

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, August 28, 2017

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

Town Employees Present: Clerk/Schneider Cheryl Schneider, Clerk Jodi Clark, Public Works Director Cory Allison and HDR Engineers Heath Turbiville and Nick VanWhyhe **Absent:** Attorney Jim Peck and Police Chief Doug Lundborg

Guests:

Jane West, Moorcroft Senior Citizen, was present to discuss adjusting the water bill at the new senior citizen building. At this time, there is no usage as there are no fixtures in the building. Discussion was had on the contractors turning the water on and off, which is not allowed by Ordinance. The Town will do a 5 day read and pick up the garbage can.

Cynthia Clonch, Texas Trails Museum, requested relaxing the open container for the 8th Annual Heritage Roundup on September 9th from 4-9 pm. Liquor will be served and not sold. They would also be using a firepit with a grate over the top and to block of the street from the alley during the event. **Councilman Mathews motioned to allow the fire pit, to close the street from 3 pm – 9 pm and to relax the open container from 4 -9 pm on September 9th and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion carried 5/0.**

Rhett Albers, Albers and Associates presented to Council information on his company on the process of garbage collection and shredding and grinding garbage. He has extensive knowledge of disposal of garbage and has over 20 years of experience. They have extended the life of the landfill in the places they currently operating. Councilman Mathews requested a detailed proposal for the council. Mr. Albers will work on getting information put together for the council.

Mayor Sproul left the meeting at 8:22 p.m. and returned at 8:24 p.m.

Discussion was had on the September Bill List 1. The cleaning check for the contracted cleaning at the Town and Fire Hall has been paid in advance and was listed twice. **Councilman Mathews motioned to pull the September bill for contract cleaning off the bill list and Councilman Claar seconded. Motioned carried 5/0. Councilman Mathews motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion carried 5/0.**

Clerk Schneider gave the Clerk's report. Jodi Clark was introduced to the Council. She has filled the position of the part time clerk at the Town Hall. Clerk Schneider discussed the service agreement with Casey Peterson and Associates for the 2016/17 audit review. **Council Mathews motioned to accept the agreement and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion carried 5/0.** Clerk Schneider stated she had sent out letters to the contractors regarding the landfill closure to outside entities other than town residents. Discussion was had

that the garbage costs could be increased by \$5.00 or \$6.00 per resident. Clerk Schneider read the police report for Chief Lundborg.

Nancy Feehan gave the rec board report.

Heath Turbiville recapped what was discussed at the Powder River project workshop. Director Allison stated they were able to jet through it. He will schedule a camera next week.

Director Allison stated they are still waiting for contractors for the water tanks. He also stated he is still working on the sprinkler systems. Due to being over budget on the West View Park sprinkler system, he has put the one at Texas Trail on hold until next year. He is currently working with Jerry Fischbach and his Industrial Arts class on building cover shelters over the picnic tables at Texas Trail and West View parks. Mr. Fischbach's class will provide the free labor and the Town will supply the materials for the project

There was no Fire/EMS report.

Discussion was had on some of the building permits. Clerk Schneider will contact Jeff Holberg to ask if he could drop off the approved permits in the night drop box. He will still be contacted by phone.

Mayor Sproul discussed the finance committee. The bill list will be listed separately from the Consent Agenda for discussion and changes, if needed.


Old Business: Discussion was had on the Town having a yard waste site in the future. The purchase of chipper would be beneficial to shred yard waste and be recycled.

Open Forum: Discussion was had for spraying for mosquitos. Director Allison stated they have been spraying and anticipates spraying at 6 am this week and next week.

Councilman Glenn motioned to go into executive session for personnel reasons at 9:20 p.m. and Councilman Mathews seconded. Councilmen Mathews, Claar and Glenn yay and Councilman Smoot and Mayor Sproul nay. Motion carried 3/2.

The regular meeting of the council reconvened at 9:26 p.m. with no action taken.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Steve Sproul, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer