# TOWN OF MOORCROFT Minutes

# Council Meeting

Monday, August 24, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

**Council Members Present:** Mayor Sproul, Councilman Blakeman, Councilman Mathews and Councilman Glenn.

**Town Employees Present:** Kay Guire, Clerk Treasurer; Jim Peck, Town Attorney and Heath Turbiville, Town of Moorcroft Engineer (HDR)

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m., Mayor Sproul led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Guests:

Peggy Boardman discussed continuing the Bountiful Basket Program using the old school property. Council agreed to continue the drop off site.

Jeremy Ivy asked for a variance for an addition to his property on 121 North Belle Fourche Avenue. Discussion was had on the impact of the variance. Glenn motioned to accept the variance, Blakeman seconded. The motion carried 4/0.

## Cynthia Clonch with

Approval of Consent Agenda: Mathews motioned to approve the consent agenda, Blakeman seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

#### Department Reports:

Clerks Report-Guire stated that Town received a letter from Wyoming Community Gas in regards to the Community Project Distribution in the amount of \$2,746.34. Glenn motioned for the funds to be designated to the Rec Board to use for playground equipment, Blakeman seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Guire stated that approval was needed for overnight travel requests. Mathwes motioned to approve the travel request for Scott and Wick for the Water Training on September 22-24 and for Guire for the WamCat Institute on September 9-11 both in Lander, WY, Blakeman seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Police Department-Chief Lundborg updated the Council on the Police Department, as of September 1 the officers will be working 5 (five) 8 (eight) hour days rather than 4 (four) 10 (ten) hour days. Chief Lundborg will also be attending Hi-vis training in Cheyenne on August 24-26. Chief Lundborg discussed the tornado warning system.

Rec Board-Gave an update that over 40 kids signed up for fall soccer. Mayor Sproul stated that a committee for repurposing the elementary school building was needed. It was discussed that

the Rec Board was already discussing this in great detail and if anyone was interested in helping the next Rec Board meeting is August 26 at 7 p.m. at the Fire Hall.

Engineer Report-Mr. Turbiville gave the Engineer's Report and discussed the pre-construction meeting for the sewer in the alleyway between Big Horn and Yellowstone Avenue.

Public Works-Mathews stated that all interviews have been interviewed for the Public Works Director.

Fire Department-Glenn gave an update that with Rally week they were very busy.

EMS-EMS met with Pinnacle bank to see if they would be interested in extending a Capital Lease for the amount that would need to be financed for a new Ambulance.

Commission/Board-No Report

Attorney's Update-Mr. Peck reviewed Wyoming State Statute in regards to special meetings and public records. He also addressed the tension within Town Hall. He also stated that the Department of Audit would be trying to make some time to assist the town with a State audit.

### Old Business:

Glenn motioned to enter the 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 3-2015-TITLE 25, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 25-602, ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 25-602 OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 25 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 TO INCLUDE SET MONTHLY WATER INVESTMENT FEE AND SET METERED WATER RATES FOR THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING; AND PROVIDIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, Blakeman seconded. The motion carried 4/0

Mathews motioned to enter the 2nd reading of ORDINANCE NO. 4-2015, TITLE 25, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 25-618, ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 25-618 OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 25 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 PERTAINING TO MONTHLY WATER INVESTMENT FEES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Blakeman motioned to enter the 2nd reading of ORDINANCE NO. 5-2015, TITLE 19, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 19-401, ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19-401 OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 19 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 TO INCLUDE AND SET MONTHLY SEWER INVESTMENT FEE AND SET SEWER SERVICE CHARGES FOR COMMERCIAL AND NON-COMMERCIAL PREMISES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE with stated amendment, Mathews Seconded. Motion carried 4/0. It was stated that Stephanie Noyes name needed to be changed to Kay Guire for the final reading.

Glenn motioned to enter the 2nd reading of **ORDINANCE NO. 6-2015, TITLE 19, CHAPTER 4, SECTION 19-411, ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 19-411 OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 19 OF THE** 

CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 PERTAINING TO SEWER INVESTMENT FEES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, Blakeman seconded the motion carried 4/0.

**New Business:** 

The Director of Public works discussion to be held until the end of the meeting.

Guire read aloud the resignation letter from Fred Devish. Mathews motioned to accept the resignation of Devish, Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Glenn motioned to appoint Mathews as the Mayor Pro-tem and to be added to the signature card, Blakeman seconded. Motion carried 3/0 with Mathews abstaining.

Guire stated that Cindy Hubble as Deputy Clerk needed to be added to the signature card. Blakeman motioned the addition, Mathews seconded. Motion carried.

Council discussed that the vacant council seat be advertised for two weeks, accepting letters of intent until August 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.

Council discussed that Mathews represent the Town of Moorcroft for the Landfill Joint Powers Baord.

Blakeman motioned to move into executive session at 9:45 p.m., Glenn seconded. Motion carried.

Executive session was concluded at 10:29.

Mathews motioned to offer Gregg Arnold the position of Public Works Director at \$50,000 a year, Blakeman seconded. Motion carried 3/1.

Elaine Buckmiller thanked everyone for making the Ribfest a successful event and stated a special thanks to the Town Maintenance crew for helping without notification when the trash was full.

Mathews motioned to adjourn the meeting, Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Steve Sproul, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kay Guife, Clerk/Treasurer