



RIFLE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

August 21, 2024
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 Sean Strode.

Present at Roll Call:

Councilor Clint Hostettler, Councilor Chris Bornholdt, Councilor Alicia Gresley, Councilor Karen Roberts, Councilor Joe Carpenter, Councilor Brian Condie, and Mayor Sean Strode.

Roll Call: Yes - Clint Hostettler, Chris Bornholdt, Alicia Gresley, Karen Roberts, Joe Carpenter, Brian Condie, and Sean Strode.

No – None.

Others Present:

Interim City Manager Patrick Waller, City Clerk Alexis Ramirez, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Cable 10 Manager (RCTV) Michael Churchill, Police Chief Debra Funston, Police Lieutenant Mike Kuper, Procurement & Grant Reporting Manager Iris Trevisano, Parks & Recreation Director Austin Rickstrew, Utilities Director Jared Emmert, Police Sergeant Mike Pruitt, Police Corporal Diego Pina, Patrol Officer Ariel Herrera, Patrol Officer Leland Loux, Patrol Officer Wyatt Bornholdt, IT Systems Administrator Brenda Maes, Mary Harlan, Dana Reimholz, and Rachel Reimholz.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

CONSENT AGENDA – CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Consider Minutes of the August 7, 2024 Regular Meeting
- B. Consider Liquor License Renewal for Mi Lindo Nayarit, Inc dba Mi Lindo Nayarit
- C. Consider Liquor License Renewal for Rolling Fork Grill, LLC dba Brickhouse Pizzeria
- D. Consider Liquor License Renewal for Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #1345 dba Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #1345

Councilor Clint Hostettler moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, and D; seconded by Councilor Chris Bornholdt.

Roll Call: Yes - Brian Condie, Karen Roberts, Chris Bornholdt, Clint Hostettler, Joe Carpenter, Alicia Gresley, and Sean Strode.

No – None.

REGULAR AGENDA

Consider Letter of Support for Northwest Colorado Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Network Project - Installation of EV Chargers on City Parking Garage

Interim City Manager Patrick Waller and Mary Harlan with Clean Energy Economy for the Region presented a request to consider a letter of support for Northwest Colorado Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Network Project for the installation of EV chargers in the Rifle City Hall parking garage. Grant funds from the United States Department of Transportation Charging and Fueling Infrastructure will enable Northwest Colorado Council of Government's deployment of EV charging stations along four Alternative Fuel Corridors across seven rural counties. This project will facilitate the expansion of electric vehicle charging infrastructure. There is no match request for the grant funding. The City of Rifle has previously pursued electric vehicle chargers in the parking structure, however at that time the funding for the project was significant and the City of Rifle did not pursue the project. If awarded and the project moves forward, there would be four parking spots that are reserved for electric vehicle charging in the Rifle City Hall parking structure. The City of Rifle would own the chargers to be able to set the fee structure, but the chargers would be maintained by an external company.

Interim City Manager Patrick Waller and Mary Harlan answered questions for Council.

Councilor Alicia Gresley moved to approve Letter of Support for the Northwest Colorado Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Network Project with discussed amendments; seconded by Councilor Karen Roberts.

Roll Call: Yes - Alicia Gresley, Karen Roberts, Brian Condie, Chris Bornholdt, and Sean Strode.
No – Clint Hostettler, Joe Carpenter.

Consider Awarding Bid to JVA, Inc for Second Pond Inlet Design

Procurement & Grant Reporting Manager Iris Trevisano and Utilities Director Jared Emmert presented a request to consider awarding bid to JVA Inc. for the design services associated with the Second Pond Inlet Project for an amount not to exceed \$155,600. The design was not included in the 2024 Budget; however, pond improvements were part of the capital plan for 2025. The current inlet that was installed in 2006 was in a good location, however river morphology has changed in the last eighteen years and the current location is problematic. With this design project, the inlet will be relocated. After intake issues that occurred this Spring, the project is considered to be necessary. The construction will be included in the 2025 Budget. Two bids were received for the Second Pond Inlet Design Project. Staff recommends awarding the Second Pond Inlet Design Project to JVA, Inc. If the design project is approved, staff aims to have the design completed by the end of 2025.

Utilities Director Jared Emmert answered questions for Council.

Councilor Alicia Gresley moved to approve award bid to JVA, Inc. for the design services associated with the Second Pond Inlet Project for an amount not to exceed \$155,600; seconded by Councilor Clint Hostettler.

Roll Call: Yes - Joe Carpenter, Alicia Gresley, Brian Condie, Karen Roberts, Chris Bornholdt, Clint Hostettler, and Sean Strode.

No – None.

Consider Authorizing Submission of the Garfield County FMLD Grant Application for 5th Street and UTE Project - Resolution No. 20, Series of 2024

Procurement & Grant Reporting Manager Iris Trevisano presented a request to consider authorizing submission of the Garfield County FMLD grant application for the 5th Street and Ute Avenue Project. The project is estimated at \$1,500,000; the grant will cover up to \$1,000,000 and the city will match 30% from the General Fund. This project is in both the streets and water master plans. The City of Rifle will replace a faulty waterline, construct continuous sidewalks, repair the roadway, fix curbs and gutters at 5th Street/Ute Avenue, address 1,600 linear feet of roadway, and address 1,700 feet of waterline. Staff recommends submission of this grant application, authorize the city manager to sign the grant agreement, and to allocate funds not to exceed \$1,000,000 to fulfill the grant requirements.

Procurement & Grant Reporting Manager Iris Trevisano answered questions for Council.

Councilor Clint Hostettler moved to approve Resolution No. 20, Series of 2024, to authorize staff to submit a grant application to the Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District, to authorize the city manager to sign the grant agreement and to allocate funds not to exceed \$1,000,000 to fulfill grant requirements; seconded by Councilor Alicia Gresley.

Roll Call: Yes - Alicia Gresley, Chris Bornholdt, Brian Condie, Clint Hostettler, Joe Carpenter, Karen Roberts, and Sean Strode.

No – None.

Consider Authorizing Submission of the Garfield County FMLD Mini-Grant Application to Purchase Two Radar Speed Trailers - Resolution No. 19, Series of 2024

Procurement & Grant Reporting Manager Iris Trevisano and Police Chief Debra Funston presented a request to consider authorizing staff to submit the Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District mini-grant application to purchase two Radar Speed Trailers and for the city manager to sign the grant agreement to expend the funds necessary to meet the terms of the grant not to exceed \$25,000. The purchase of two mobile radar trailers would increase the Police Department's ability to monitor traffic speeds and provide visible speeding deterrent in various locations throughout Rifle. The Police Department Speed Trailer broke down this past year and is not repairable; additionally, the trailer is no longer compatible with current systems. The replacement of the radar trailer was not included in the 2024 Budget. The Federal Mineral Lease District mini-grant of \$25,000 would enable the purchase of one ATS5 trailer for \$18,505.72 and one ATS3 trailer for \$11,819.85, for a total of \$30,325.57. This grant would not require a match from City of Rifle; if fully funded, the City of Rifle could potentially fund the remaining \$5,325.57 out of the savings from recent fleet purchases.

Procurement & Grant Reporting Manager Iris Trevisano and Police Chief Debra Funston answered questions for Council.

Councilor Alicia Gresley moved to approve Resolution No. 19, Series of 2024, to allow staff to submit the mini-grant application to Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District for the purchase of two Radar Speed Trailers and the city manager to sign the grant agreement and to expend the funds necessary to meet the terms of the grant not to exceed \$25,000; seconded by Councilor Karen Roberts.

Roll Call: Yes - Karen Roberts, Brian Condie, Alicia Gresley, Clint Hostettler, Chris Bornholdt, Joe Carpenter, and Sean Strode.

No – None.

Report to City Manager

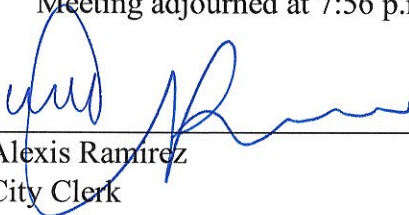
Reports were heard from Interim City Manager Patrick Waller.

Comments from Mayor and Council

Comments were heard from Councilor Alicia Gresley, Councilor Brian Condie, Councilor Joe Carpenter, and Mayor Sean Strode.

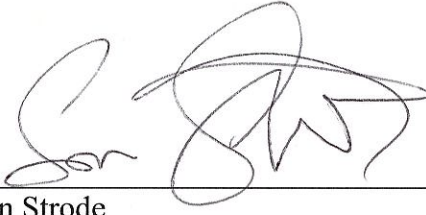
Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Alexis Ramirez
City Clerk





Sean Strode
Mayor