

Town of Moorcroft
Regular Meeting of the Council
Wednesday, September 9th, 2026

Town Council Present: Mayor Dale Petersen, Councilmembers Heidi Blakeman, Robert Stewart, Austin Smith and Dan Blakeman.

Town Representatives Present: Clerk/Treasurer Jesse Connally, Police Chief Bill Bryant, Town Attorney G. Nolan Thomas, Heath Turbiville, HDR and Fire Chief Jeff Holberg

Mayor Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Roll call was taken.

Guests JLCR, LLC requested council re-vote on a previous variance request. They were advised to bring their request back to the planning committee for further discussion.

Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve consent agenda #1, #2 & #3; Regular Meeting of the Council - August 26th, 2026; Special Meeting of the Council - August 31st, 2026, and September Bill list #1, pulling AV Tech from the bill list for discussion.

Councilman Stewart seconded. Discussion was had regarding AV Tech invoice.

Blakeman, Smith, Stewart ayes, motion carried. Councilman Smith motioned to pull AV Tech invoice from bill list for further discussion. Councilman Blakeman seconded. D. Blakeman, Smith, Petersen ayes motion carried. Councilman Blakeman motioned to pay the full amount requested on AV Tech invoice, Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Councilman Stewart motioned to approve consent agenda item #4: September Bill List #2. Councilman Blakeman seconded. D. Blakeman, H. Blakeman, Stewart and Petersen ayes, Smith abstained, motion carried.

Mayor Petersen gave Public Works department report.

Clerk Connally gave her department report.

Chief Bryant gave his department report.

HDR Engineer Turbiville updated the Council on the Town projects. Landfill: Project is going well. Vac truck: bidding documents are done and it is ready to go out for bid.

Fire Chief Holberg gave his department report. The department needs 6 new radios at \$6,000 per radio. He has asked council if they could assist with paying for them and that they are doing fundraising to help as well.

No EMS report.

Secretary Blakeman gave the Planning Board department report. He requested the Mayor add Amanda Critel to the next meeting to appoint her to the Planning Committee.

New Business: Mayor Petersen asked if the Council would like to put the green chairs in the library up as surplus. Council chose to keep them. **Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve Resolution 11-2026 List of fees for Subdivisions. Councilman Smith seconded.** Discussion was had regarding the fees. **Motion failed. Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to table Resolution 11-2026 to the next council meeting (September 23rd). Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.**

Council discussed the Moorcroft Library's previous request for reduction on their utility bill due to budget cuts. Discussion was had. **Councilman Blakeman motioned to verbally support the local county library here in Moorcroft and council will do the best we can to figure out how we can help them (as fiscally responsible and as statutorily possible), and if there is an opportunity one or all of us (council) will go speak in support of them at the Commissioners level. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.**

Concrete at Noonan Park: **Councilman Blakeman motioned to approve Glenn Construction to pour 2 pads of concrete up to 3 yards, while they are up there completing warranty work. Councilman Smith seconded.** Discussion was had. **All ayes. Motion carried.**

Sewer Lagoon: **Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to approve estimate from Teledyne Instruments, Inc for a new Flowmeter at the Lagoon for \$3,773.19. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.**

Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to approve Eli Leturgey & Mike Caruso as the Water and Sewer license contractors for \$150.00 per month. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business: Capital Projects – Council received 3 quotes for the painting of the interior and exterior of the MTC gym. NP Painting: \$65,896.00, Raisley Painting: \$34,700.00 & Schubert Painting: \$23,680.00. **Councilman Smith motioned to award the painting contract to Schubert Painting in the amount of \$23,680.00 and to be paid out of 1% Specific Purpose contingent upon being bonded, 1 year Warranty and agreement with final 50% payment after final walkthrough and punch list. Councilman Stewart seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.**

Councilman Stewart motioned to gather quotes on floor replacement in MTC lunchroom and hallways from Town Hall to Library. Councilman Blakeman seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Pre-quote meeting September 15th at 10:00am and quotes due at Town Hall by September 21st, 2026 at 5:00pm

Councilmember Stewart motioned to gather quotes for the flooring of the old library conference room renovation. Councilwoman Blakeman seconded. Pre-quote meeting 10:30am September 15th, 2026 and quotes due at Town Hall by 5:00pm September 21, 2026. **All ayes, motion carried.**

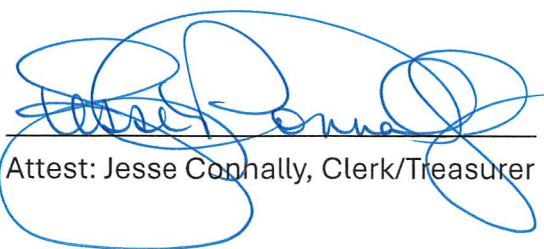
Councilman Blakeman motioned to bid the well abandonment project on North Little Horn Avenue. Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Petersen advised council of two quotes that came in for park/cemetery sprinkler blowout for winter. Quotes received: TruGreen \$1800.00 and Strands \$1055.00.

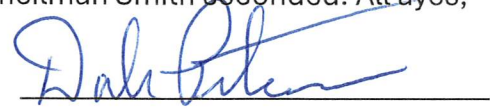
Councilwoman Blakeman motioned to approve Strands Lawncare for sprinkler blowout at all parks and cemetery contingent upon providing a guarantee of work. Councilman Smith seconded. D. Blakeman, H. Blakeman, Smith ayes, Stewart nay, motion carried.

Workshop scheduled September 23, 2026 at 6:00pm to review pole building specs, Ordinance 20-301 language discussion, proposal of addition to definitions for Ordinance 7-2026 and selling landfill scale/building.

Councilman Stewart motioned to adjourn 9:48pm. Councilman Smith seconded. All ayes, motion carried.



Attest: Jesse Connally, Clerk/Treasurer



Dale Petersen, Mayor