Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, June 28th, 2021

Town Council Present: Mayor Pro Tem Ben Glenn, Councilmen Austin Smith and Dale Petersen
Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Chief Bill Bryant and Engineers Heath Turbiville and Jeron Smith

Mayor Pro Tem Glenn called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the Consent Agenda and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Katie Allen, Crook County Prevention Specialist, was present to discuss the services that are offered. She offered signage for the Town's parks and public building to be posted if the Town is interested at no charge.

Elise Buhler, ERAP representative, was present to discuss the services ERAP offers in helping residents with rent and utilities assistance. She requested permission to waive late fees for those applications she has submitted for residents who qualify for the assistance. She stated the payments would come directly to the town for those applicants that are approved; however it could take up to 6-8 weeks. **Councilman Petersen motioned to waive the late fees for those residents who have filed and to submit proof of application in writing to the clerk's office and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Charlene Huckins and Susan Millard, Jubilee Committee, were present to request closures and discuss the upcoming Jubilee. Discussion was had on the tents being set up in the lawn and possibly marking them for future use. Council stated they would let the public works department know to assist in marking the areas to avoid damage to the sprinkler system. Open container was discussed and relaxing of the Ordinance. **Councilman Smith motioned to relax the open container Ordinance from 8 am Saturday, July 10th, 2021 to 6 am Sunday, July 11th, 2021 and Councilman Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Discussion was had on road closures. Councilman Petersen motioned to close Robinson Road on Friday, July 9th from 4 pm – 10 pm and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Smith motioned to close Goshen from 7 am to 12 pm for the parade line up and Councilman Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilman Petersen motioned to close Converse alley to alley after the parade and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Susan asked about the trees that died along Big Horn and if more could be planted. Councilman Glenn stated he will do some research on the watering if trees are planted. Discussion was had on the vendor's permits. **Councilman Smith motioned to approve charging $25 for both days for the vendor's permits during Jubilee and Councilman Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Heidi Humpal was present to request a variance for waiving deposits on the three rentals that she just purchased. Discussion was had on the Ordinance and the purpose of the deposit. Councilman Petersen stated he would like to table this until further discussion can be had.

Mandi Gideon, Deere Haven owner, was present to discuss a variance to the Ordinance to be allowed to have the bar opened from 6 am to 2 am on Sundays. **Councilman Smith motioned to allow a variance for liquor license holders to change their hours of operations to 6 am to 2 am, Sunday through Monday and Councilman Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Clerk Schneider reported the requirements for the ARPA were met and the first half of the funds should be deposited electronically this week. She will deposit into a WyoStar account to hold until used. Rural Community Consultants will be here on July 7th to meet with the council at 5 pm to answer any questions and to give a summary of the plan for the feasibility and community development grant. The group will also be setting up a tent at the Texas Trails museum during Jubilee. A survey is set up on the town's website as well as will be at several locations for residents to complete. The results will go directly to the consultants and results will be given to the Council and committee after the process is completed.

Heath Turbiville stated the grant application is available for through WyoDot for pathways. Clerk Schneider is planning to work with Heath to complete the application. **Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the WyoDot grant application to be submitted with a 25% grant match, to be later determined where to take the match from, and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Jeron Smith reported the lagoon project is almost at completion.

Clerk Schneider presented two Ordinances for approval:

ORDINANCE 1-2021: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022:

Councilman Petersen motioned to approve Ordinance 1-2021 on 3rd reading and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
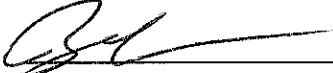
ORDINANCE 2-2021: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING IN ITS ENTIRETY SECTIONS 13 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT AND ADOPTING A NUISANCE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM TO PROMOTE, PROTECT AND IMPROVE THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF ALL CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MOOCROFT AND TO AID IN THE RESOLUTION OF COMPLAINTS THROUGH THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE TOWN'S NUISANCE CODES:

Councilman Petersen motion to approve Ordinance 2-2021 on 3rd reading and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Schneider presented **Resolution 4-2021**, amending the 2020-21 Budget Ordinance for approval as presented. **Councilman Petersen motioned to approve Resolution 4-2021 as presented and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Discussion was had on fireworks. **Councilman Petersen motioned to ban the selling or use of fireworks within the Town of Moorcroft and Mayor Pro tem Glenn seconded. Councilman Petersen and Mayor Pro Tem Glenn yay, Councilman Smith nay. Motion carried.**

With no further business to discuss, **Mayor Pro Tem motioned to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Ben Glenn, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer