



RIFLE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

September 15, 2021

7:00 p.m.

202 Railroad Avenue, Rifle, CO

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Councilor Sean Strode.

Present at Roll Call:

Mayor Barb Clifton, Councilor Ed Green, Councilor Brian Condie, Councilor Theresa Hamilton and Councilor Sean Strode.

Councilor Theresa Hamilton motioned to excuse Councilor Joe Carpenter and Councilor Clint Hostettler seconded by Councilor Brian Condie.

Roll Call: Yes - Ed Green, Brian Condie, Theresa Hamilton, Sean Strode and Barb Clifton.

No - None

Others Present:

City Manager Tommy Klein, City Attorney Jim Neu, City Clerk Misty Williams, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Salvador Tovar-Guzman, Civil Engineer Craig Spaulding, Planning Director Patrick Waller, Court Administrator Kathryn Pototsky, Main Street Manager Kim Burner, Parks & Recreation Director Tom Whitmore, Jeff Johnson of Jeff Johnson Architecture, Phil Vaughn of Phil Vaughn Construction Management, Recreation Program Manager Austin Rickstrew, RAMBO members Eric Villaseñor, Erin Mattix and Allison Birkenfeld.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were heard.

CONSENT AGENDA – CONSIDER APPROVING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Consider Approval of the 2021- 2023 City Strategic Plan
- B. Consider Liquor License Renewal for Lilly's Kitchen Corporation dba Lilly's Kitchen
- C. Consider Minutes of the September 1,2021 Regular Meeting

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B and C; seconded by Councilor Brian Conde.

Roll Call: Yes - Brian Condie, Theresa Hamilton, Ed Green, Sean Strode and Barb Clifton.

No - None

PRESENTATION

Rifle Downtown Project Update

Civil Engineer Craig Spaulding gave an update on the Rifle Downtown Project.

REGULAR AGENDA

Consider City Hall Physical and Electronic Security Improvements – Change Order Request #1 (COR#1) Plumbing Remodel

Parks & Recreation Director Tom Whitmore presented and explained remodel construction purpose and provided phase planning encounters. Plumbing remodel was included in the initial design to be done at a later phase but while reviewing construction phase 2, plumbing issues were discovered needing to be addressed prior to proposed timeline. Jeff Johnson of Jeff Johnson Architecture explained drawings on plumbing issues that need to be addressed that include restroom floor drains, some failing pipe and repurposing the spaces that would be affected by proposed remodel. Phil Vaughn of Phil Vaughn Construction Management explained the phase 2 remodel estimate and change request order. Staff recommends approval of Change Order Request #1 with additional expenditures in the amount of \$676,064.60. If approved, project completion date extends six weeks out - March 2022 rather than January, 2022.

Councilor Ed Green moved to approve City Hall Remodel Phase 2 - Change Order Request #1 (COR#1) Plumbing Remodel in the amount of \$676,064.60; seconded by Mayor Barb Clifton.

Roll Call: Yes - Brian Condie, Ed Green, Barb Clifton, Sean Strode, and Theresa Hamilton.

No - None

Consider Funding Request for Fall 2021 Grand Hogback Trail Construction

City Manager Tommy Klein & Planning Director Patrick Waller presented funding request consideration for Fall 2021 Grand Hogback trail. Fund request is for \$20,000 to construct an additional 1.7 miles for the trail. Planning Director Patrick Waller provided a review of the planning, construction and funding process for the trail over the years. City Manager Tommy Klein explained and recommended that funding should be out of the conservation trust fund, if approved. Comments were heard from City Attorney Jim Neu and Rifle Area Mountain Building Organization RAMBO members Eric Villaseñor, Erin Mattix and Allison Birkenfeld.

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve funding request of \$20,000 for Fall 2021 Grand Hogback Trail construction to be taken from conservation trust funds; seconded by Councilor Brian Condie.

Roll Call: Yes - Ed Green, Sean Strode, Barb Clifton, Brian Condie and Theresa Hamilton.

No - None

Consider CPW Non-Motorized Matching Grant Funding Request for Build Out of the Grand Hogback Trail System – Resolution No. 10, Series of 2021

Planning Director Patrick Waller presented matching grant request for CPW Non-Motorized trail construction (Build Out). Planning Director Waller provided a background explanation on city's initial matching grant application submitted back in 2020 for \$110,000 that was not approved. Planning Director Waller explained purpose of second matching grant request of \$80,000 over the next two years dividing that into \$40,000 a year with the results of adding 12.2 miles to the trail towards the overall project cost of \$290,000. The overall project cost outline includes \$260,000 for 10.5 miles of trail and \$30,000 for pit toilet installations. Planning Director Waller expressed anticipation of \$50,000 in additional funding over the next 2 years as well as in kind volunteer trail construction. CPW grant request is for \$160,000. Planning Director Patrick Waller recommends consideration of grant request to be funded by the conservation trust fund if application is approved.

Comments were heard from City Attorney Jim Neu explaining action request to support matching grant and potential expenditure if application is approved for \$80,000 over the next two years. If grant gets approved, council has the option to decide whether or not they want to move forward.

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve matching fund request in the amount of \$80,000 for the Build Out of the Grand Hogback Trail System – Resolution No. 10, Series of 2021 with the recommendation of having funds come out of the conservation trust fund; seconded by Mayor Barb Clinton.

Roll Call: Yes - Theresa Hamilton, Ed Green, Barb Clifton, Brian Condie and Sean Strode.

No - None

Consider Regulation of Stopping, Standing or Parking in Fire Lanes – Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2021 – First Reading

Court Administrator Kathryn Pototsky presented consideration of adding Ordinance No. 9 Series of 2021, that would amend the City of Rifle Municipal Code Section 8-1-110, to specifically prohibit parking in fire lanes.

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve Ordinance No. 9, Series of 2021 – adding the provision to specifically prohibit parking in fire lanes on first reading as presented in order to be published by title as required by charter; seconded by Councilor Brian Condie.

Roll Call: Yes - Barb Clifton, Sean Strode, Theresa Hamilton, Brian Condie and Ed Green.

No – None

Consider Employment Agreement with Thomas Klein for City Manager

City Attorney Jim Neu presented the employment agreement with Thomas Klein for City Manager. Staff recommends the approval of the employment agreement with Thomas Klein for City Manager.

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve employment agreement with Thomas Klein for City of Rifle Manager; seconded by Councilor Ed Green.

Roll Call: Yes - Brian Condie, Sean Strode, Theresa Hamilton, Barb Clifton and Ed Green.

No – None

Administrative Reports

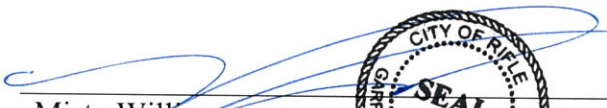
Reports were heard from City Manager Tommy Klein, City Clerk Misty Williams and City Attorney Jim Neu.

Comments from Mayor and Council

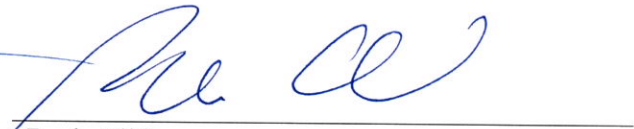
Comments were heard from Councilor Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Brian Condie, Sean Strobe and Mayor Barb Clifton.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.


Misty Williams
City Clerk




Barb Clifton
Mayor