

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, March 8, 2021

Town Council Present: Mayor Dick Claar, Councilmen Ben Glenn, Austin Smith and Dale Petersen
Absent: Councilman Paul Smoot

Town Employees Present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Attorney Pat Carpenter, HDR Engineers Heath Turbiville and Jeron Smith

Mayor Claar 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 Glenn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Monte Reichenberg, Moorcroft Interfaith Community, was present to discuss the placement of the freezers for the food banks at the MTC. Discussion was had on the concrete pad for the freezers. Cory will oversee the measurement of the concrete pad. **Councilman Petersen motioned to approve the location of the concrete pad for the freezers for the food bank at the MTC as long as it meets the Town's standards and Councilman Smith seconded. Councilman Glenn abstained. Motion carried.**

Matt Wood and Neal Gray were present to discuss subdividing the property on the corner of Big Horn and Goshen for the location of a new business. There is a concern on how to divide the water and sewer and where the meters are located. Attorney Carpenter advised to have the owner and prospective buyer draw up a formal resubdivision and to submit the unpreliminary plans to the Town Planning Committee for review to answer the questions such as water and sewer.

Discussion was had on the properties north of Town Hall.

Jessica Schnabel and Char Delfino were present to discuss the recent repairs to both ambulances. Costs were discussed and adding service contracts to both of the vehicles. Clerk Schneider provided the Council with the price quotes for the repairs verses what the cost of the annual service contracts. Clerk Schneider will contact Stryker to get the actual contracts as well as the warranty that was provided at the initial purchase and provide to the Council for further review. Clerk Schneider stated if the service contract was purchased that this amount will need to be budgeted in for both vehicles each fiscal year.

Clerk Schneider stated there were three firms that were interviewed and each presented proposals for the feasibility/community development study. The Town received an grant for these studies earlier in the year. Those firms were Interstate Engineering, HDR Engineering and Rural Community Consultants. The committee expressed their appreciation for the presentations and although their qualifications were all excellent, the committee recommended Rural Community Consultants for the project. Discussion was had. **Councilman Petersen motioned to accept the committee's recommendation to hire Rural Community Consultants for the project, not to exceed \$47,000 and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Clerk Schneider stated Scott Green recently obtained his water license, effective February 18th, 2021 and inquired about the \$1.00 per hour increase for obtaining the license. **Councilman Glenn motioned to increase Scott Green's salary by \$1.00, effective February 18th, 2021, and Councilman Smith seconded. Motion carried 4/0.** Clerk Schneider discussed the area by the MTC that is owned by the school district and future development with grants. She has been in contact with the school superintendent regarding a MOU for the Town to utilize the area and asked for Council approval to move forward so she can search for grants. **Councilman Petersen motioned to approve Attorney Carpenter to draft a proposal and Councilman Glenn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.** Clerk Schneider stated there was a request for a commercial garbage can by a resident. After discussing with Public Works Director Cory Allison, the concern is regarding snow removal and moving cans to the curbs or being left on the sidewalks. Chief Bryant also discussed his concern allowing the commercial cans in residential areas. At this time, commercial cans are designated for businesses only. This will be further discussed as the Town Code book is beginning the process of updating and Ordinances will be revised which could affect residents that are using commercial cans. Clerk Schneider stated customers are allowed more than one blue can, but additional charges are added if they request extra cans. Further discussion was had on whether a customer is allowed to discontinue the garbage service. At this time, all services, if connected, are charged accordingly. This will also be updated as the revisions are being updated on Ordinances and the Town Code.

Discussion was had on the ticketing on snow routes when there is no snow. Chief Bryant will further discuss this with public works and his department.

Heath Turbiville updated the Council on the Town's projects. Discussion will need to be had on the landfill. A meeting will be scheduled on March 24th at 5:30 pm to discuss the landfill and to begin the budget process.

Discussion was had on moving the Town Hall offices to the Moorcroft Town Center and the process of the construction. The Town will move to get a fair market value for the current Town Hall building. Further discussion on the bid process will be had.

With no further business, Councilman Smith motioned to adjourn at 9:05 pm and Councilman Glenn seconded. All ayes, motion carried.


Dick Claar, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer