Town of Moorcroft Regular Meeting of the Council Wednesday, June 14th, 2023

Town Council Present: Mayor Ben Glenn, Councilmembers Dale Petersen, Austin Smith and Bob Stewart Excused: Councilmember Heidi Humpal

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

Mayor Glenn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call was taken. Councilmember Humpal is excused.

Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve Consent Agenda items 1-6 and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve Consent Agenda item 7 and Councilmember Stewart seconded. Councilmember Smith abstained due to conflict of interest. Councilmembers Petersen, Stewart and Mayor Glenn ayes, Motion carried. Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve Consent Agenda item 8 and Councilmember Smith seconded. Mayor Glenn abstained due to conflict of interest. Councilmembers Petersen, Smith and Stewart ayes, motion carried.

Anita Irving, Moorcroft Town resident, was present to discuss the MTC outside lighting and the status of the diffusers. Mayor Glenn stated since the lighting was obtained by grant funds, the Council would like Clerk Schneider to check with the funding agency to ensure there would be no issues changing anything with the original plan. Anita asked for the status of the mosquito spraying in town. Public Works Director Allison stated the spraying would begin tomorrow at 5:00 am, weather permitting.

Krissy Hinkhouse was present to discuss the upcoming jubilee and request some closures. Councilmember Smith motioned to close the street from the 100 block of Weston from 6:00 am – 9:00 am on Saturday, July 8th and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Petersen motioned to close parking on Big Horn to Crook, down to Robinson Park from 8:00 am to 11:00 am on July 8th and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Stewart motioned to close from Big Horn to Converse and Converse to Robinson from 11:00 am on July 8th to 6:00 am on July 9th and Councilmember Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Stewart motioned to close from Big Horn to Converse to Railroad on July 8th, 8 am to 8:00 am on July 9th and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Clerk Schneider will send out a code red reminding citizens not to park on the streets of Big Horn, Crook down to Railroad on the requested date and times. Open container was discussed. Councilmember Smith motioned to relax the open container for 24 hours from alley to alley down Converse to Railroad and Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilmember Smith motioned to close Robinson Road on July 7th from 3:30 pm to 9:00 pm and Councilmember Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Krissy requested alcohol to be sold at the Westview Park baseball field from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm on July 9th. Councilmember Stewart motioned to approve, and Councilmember Smith seconded. Discussion was had. There has been no catering permit filed by Deere Haven for this event.

The regular meeting was closed to open the public meeting at 7:15 p.m. for the transfer of a liquor license from Hopper's Beverage and Emporium to Coffee Cup Fuel Stop #5.

Toni Kornemann and Curt Erikson, Coffee Cup Fuel Stop representatives, were present and Chief Bryant stated he had met with both of them earlier to discuss the concerns he had. They will put signage for no consumption on premises. Chief Bryant had no other concerns. With no other comments, the regular meeting was closed at 7: 23 p.m.

The regular meeting was reopened at 7:23 p.m. Councilmember Smith motioned to allow the transfer of the liquor license from Hopper's Beverage and Emporium to Coffee Cup Fuel Stop #5, effective June 15th, 2023 and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion on the sale of liquor at the Westview Park baseball field was continued. Since there is no catering permit before Council tonight to approve, the motion was withdrawn.

The regular meeting of the council was closed at 7:30 p.m. to open the public meeting for comment on **Ordinance 2-2023**, **Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024**. No comments were made. The public meeting was closed at 7:31 p.m.

The regular meeting was reopened at 7:31 p.m.

Clerk Schneider present Ordinance 2-2023 for emergency reading:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 1ST, 2023 AND ENDING JUNE 30TH, 2024. Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve Ordinance 2-2023 on Emergency Reading and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Schneider updated the council on her department and gave the treasurer's report.

Public Works Director Allison gave the public works reports. He stated there have been issues at the Texas Trails subdivision park and they are going to now start locking up access to the sprinklers. Discussion was had on valley pans at CDS.

Chief Bryant gave his report.

Heath Turbiville updated the council on the town's projects.

Brad McKee, K.A.R.E. representative, was present and updated the Council on the ambulance department.

Deere Haven, LLC request a 24 catering permit for Jubilee on July 8th from 12 pm to 12 am on S. Big Horn Avenue. Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve the 24 hour catering permit and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Clerk Schneider presented a vendor license to sell fireworks from June 30-July 4th. Councilmember Smith motioned to allow the sale of fireworks from 8:00 am to 10:00 pm from June 30th to July 3rd and from 8:00 am to 12:00 midnight on July 4th and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Councilmember Stewart motioned to relax the Ordinance and to allow the shooting off fireworks from June 30th until July 5th from 8 am until 10 pm and until 12:00 midnight on July 4th and Councilmember Petersen seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Krissy Hinkhouse requested to close S. Big Horn and from Robinson to Railroad on July 4th from July 10th to allow bouncy houses at Robinson Park. **Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve the request and Councilmember Smith seconded.** All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion was had the town property on Big Horn. Councilmember Petersen motioned to publish a notice of intent to sell the N ½ of Lot 12 and Lot 13 on Big Horn and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Discussion was had on cleaning of bathrooms at Noonan and Robinson Park on the weekends during the summer. Cory stated he would like to add the cleaning of both bathrooms to the Town Hall's existing contract. He stated he would like to pay \$50 each week for the additional cleaning and the services would be from July 1st to September 30th. Councilmember Stewart motioned to add extra cleaning at \$50 per week, from July 1st to September 30th to the existing town hall cleaning contract and Councilmember Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

The RAGE baseball agreement was presented to the council. **Councilmember Petersen motioned to approve the** agreement and **Councilmember Stewart seconded**. **All ayes, motion carried**.

Clerk Schneider presented Ordinance 1-2023 on 3rd and final reading An Ordinance:

TITLE 1, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 1-305, 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 P.M. ON THE SECOND AND FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH OR IF THE REGULAR MEETING IS A LEGAL HOLIDAY THEN AT 7:00 P.M. 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. Councilmember Smith motioned to approve Ordinance 1-2023 and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Cory discussed the 12 plex on Centennial. He stated work still has not been completed to tie into the meters that have been installed. Council stated to send a letter to Lyle Austin giving him 30 days from June 19th to have the work completed or services will be discontinued.

With no further business to discuss, Councilmember Smith motioned to adjourn at 9:00 pm and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Ben Glenn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cheryl Schneider, Clerk/Treasure