Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, September 23, 2026

Town Council Present: Mayor Dale Petersen, Councilmembers Heidi Blakeman, Robert Stewart, Austin Smith and Dan Blakeman.
Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Police Chief Bill Bryant, Heath Turbiville, HDR, Noah Messick, HDR, Fire Chief Jeff Holberg

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

Councilman Stewart motioned amend the agenda to place discussion on Ordinance 20-301 under New Business. Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Guests Angie Peters and Amanda Critel, Moorcroft PAC, were present to request the use of the MTC for their upcoming Halloween Treat Street. **Councilman Stewart motioned to approve the Moorcroft PAC to use the MTC gym from the evening of October 22nd to the afternoon of October 24th, and for the use of the gym basement from October 19th to October 24th for Treat Street and closing the weightroom from October 21st to October 23rd. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to waive the cleaning deposit for treat street. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Guest Pam Jespersen, Moorcroft Senior Center, asked Council what the plan was for the MTC kitchen, and asked if it was usable or if they had plans to get it in working order. Council believes the kitchen is in working order, will check and let the Senior Center know.

Guests Ryan and Brianne East addressed council about teenage safety in town and asked Council to revisit current ordinances and look at adopting new ordinances to assist the town in keeping its citizens safe.

Councilman Stewart motioned to approve consent agenda items 1 & 2; Minutes from Regular Meeting on September 9th, 2026 and September Bill List #3. Councilman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Petersen gave the public works department report.

Clerk Connally gave her department report. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to move $115,000 Homeland Security 287(g) funds from General Fund bank account to WyClass PD - Homeland Security Task Force account. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Blakeman motioned to move donations from Raymond Petersen memorial in the amount of $1,405.00 from General Fund bank**

account to WyClass Cemetery account. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Chief Bryant gave his department report.

HDR Engineer Turbiville updated the Council on town projects. Landfill Closure project is progressing well. Clay Sewer replacement: plan to bid out this winter for spring construction. Vac Truck: pre-bid meeting 9/30/26 at 1pm with bid opening on 10/15/26 at 1pm. Well Abandonment: pre-bid meeting 9/30/26 at 2pm with bid opening on 10/15/2026 at 2pm.

Fire Chief Holberg gave fire department report. Holberg asked Council to see if there was a way to assist the department with $8,000 to help purchase radios.

No EMS report.

New Business: Mayor Petersen opened quotes for the MTC – Side Room off Library Project. Quote #1: 2Guys Deco: $10,121.25: includes painting, subfloor, baseboard and carpet; and Quote #2: CLT Flooring: $8,847.52: includes subfloor and carpet (flooring only) no painting. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to do the room off the library in the amount of $10,121.25 to be paid out of specific purpose funds, contingent upon going over bid specs with the Mayor. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Mayor Petersen open quotes for the flooring and baseboard project in the MTC Lunchroom and Hallways. Quote #1: CLT Flooring: $25,966.74; and Quote #2: 2Guys Deco: $23,303.24. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to approve 2Guys Deco to do the flooring replacement in the lunchroom and hallways to be paid out of specific purpose funds, contingent upon fulfilling all the bid specs with the Mayor. Councilman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Discussion was had on wording of Ordinance 20-301 which covers curb and gutter maintenance. **Councilwoman Humpal motioned to move Ordinance 20-301 to next phase. Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Old Business: Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve Resolution 3-2026: LIST OF FEES amendment. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve Resolution 5-2026: APPOINTMENTS amendment. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve Resolution 11-2026: A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR SUBDIVISION PERMIT, FIRE PROTECTION, DAMAGE DEPOSIT, CORRECTION PLAT, ANNEXATION, AND FINAL PLAT FOR REVIEW. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Capital Projects: **Councilman Blakeman motioned to move forward with advertisement for bids for a police department sally port (garage). Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Mandatory pre-bid meeting October 13th at 3:00pm at Town Hall, bids due to clerks' office by October 26th at 5pm to be opened at the October 28th council meeting. **Councilman Stewart motioned to advertise to seek quotes on shelters for Westview Park. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Quotes due to clerk's office by October 26th at 5pm to be opened at the October 28th council meeting.

Council will have a workshop on September 30th at 9am to discuss updating or adding ordinances and capital projects.

Councilman Smith motioned to move into executive session for personnel and legal purposes. Councilman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Council moved into executive session at 8:39pm.

Council out of executive session at 9:43pm. **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to move the closing date for the advertised Public Works Technician applications due Monday, October 5th, 2026 at 5pm. Councilman Smith seconded. H. Blakeman, Smith, Stewart ayes, D. Blakeman nay, motion passed 3/1.**

Councilman Smith motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:44pm. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Austin Smith, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest: Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer