## Town of Moorcroft Regular Meeting of the Council Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Town Council Present:** Mayor Dick Claar, Councilmen Owen Mathews, Dale Petersen, Paul Smoot and Ben Glenn

**Town Employees Present:** Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Officer Bill Bryant, Attorney Jim Peck, Public Works Director Cory Allison and HDR Engineer Heath Turbiville

Mayor Dick Claar called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Bobbi Jo Bass was present to discuss some issues concerning her grandfather's grave at the cemetery as well as rocking the plot and adding edging. Cory will look in to the issues and approve the edging and rock.

Mike Howell, Bo Secrest, and Scott Wilson, representatives from Black Hills Energy were present to discuss the ongoing issues with their contractors' work within the Town of Moorcroft and customer's yards while replacing gas lines. Several citizens were present and discussed their concerns. Mike Howell expressed his apologies on behalf of Black Hills Energy and explained the proper protocol is to contact homeowners prior to work being done on their properties. The time line for the work to be completed is 3-4 weeks, weather permitting. They will communicate with Cory bi-weekly, by email, to update where they are on the project and to filter any issues that might be happening and fix any problems that have happened so far.

Monty Reichenberg was present to request a room to be used at the MTC for a 90 day food supply at the MTC. There are a couple of choices of rooms that could be used for temporary storage. Cory will look at locks on the door for the room that is used.

Councilman Smoot motioned to approve Consent Agenda and May Bill List 3 striking the 4 WyoStar since they are transfers and Council Mathews seconded. Motion carried 5/0. Councilman Smoot motioned to approve May Bill List 4 and Councilman Mathews seconded. Councilman Glenn abstained for conflict of interest. Motion carried 4/0.

Clerk Schneider stated she received the letter of engagement from Casey Peterson for the 2018 audit review. She recommends the town move forward with the review. Councilman Glenn motioned to approve the letter of engagement for the 2018 audit review from Casey Peterson and Councilman Smoot seconded.

Motion carried 5/0. Clerk Schneider read the letter of resignation from Bobbi Jo Bass from the cleaning position at the MTC effective June 30, 2019. The contract will be advertised in the paper June 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Bids will be accepted until June 17<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Clerk Schneider stated there have been several questions on when the landfill will be open on Saturdays. Discussion was had. The landfill will open on Saturdays beginning Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and will be open every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 9 am until noon.

Discussion was had on the bid for the police vehicle. Councilman Glenn motioned to accept the bid for the Durango V6 for \$29,060 without a trade and Councilman Smoot seconded. Councilmen Glenn, Smoot and Mathews yay. Councilman Petersen and Mayor Claar nay. Motion carried 3/2. Further discussion was had on the Impala and trading in verses declaring as surplus. Councilman Glenn motioned to offer the trade in for the Impala for a minimum of \$1500 for the purchase of the Durango V6 for \$29,060 and Councilman

**Smoot seconded. Motion carried 5/0.** If the seller does not accept the trade in, the Town will go with the first motion.

Nancy Feehan, MTC chairperson, reported she has shown some members of the Moorcroft Senior Citizens some of the rooms at the MTC. Community Garden boxes are available for \$25 and have been selling. The committee is working on ideas for getting rooms ready for businesses.

Cory Allison stated they have put in the hydrants the Bountiful subdivision. Discussion was had on the contractor working on remodeling at Subway. The contractor is required to have a contractor's license and Cory will contact the contractor to let them know to purchase one.

Heath Turbiville gave the Engineer's report. He will be attending the SLIB meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup> along with Mayor Claar. Clerk Schneider discussed the Ordinances on water and sewer and the annual 2% increase.

**Resolution 6-2019**, designating a Person for Public Record, was presented. Cheryl Schneider will be the designated person for the Clerk/Treasurer's office, Jesse Connally will be the designated for the police department and Fred Devish will be for the Fire Department. **Councilman Glenn motion to approve Resolution 6-2019** and **Councilman Smoot seconded**. **Motion carried 5/0**.

Attorney Peck discussed the properties adjacent to the town hall. Councilman Petersen motioned to authorize Attorney Peck to contact the bank that has the two buildings between the Town Hall and the Senior Citizen building and to get the deed sent to the Town and to move forward as soon as possible and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion carried 5/0.

Council discussed the VFW building. The representative was not present tonight. Councilman Mathews motioned to accept the VFW building as discussed at the last council meeting and to notify the VFW representative and Councilman Smoot seconded. Councilman Claar will contact Pete Quinnell. Motion carried 5/0.

Discussion was had on the access road at the school. There was not a representative at the meeting from Nelson Engineering present. Mayor Claar stated he will contact Nelson Engineering to assure someone will come to the next meeting for further discussion as requested by the Council.

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With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 pm.

ATTEST:

Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer