

Town of Moorcroft
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, January 8th, 2018
7:00 p.m.

Town Council Present: Mayor Steve Sproul, Councilman Dick Claar, Owen Mathews, Paul Smoot and Ben Glenn

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

Mayor Steve Sproul called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Guests:

Representative Tyler Lindholm attended the meeting to discuss the upcoming events in legislation. He stated legislation is going into the budget session for 2018. The general overview is that things are a little better than they were last year in Wyoming. Tyler discussed the financial capital gains and other taxes. He stated the lodging tax and tobacco tax are favored to increase. He feels like the tobacco tax will be a pretty hard hit for Wyoming due to the fact that many come from South Dakota to purchase for cheaper costs. He stated grocery tax could be back for the local option and could be more stable revenue for local towns. He feels like the funding for the towns for \$105 million will still be in place for the municipalities. Taxing on wind power was also discussed. Tyler discussed the amount of businesses are registered in Wyoming. He stated one of his bills is the block train technology. Landfill issues were also discussed. Council expressed their gratitude for what Tyler does for Wyoming and for attending the meeting.

Councilman Claar motioned to approve January Bill List 1 and Councilman Mathews seconded.

Councilman Smoot asked if the Public Works department could be trained to do some of the general maintenance work. **Motion carried 5/0.**

Councilman Mathews motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Councilman Claar seconded.

Motion carried 5/0.

Clerk Schneider gave the clerk's report. Schneider stated she had an RFP for \$3,000 from Robert Zabel for the appraisal of the green space. Discussion was had on the area that needs to be appraised and contacting other appraisers for costs. Clerk Schneider asked who would be attending WAM.

Councilmen Smoot and Claar stated they will be attending along with Clerk Schneider and Deputy Clerk Clark. The public hearing for the liquor license renewal is scheduled for January 22nd, 2018 at 7:15 p.m.

Clerk Schneider asked about the appointments. Mayor Sproul would like to wait until the next meeting.

Attorney Peck stated that the judge would need to be appointed before the next meeting as he has court on Thursday.

Councilman Claar appointed Patrick Crow as Municipal Judge and Councilman

Smoot seconded. Motion carried 5/0. Clerk discussed the Resolutions to be approved. **Councilman**

Mathews motioned to approve Resolution 1, 2018 for Closures and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion carried 5/0. Councilman Mathews motioned to approve Resolution 2, 2018 List of Fees and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion carried 5/0. Clerk Schneider gave the Treasurers report.

Police Chief Doug Lundborg provided his year-end report electronically to the council. He asked the council for input from the report. He stated he signed two MOU for Family Health and Northeast Mental Health. Chief Lundborg requested to go into executive session for personnel.

Councilman Claar motioned to go into executive session for personnel reasons at 8:15 p.m. and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:38 p.m. No action was taken.

Nancy Feehan gave the rec report.

Heath gave the Engineer's report. Discussion was had on the contract amendment No. 1 Task Order 10 Heath stated it is a miscellaneous contract. Heath will send it to Attorney Peck to review. **Councilman Mathews motioned to approve Amendment No. 1 Task Order 10 and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion carried 5/0.** Heath stated the Town received the one year landfill expansion.

Public Works stated there was a water leak last Thursday. Discussion was had on the plowing and sanding the streets. Cory stated there is a water class on January 17th and he is planning on sending someone. Discussion was had on the selling of surplus such as equipment and vehicles.

Councilman Glenn gave the fire department report.

Attorney Peck read Ordinance 1-2018 - 1st reading into record.

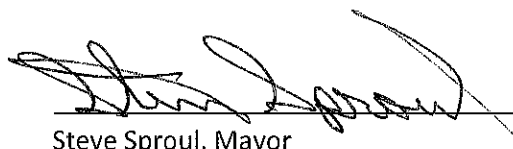
ORDINANCE 1-2018, ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-305 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING, 1979 TO SET REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY AT 7:00 P.M. ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH OR IF THE REGULAR MEETING IS A LEGAL HOLIDAY THEN AT 7:00 P.M. ON THE NEXT FOLLOWING BUSINESS DAY WHICH IS NOT A LEGAL HOLIDAY; ESTABLISH THAT MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL BE HELD IN THE TOWN'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES UNLESS OTHERWISE DETERMINED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Smoot shared his concern on whether there will be enough time to get all the information and be engaged. **Councilman Claar motioned to accept on 1st reading Ordinance 1-2018 and Councilman Glenn seconded. Councilmen Claar, Mathews, Glenn and Mayor Sproul yay and Councilman Smoot nay. Motion carried 4/1.**

Old Business: Councilman Mathews discussed the outcome of the workshop on December 28th where discussion on investment fees and consolidating the investment fees into the base rate. The shut off and turn on fees would be \$50 for each unless it was maintenance reasons and it would be \$25. Discussion was also had on building in a small cost adjustment annually for inflation.

A council retreat was scheduled for Saturday, February 17th at 8:00 a.m.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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Steve Sproul, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer