TOWN OF MOORCROFT Minutes

Council Meeting

Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:00p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Sproul, Councilman Mathews, Councilman Claar and Councilman Glenn.

Town Employees Present: Cory Allison, Public Works Director; Cindy Hubble Deputy Clerk; Jim Peck, Town Attorney and Heath Turbiville, Town of Moorcroft Engineer (HDR)

Meeting called to order at 7:04p.m., Mayor Sproul led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing began at 7:05pm, Mayor Sproul read list of liquor licenses' up for renewal and approval: Deere Haven, Donna's Diner, Dewey's, Hopper's and VFW. Mayor asked for comments, Chief Lundborg asked all establishments to observe and discontinue serving customers that may be dangerously intoxicated. Dick Claar motioned to approve Deere Haven, Donna's Diner, Dewey's, Hoppers and VFW for another year. Mathews seconded. Motion passed 4/0

Mayor Sproul asked council applicants to step forward and tell the council why they would like to be a part of the council. Applicants to speak: Charlie Britton, Rosalie Brimmer, Larry Ferrell, Margret Lynch, John Aloisio, Robert Stewart, and Casey Devish was not present.

Claar motion to go into executive session at 7:29pm, Mathews seconded, motion passed 4/0

Executive session ended at 7:55pm

Claar motioned to appoint John Aloisio to the council, Glenn seconded, motion passed 4/0

Deputy Clerk gave oath of office to John Aloisio, and after being sworn in, he took the vacant seat along side his fellow council members.

Mathews motioned to approve consent agenda, Claar seconded, motion passed 5/0

Department Reports:

Clerks Report:

Clerk reminded council of upcoming WAM conference and to verify who would attend. Clerk was asked to make arrangements for SLIB board travel for the upcoming week. Attendees for SLIB meeting on Jan 20 and 21: Owen Mathews, John Aloisio, and Cory Allison. Clerk announced a few responses from area CPA's about an audit, and only one had shown a real interest. Clerk announced that HDR, kindly forgave the accumulated interest of 24 thousand dollars, on past due invoices. Council thanked HDR as well as a round of applause from guest in attendance. Clerk mentioned letter received from Land and Conservation Fund, concerning additional information to release funds to the town. Clerk also mentioned letter from Crook County Attorney Joe Baron, concerning the Crook County Library Board needed to be part of the discussions concerning the use of the Moorcroft Multi Use Building. In order to move forward.

Police Department

Chief Lundborg mentioned the siren test earlier in the week and it went well.

He also mentioned that in next year's budget, a replacement vehicle will be requested, since the Hours on the older units are extreme, and so are the repairs. He is working on step 2 of his grant, and reminds everyone, this is a 100% grant...no matching funds required.

He is also working on the cost to bring in a part time officer, to cover vacations, and days off. Chief Lundborg asked council to raise the breathalyzer test to \$4.00 per single test, or \$28.00 per week, for daily test. Mathews motioned to raise portable breathalyzer test to \$4.00 per single test, or \$28.00 dollars per week, for daily tests. Claar seconded, motion passed 5/0

Rec Board

Nancy Feehan mentioned they visited Huletts Rec Building, researching ideas, along with Mr Atkinson for grants to improve the Moorcroft multi use building. She mentioned the fundraiser and memorial service went well, and a good idea for a second hand store is being explored.

EMS no report

Engineer Report-

Hdr mentioned the upcoming SLIB meeting, to secure future fundings.

Claar motioned to approve resolution 1-2016 for an SFR loan for the Goshen Street Water Main Project. Aloisio seconded, motion passed 5/0. It was also discussed that if it were not feasible to incorporate this loan into the budget, that it would not be put to use. Loan applications are required before March, with approvals or denials in June.

DEQ gave permission to move forward with study of a non discharging Lagoon.

Public Works: Alison stated by hauling the coal for Multi Use building ourselves, it saves, \$400.00 per trip, also adjusting minutes on town cell phone contract, reduced it \$200.00 per month. He has instructed all the maintenance staff to acquire their CDL's, and requested pay increases for the current CDL drivers he has, who are the lowest paid. Turf for the ball field has arrived. A potential buyer of 500 Semlek requested to park a travel trailer there in lieu of a house for 1 year, until he could build a home. Town's attorney said it was against ordinances, and suggested buyer could appear before council for a temporary variance.

Fire Department; held elections this week, elected Ben Glenn as chief of

Commission/Board No update

Attorney's Update Mr. Peck discussed needing 3 readings for liquor license approvals. Davis Easement has been recorded, Welches easement is awaiting discussion on weed abatement. CCSD quit claim and partial easement concerning the bleachers at the high school, were ready for signatures. Mathews motioned to approve the quit claim deed, and partial release easement between CCSD and Town of Moorcroft. Claar seconded, motion passed 5/0

Old Business: nothing solid on audits yet. The Committee that interviewed applicants for the Clerks' position, recommended Cheryl Snider. Mathews motioned to go into executive session at 9:30pm, Claar seconded. Motion passed 5/0

New Business:

Regular meeting resumed at 10:15pm, Claar motioned to hire Cheryl Snider as Clerk Treasurer at \$17.00 per hour and Cindy Hubble as Deputy Clerk at \$15.00 per hour. Aloisio seconded. Motion passed 3/2. Claar motioned to appoint Patrick Crow as Municipal Judge, Mathews seconded, motion passed 5/0 Mathews motioned to adjourn meeting, Glenn seconded, motion carried 4/1 Meeting adjourned at 10:55pm

Mayor

Attest:

Cindy Hupple.

Clerk