

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, August 8, 2016

Town Council Present: Mayor Steve Sproul, Councilmen Owen Mathews, Dick Claar, John Aloisio and Ben Glenn

Town Employees Present: Chief of Police Doug Lundborg, Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Public Works Director Cory Allison, HDR Engineers Heath Turbiville/Nick VanEye, and Attorney Jim Peck

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance being said.

Guest:

Clark Burden, Early Head Start Program Facility Grant Consultant along with Mary Kulger, Assistant Director and Shelly Hagen, Coordinator provided information to the council on the program. Mr. Burden stated they are interested in using up to three classrooms, use of the kitchen and a playground area for the program. The grant application they are applying for is due August 24th. **Councilman Aloisio stated based on the timeline. the Council will develop a Memorandum of Understanding and by the end of the week there will be some agreement for them to go forward with the grant and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion passed 5/0.**

Mandy Gideon, Deer Haven, requested to have an open container behind the building through the end of September for two different dates for a bean bag toss. Council requested to inform Chief Lundborg at least one week prior to the event. **Councilman Claar motioned to approve the two days for open container and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion passed 5/0.**

Larry Ferrell discussed landfill procedures and asked Council about the landfill permit extension.

Trey Aars, AA Mobile Home Park, discussed his concerns with the recent meetings on the investments and base use on mobile home parks. He requests if there is another workshop on this he would like to participate.

Consent Agenda:

Councilman Mathews motioned to approve the consent agenda and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Clerk's Report:

Clerk/Treasurer Schneider stated she received the release of retainage for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer. She received a bill from NEWEDC for \$2,000 for the fact finding expense. Council was in agreement not to participate this year. The amended RV/Mobile Home Park letter will be used to be sent to all mobile home/rv park owners. Schneider requested to attend WAMCAT on Sept. 7th-9th in Douglas. Cost of

training will come out of line item 10-49-510. **Councilman Claar motioned to approve travel and Councilman Aloisio seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0.** Schneider reported the write offs for the past several years that are currently in collections. **Councilman Claar motioned to approve the write off list for \$7024.46 and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion passed 5/0.**

Police Report: Chief Lundborg reported body armour was received. This is paid from grant money. He has received one application although he is not certified. He is still advertising.

Emergency Management Report: Chief Lundborg reported a check has been sent to pay for the solar board.

Rec Board Report: Char Delfino reported that Pinnacle Bank gifted a popcorn machine along with accessories to the recreation board. They will have a planning meeting for indoor soccer.

Engineer's Report:

Heath Turbiville reported the SLIB meeting will be this Thursday, August 11, 2016 to transfer the consensus money. September 15th is the deadline for MRG applications. Heath stated they have surveying and pulling manhole lids off and have discovered some potential problems. HDR will do a cost estimate and bring to the next meeting.

Public Works Department: Director Allison gave the public works report. He reported the bids on trucks and the cost of a new truck verses a used one. Mr. Peck reminded Council of bid process. Councilman Glenn motioned to go to bid and Councilman Mathews seconded. **Councilmen Glenn, Mathews, Aloisio and Claar yay and Mayor Sproul nay. Motion passed 4/1.** Director Allison reported his department will begin tearing down the Moorcroft Town Center wall since school will be starting next week.

Fire Department: No report

EMS Report: Char Delfino reported they will be taking an ambulance to Hulett on Wednesday for Ham & Jam.

Planning Committee: Margaret Lynch asked if the committee could receive all the building permits that are given to Jeff Holberg so they are kept up to date. Clerk Schneider stated we can email Alfred Britton copies of all the building permits that are sold.

Attorney Report: Attorney Peck asked Council if they wanted him to do an addendum on the Moorcroft Town Center playground. Mayor Sproul will get back to Mr. Peck. He reported that he is waiting to hear back from Crook County School District on the building usage. He discussed municipal procedure for interdepartmental loans. Discussion was had on a speeder that has appealed a case.

Old Business:

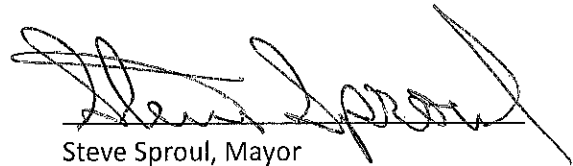
Councilman Claar reported Dell Atkinson recommends that Kyle Gillette go back to the old study for the cost of the windows/electricity/heating and bring back an estimate.

Open Forum: Margaret Lynch stated her complaints personally against Public Works Director Cory Allison. Mr. Peck advised Council and Director Cory Allison that if there is a personnel complaint against an employee directly that normally it is done in executive session unless the employee consents to have it made on public record. Director Cory Allison stated he consented to have the complaints discussed in open session.

New Business: Councilman Glenn motioned to move into executive session at 9:23 p.m. to discuss personnel and Councilman Mathews seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Regular council meeting was called back into session at 9:43 p.m. Mr. Peck stated the letter of complaint was against a public official and that public official requested that the matter be addressed in open meeting. Mayor Sproul authorized the complaint against him be read aloud and discussed publically. Mr. Peck asked to have the clerk read the letter. Clerk Schneider read the letter of complaint from Public Works Director Cory Allison aloud. Mayor Sproul stated there was no truth to the allegations.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.



Steve Sproul, Mayor

Attest:



Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer