

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, March 13TH, 2017

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

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

Mayor Sproul called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance being said.

Guests: Thomas Ford was not present.

Mark Broderson, CCSD Superintendent, was present to discuss corrections on the latest revised lease agreement for the MTC use by the school district. He pointed out two corrections that he would like changed. Under term 2, he recommended that the term go back to 2020 year and the payment term be changed from May 1, 2017 to July 1, 2017 for budgetary reasons. Mayor Sproul would like Mr. Peck to review the lease agreement and get back to council. Council expressed their interest in a good collaboration with the school district and the town.

Raesha Sell, Crook County Natural Resource District, presented information on electronic recycling and the cost of participating in this event. The event was hosted last year in Sundance and was a good turn out with 71 residents participating. The first 100 lbs would be free and after that the fee would be approximately 55 cents per lb with a site being set up in Moorcroft for residents to dispose of their electronics. She will check with Pine Haven to see if they will participate and let the town know. The tentative date would be April 22nd, which is Earth Day. Clerk Schneider will add Raesha to the next council meeting.

Kathy Cluff, Prevention Management of Wyoming, was present to ask for a commitment for funding for the TIPS training. She explained the program and that the training is provided to alcohol servers at local establishments. She will submit an invoice once she has visited the remainder of the county. The Council was in favor of supporting this program.

Mayor Sproul stated the finance committee met over the weekend and went over March Bill List 1. The committee had a question on the bill for Cranston Electric and how it was charged out. Cory explained the fees include both vehicle and service charges.

Councilman Mathews motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Councilman Claar seconded the motion. Motion passed 5/0.

Clerk Schneider gave the clerk's report.

Nancy Feehan gave the rec report. She stated the Easter Bunny will be present at the MTC on April 15th. There will be a bake sale at the bank on Good Friday and there will be a breakfast and all funds will go toward the fence at the ball field.

Heath Turbiville reported on the Goshen street project. There will be a public meeting on Monday, March 27th at 6:30 prior to the council meeting for the SRF loans.

Cory Allison gave the public works report.

Councilman Glenn gave the Fire and EMS report.

Attorney Peck gave the attorney's report. He reported he had two Ordinances, 3rd readings, to be read into the record:

ORDINANCE 1-2017 TITLE 1 CHAPTER 3 SECTION 1-303 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 1-303 OF CHAPTER 3, TITLE 1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 PERTAINING TO COMMENCEMENT OF TERM OF OFFICE OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL. Councilman Glenn motion to approve Ordinance 1-2017 and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

ORDINANCE 2-2017 TITLE 3, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 3-102(B) AND ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-102 (B) OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 3 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 TO DECREASE THE ANNUAL LIQUOR LICENSE FEE FOR LIMITED RETAIL-CLUB FROM \$1,500 TO \$500. Councilman Mathews motioned to approve Ordinance 2-2017 and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Discussion was had on the PREC franchise fee. Jeff Baumgartner was present and discussed the franchise fees. Attorney Peck read into record **ORDINANCE 3-2017 1ST READING, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO POWDER RIVER ENERGY CORPORATION TO CONSTRUCT, ACQUIRE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN AN ELECTRIC SYSTEM IN THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING AND TO FURNISH ELECTRICITY TO THE TOWN AND THE INHABITANTS THEREOF, AND TO USE THE STREETS, ROADS, ALLEYS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE TOWN; LENGTH OF FRANCHISE; FRANCHISE FEE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** PREC Franchise with the changes to subsection 2g and the amendment of all electric sales in town increasing the franchise fees. **Councilman Mathews motioned to approve and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion passed 5/0.**

ORDINANCE 4-2017 standing committees will be given to the council to review and discussed at the next meeting.

The VCN proposal was discussed and a third proposal will sent to Mr. Peck.


Old Business:

Discussion was had on the sewer/water fees for RV parks and changing the enterprise fees to be charged to any camper at a RV park after 30 days and the length to 50'. The park owner would then be responsible to tell the Town when someone is there longer than 30 days. Due to conflict of interest, Councilman Smoot excused himself from the council and stepped down to speak as a citizen. Mayor Sproul requested the council to send their thoughts to Mr. Peck on how they would like to proceed with the Ordinance.

New Business:


Councilman Claar reported Brandi Harlow, Wyoming Business Council, was present at the workshop on Friday. She stated what was required for the Planning Grant and the deadlines. Councilman Mathews motioned to proceed ahead with the Planning Grant and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 p.m.



Steve Sproul, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer