Town of Moorcroft Regular Meeting of the Council Monday, April 13th, 2020

Town Council Present: Mayor Dick Claar, Councilmen Ben Glenn, Dale Petersen and Paul Smoot. **Town Representatives Present:** Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider and HDR Engineer Heath Turbiville

Mayor Claar called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance being said.

Councilman Glenn motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Councilman Petersen seconded. Discussion was had on the MG gas bill. Councilman Petersen corrected the minutes from the last meeting should have read COVID 19 not COVID 15. Motion carried 4/0.

Clerk Schneider updated cancel with the clerk's report and gave the Treasurer's Report. Mayor Claar gave the Public Works report.

Bids on the VFW property were opened at 7:30 pm. One bid was received for the VFW property. The bid received was from Clay Massie for \$20,000. Councilman Petersen motioned to reject the bid and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Heath presented Work Change Directive No# 1 on the Powder River Water Main Phase I to simplify connection existing water mains and replace additional fire hydrant and to stub out water line to be installed. Councilman Petersen motioned to accept Change Directive No#1 and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion carried 4/0. Heath and Cheryl discussed the lagoon. Cheryl has gone over the finances with the new figures on the project and the information on the USDA grant/loan. Discussion was had on the cost of the contractor's mobilization costs. Heath will contact the contractor on Tuesday to discuss the costs. Clerk Schneider stated she would need to add to the motion to open a reserve account which she will do through WyoStar. Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the bid from RCS for the lagoon project for \$3,450,370.97 contingent on the discussion with RCS and USDA and to approve the WyoStar lagoon reserve account and Councilman Smoot seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion was had on the request by the Moorcroft senior citizen center for a carport to be installed at the MTC in the area of the senior citizen room. A building permit will be completed and reviewed by both Cory and Jeff Holberg, building inspector. Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the installation of the carport at the MTC, after inspection and to no cost to the Town, and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Mayor Claar stated he was approached by the Senior Citizen Center requesting to put an electronic sign on the corner of the MTC lawn on S. Belle Fourche and Converse. He stated Cory gave him a cost estimate of \$2000 for the electrical if it was done completely by the electrician or \$1000 if the public works did the dirt work. Discussion was had on the tree removal and the liability that would be needed. Councilman Glenn motioned to allow the electronic sign be placed at the MTC designated area, with Neal Gray and Dan Grace removing the tree after signing a liability waiver, and the public works department will ditch it and put the conduit in and the cost not to exceed \$1,000 to come from specific purpose tax and Paul Smoot seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Clerk Schneider presented the Joint Resolution for the 1% Specific Purpose Tax. Councilman Petersen motioned to approve Resolution 7-2020; A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSITIONS TO IMPOSE THE 1% SPECIFIC PURPOSE SALES AND USE TAX IN CROOK COUNTY, STATE OF WYOMING, FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF FUNDING SPECIFIC PURPOSES FOR SPECIFIC AMOUNTS; THE PROPOSITION TO BE VOTED ON AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020 and Councilman Glenn seconded. Motion carried 4/0.

Discussion was had on the quote from Collins and the fire alarm monitoring. The quote will be tabled until next meeting when Cory will be available to discuss the issue.

Discussion was had on the police interviews that are scheduled on April 24th. Councilman Glenn and Councilman Smoot volunteered to be on the committee.

With no further business to discuss, Councilman Glenn motioned to adjourn and Councilman Smoot seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

Dick Claar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cheryl Schmeider, Clerk/Treasurer