

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Monday, September 12th, 2022

Town Council Present: Mayor Ben Glenn, Councilmen Dale Petersen, Austin Smith, Dusty Petz and Paul Smoot

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Cheryl Schneider, Attorney Pat Carpenter, Police Chief Bill Bryant and HDR Engineer Heath Turbiville

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

Ed Robinson, Crook County Emergency Management Coordinator/Patrol Deputy, was present to discuss the IPAWS system. He stated there is not member subscriber required and gave examples of what examples can be used in the system. The Town will contact him if there becomes a need for a call.

The meeting paused for the opening of the bid for the sale of town's Lot 14 and Lot 15 in Block 2 Second Addition to the Town of Moorcroft. Clerk Schneider stated one bid was received. Mayor Glenn recused himself from the meeting. The bid was read from Glenn Construction for \$25,000. Discussion was had. **Councilman Petersen motioned to accept the bid for \$25,000 and Councilman Petz seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Cindy Mosteller, Texas Trail Museum, was present to request to have Big Horn Avenue closed on September 16th, from 4 pm – 10 pm for the annual Heritage Roundup event. Discussion was had on the monitoring of the underage as alcohol will be served. Cindy stated they will be providing wristbands for ID. Chief Bryant did not have any concerns to address. **Councilman Smoot motioned to approve the closure on Big Horn and Council Petz seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

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

Clerk Schneider updated the council in her department. She stated there has been an increased amount of unanticipated revenue in the bulk water sales. She recommended to the Council to consider paying off an existing water loan with the proceeds that is at a higher interest rate and offsetting the difference to come out of specific purpose funds. This would eliminate a \$17,724 payment each year. Council would like to table it and Clerk Schneider will provide all the information including the payoff to them before the next meeting.

Mayor Glenn discussed the Public Works report. The landfill has been very slow and discussion was had on reducing the current hours and hiring a part time, non-benefited employee to allow the regular, full employee to work on other projects. The part time employee would work one full day a week and eight hours on the third Saturday. Councilman Petersen stated he would like to see the position advertised.

Councilman Petersen motioned to advertise the part time position and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Chief Bryant updated the Council on his department.

Heath Turbiville reported on the town projects. He stated Cory is getting quotes for the crack sealing on the streets. The public meeting for the bike path has been rescheduled for 6:00 pm on October 10th, prior to the regular meeting.

Clerk Schneider read two Ordinances into record on final reading:

Ordinance 5-2022; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 25-602(a) OF CHAPTER 6, TITLE 25 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 TO INCREASE MONTHLY BASE WATER RATE AND ADDITIONAL WATER RATE ANNUALLY BY TWO PERCENT (2%) COMMENCING THE FIRST BILLING PERIOD IN JULY EACH YEAR; AND TO SET FEES BY RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Smoot motioned to approve Ordinance 5-2022, on 3rd reading and Councilman Petersen seconded. All ayes, motioned carried.

Ordinance 6-2022; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19-401 OF CHAPTER 4, TITLE 19 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING 1979 TO INCREASE MONTHLY SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ANNUALLY BY TWO PERCENT (2%) COMMENCING THE FIRST BILLING PERIOD IN JULY EACH YEAR; AND TO SET FEES BY RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Councilman Smith motioned to approve Ordinance 6-2022, on 3rd reading and Councilman Petz seconded. All ayes, motioned carried.

Clerk Schneider presented Ordinance 8-2022, setting meeting dates in new business for approval.

Ordinance 8-2022; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-305 OF CHAPTER 1, TITLE 1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOORCROFT, WYOMING, 1979 TO SET REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY AT 7:00 PM ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH OR IF THE REGULAR MEETING IS A LEGAL HOLIDAY THEN AT 7:00 PM ON THE NEXT FOLLOWING BUSINESS DAY WHICH IS NOT A LEGAL HOLIDAY; ESTABLISH THAT MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL BE HELD IN THE TOWN'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES UNLESS OTHERWISE DETERMINED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Discussion was had. Councilman Petersen motioned to approve Ordinance 8-2022 on 1st reading and Councilman Smoot seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Further discussion is needed to move on to the Resolution 10-2022, garbage fees. A workshop is set for Monday, September 21st at 7:00 pm. Water and Sewer rates for single metered and all metered mobile home parks will be set at the next regular scheduled council meeting.

Councilman Petersen motioned to move into Executive Session at 7:52 pm to discuss personnel and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Council reconvened at 7:35 pm. Discussion was had on an increase of salary for Cody Amende. **Councilman Smoot motioned to increase the salary to \$25 per hour, effective September 12th, 2022 and Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

With no further business to discuss, **Councilman Petersen motioned to adjourn at 7:37 pm and Councilman Petz seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**



Ben Glenn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer