, 2026

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

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Police Chief Bill Bryant, HDR Engineers Heath Turbiville and Noah Messick and Town Attorney Pat Carpenter.

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

Mayor Petersen presented former Mayor Ben Glenn with a plaque of appreciation from the town council and citizens of Moorcroft for his outstanding leadership and commitment to the Town of Moorcroft for 15 years (11 as Councilman and 4 as Mayor).

Wayne Johnson and Jerry Fischbach spoke with council about a plan to redo the parking lot and sidewalks at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in the future. Mayor Petersen advised Johnson to meet with our Streets and Alleys Commissioners, public works and engineer to look over the area and discuss the planned repairs.

Jason Hendricks with Range was present to discuss Range's franchise agreement with the town. It was decided to discuss this agreement under new business.

Tyler Olson with Spectrum was present to discuss the upcoming fiber project that will be coming through town.

DaNece Day, Crook County and Prosecuting Attorney, was present to introduce herself to council. She also wanted to thank council for the great job that the police department does for the town and how well they work with all agencies. Mayor Petersen welcomed Day and stated that council appreciated the work they do with our police officers and agrees there is a good working relationship.

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve consent agenda items 1, 2, & 3; Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Council Wednesday, February 25th, 2026; Minutes from Special Meeting of the Council Tuesday March 3rd, 2026; and March Bill List #1. Councilmember Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Blakeman motioned to approve consent agenda item 4; March Bill List #2. Councilmember Humpal seconded. Councilmembers Blakeman, Humpal and Mayor Petersen ayes, Councilmember Smith abstained, motion carried.

Mayor Petersen gave update on public works. Water load out is working. Software training on March 12th, should be ready to go after. Customers will need to provide their own 2" hose. Basketball hoop ready to be installed at Westview. Sweeping of streets has started to get some of the sand picked up. Playground equipment has been inspected.

Clerk Connally gave clerks office update. Liquor licenses have been delivered to all licensees.

Chief Bryant gave police department update.

Heath Turbiville, HDR, gave update on town projects to council. Pathways plans are to WYDOT waiting on their review and applications are open. SS4A Connally sent in application for the Governor's Matching Funds grant waiting to hear on if awarded. MRG Clay Sewer replacement application is in for June's MRG grant meeting.

Fire Chief Holberg gave fire department update. New Engine 5 has had issues since delivery. County Fire has been assisting with getting the engine up and running, road ready. New propane flare was used and is working well.

No EMS report.

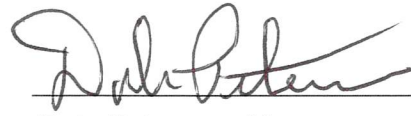
New Business: **Councilmember Smith motioned to approve Ordinance #5-2026 for first reading. Councilmember Blakeman seconded.** Mayor Petersen opened up discussion. Jason Hendricks with Range spoke to council regarding some red-line updates to the franchise agreement. Attorney Carpenter will update the agreement and have it ready for the next council meeting for second reading. **Mayor Petersen called for a vote. All ayes, motion carried.**

Mayor Petersen asked if anyone would be interested in being designated to the SPOT committee. Councilmember Blakeman stated that he would be willing to be on that committee.

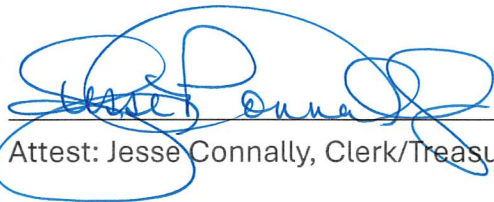
Old Buisness:

Holberg stated that he had numbers for the shelter at the splash pad. Bud Williamson advised Holberg that he would provide the labor to build the shelters at the Splash Pad if the town would provide the materials. Mayor Petersen set a workshop at 6:00pm on March 25, 2026 prior to the next meeting to discuss this.

With no further business, **Councilmember Smith** motioned to adjourn the meeting at **8:02 pm**, **Councilmember Blakeman** seconded. All ayes, motion carried.



Dale Petersen, Mayor



Attest: Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer