Town of Moorcroft Regular Meeting of the Council Monday, July 10th, 2017

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

Absent: Mayor Steve Sproul

Town Employees Present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Officer Bill Bryant, Attorney Jim Peck, HDR

Engineers Heath Turbiville and Nick VanWyhe

Absent: Public Works Director Cory Allison and Chief Doug Lundborg

Mayor Pro Tem Paul Smoot called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance being said.

Guests:

Mandy Gideon, Deere Haven, requested permission to host a bean bag toss event three or four times through the end of September. Councilman Claar motioned to approve the event and outside dispensing area providing the police department will be given the dates and plenty of notice and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Bob Dobson requested a variance to not pay the water and sewer investments fees for a vacant house he has in town. Council explained the investment fees pay for the infrastructure of the water and the base rate pays for the operation as the Ordinance states.

Consent Agenda:

Councilman Claar motioned to pull Choice Mine and Industries off the bill list and to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried. 4/0.

Clerk Schneider discussed that she had not received sealed bids for the police car. Bid notice will be readvertised and will be opened at the August 14th council meeting. Councilman Claar motioned to readvertise to accept bids for a police car without trade in and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0. Discussion was had on the selling surplus equipment the town has. Councilman Claar motioned to have a list prepared from each department head for items from their department by August 10th and Councilman Mathews seconded. Motion carried 4/0. Clerk Schneider stated there was a correction from June 26th council meeting minutes which stated Councilman Glenn motioned to approve a Deere Haven to cater and also stated Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion was actually seconded by Councilman Mathews.

Officer Bill Bryant reported Jubliee went good and stated four tobacco compliances were performed and all passed.

Nancy Feehan stated the functions at the MTC went good.

Heath Turbiville reported on the letter received from EPA on the water system. Discussion was had on the violations, repairs and safety walkway. **Councilman Claar motioned to contract Engineering America**,

manufacturing of the tank, to do the safety walkway, not to exceed \$10,000 and to take from the 3rd Specific fund and to require a performance and payment bond. Motion carried 4/0. Councilman Mathews updated the Council on the last Solid Waste Joint Powers Board. Councilman Claar motioned to have Councilman Mathew draft a letter requesting the next meeting to be in Moorcroft to discuss the future of the Moorcroft Landfill and sign on behalf of the Council and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Councilman Glenn gave the fire department report. Dorothy Baron, Moorcroft EMT, reported on the EMS department.

Attorney Jim Peck read into record ORDINANCE 9-2017, AMENDING 3-201 OF CHAPTER 2, TITLE 3 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 TO ESTABLISH HOURS FOR DISPENSING ALCOHOLIC AND MALT BEVERAGES BY LICENSEES AND PERMITTEES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Claar motion to accept 1st Reading of Ordinance 9-2017 and Councilman Glenn seconded.

Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion was had on the timeline the checks being signed. Councilman Claar motioned that after 24 hours and the Mayor has been contacted and is not available to sign the checks that the Mayor Pro Tem will sign the checks and Councilman Mathews seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion was had on the limit on the amount a department could spend before it needed the Council's preapproval. Councilman Claar motioned to raise the limit to \$1,000 for departments to purchase without Council's preapproval. Amounts over \$1,000 would take Council's preapproval and the line item in the budget it would come from. Councilman Mathews seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Councilman Claar motioned to have the Department Heads put together a two year capital expense list by January 1, 2018 and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Open Forum: Nancy Feehan stated there is a Farmer's Market beginning Saturday, July 15th, 2017 at the MTC. Discussion was had on whether a vendor's permit is required. **Councilman Mathews motioned to waive the vendor's fee and Councilman Claar seconded. Motion carried 4/0.**

Mary Lou Peterson was present to follow up on what is being done with enforcing the junk ordinance.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Paul Smoot, Mayor Pro Tem

Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer