



# RIFLE CITY COUNCIL

## REGULAR MEETING

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January 20, 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 Mayor Barb Clifton. This Rifle City Council meeting was posted as an electronic meeting and held as an electronic meeting.

### Present at Roll Call:

Mayor Barbara Clifton, Councilor Theresa Hamilton, Councilor Joe Carpenter, Councilor Brian Condie, Councilor Ed Green, Councilor Clint Hostettler, and Councilor Sean Strode.

### Others Present:

Rifle City Manager Scott Hahn, City Clerk Kristy Doll, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Michael Churchill, Chief of Police Tommy Klein, Finance Director Michelle Duran, and Planning Director Nathan Lindquist.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

No citizen comments were heard.

### CONSENT AGENDA – CONSIDER APPROVING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Consider Minutes of the November 18, 2020, Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Designating a Public Posting Place - Resolution No. 1, Series of 2021

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A and B; seconded by Councilor Clint Hostettler.

Roll Call: Yes - Barbara Clifton, Theresa Hamilton, Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, Ed Green, Clint Hostettler, Sean Strode; No - None

### PUBLIC HEARING

**(Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority) Public Hearing - Consider Application by Capitol Deli, LLC, dba Capitol Deli for a Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 851 Railroad Avenue**

Mayor Barb Clifton opened the public hearing.

Applicant Dusti Budd presented a Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License application for Capitol Deli, LLC, dba Capitol Deli located at 851 Railroad Avenue.

City Clerk Kristy Doll stated the public hearing was properly noticed, the application is complete, the fees have been paid, and the petition that reflected the neighborhood's needs and desires was also submitted. Because of the close proximity to the Rifle Middle School, extra steps were necessary to satisfy both the State Statutes and the City's municipal code requirements. Colorado State regulations indicate that no retail liquor license shall be issued to a location that is within 500 feet of a public school, except when the Local Licensing Authority eliminates or reduces the distance restrictions for any class of license by Ordinance. Rifle City Council adopted an Ordinance so that the Liquor Licensing Authority may eliminate or reduce the distance requirement on a case-by-case basis for Hotel and Restaurant Liquor Licences located within 500 feet of a school. As required by Code, Capitol Deli, LLC, requested a waiver for the Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License from the Garfield County School Board. Capitol Deli, LLC received a Resolution from the Garfield County School Board that does not oppose the Liquor License application of Caipiol Deli, LLC, located at 851 Railroad Avenue. Staff recommends the approval of the new Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License for Capitol Deli, LLC dba Capitol Deli. Public comment was received from Lindsey Williams in support of the Liquor License Application. Mayor Barb Clifton closed the public hearing.

Councilor Theresa Hamilton moved to approve the Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License for Capitol Deli, LLC dba Capitol Deli; seconded by Councilor Sean Strode.

Roll Call: Yes - Barbara Clifton, Theresa Hamilton, Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, Ed Green, Clint Hostettler, Sean Strode; No - None

## REGULAR AGENDA

### Consider Purchase of 2021 Police Vehicle

Chief of Police Tommy Klein noted the purchase of a new vehicle for the Police Department was included in the 2021 budget in the fleet fund. The purchase of a 2021 Ford Explorer from Columbine Ford with state contract pricing is \$35,588. The price of the vehicle does not include outfitting with the necessary lights, safety equipment, etc.

Councilor Sean Strode moved to approve the purchase of a 2021 Ford Explorer from Columbine Ford in the amount of \$35,588.00; seconded by Councilor Brian Condie.

Roll Call: Yes - Barbara Clifton, Theresa Hamilton, Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, Ed Green, Clint Hostettler, Sean Strode; No - None

### Consider Amending Appendix A of the Rifle Municipal Code regarding sanitation and water rates for 2021 - Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2021

#### AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING APPENDIX A TO THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING REFUSE COLLECTION AND WATER RATES.

City Manager Scott Hahn explained the Appendix A of the City's Code provides an automatic 5% rate increase each year in each utility fund. The sanitation fund is experiencing increased costs associated with providing refuse collection services requiring a 7.5% increase in fees. The 5% sewer increase will remain as the automatic increase identified in Appendix A. The water fund has attained efficiencies and fees can stay at the 2020 rates to offset the increased refuse collection fees. Staff recommends approval of Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2021.

Councilor Clint Hostettler moved to approve Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2021, and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Sean Strode.

Roll Call: Yes - Barbara Clifton, Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, Ed Green, Clint Hostettler, Sean Strode; No-Theresa Hamilton

### Consider Additional CARES Act Expenditures in 2021

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist explained that the CARES Act funding's previous December 31, 2020 deadline was extended through 2021. Cares Act funding allocated to the City was \$ 818,370.24; however, it was decided to cap the CARES Act spending at \$750,000 to avoid a federal audit of the expenditure. With the extension of the spending deadline, the remaining \$84,000 of Cares Act Funds is available for use. It is not necessary for the majority of the additional funding to be used immediately. Staff recommends that \$17,800 be used for extra administrative costs incurred with processing grants and the continuation of \$3,000 per month paid to the Ute Theatre employees for assisting Lift-Up and the sanitation of playground equipment for the next three months. The rest of the funds would be saved for later consideration.

Councilor Clint Hostettler moved to approve \$17,800 for extra administrative costs and \$3,000 per month to the Ute Theatre staff to sanitize playground equipment for three months, as eligible; seconded by Councilor Theresa Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes - Barbara Clifton, Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, Ed Green, Clint Hostettler, Sean Strode; No- None

### Administrative Reports

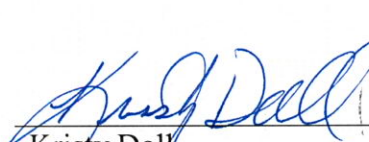
Administrative reports were heard from City Manager Scott Hahn, City Clerk Kristy Doll, and Chief of Police Tommy Klein.

### Comments from Mayor and Council

Comments were heard from Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, and Theresa Hamilton.

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

  
Kristy Doll  
City Clerk



  
Barb Clifton  
Mayor