

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 p.m. * Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Barb Clifton.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Councilors Joe Elliott, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Annick Pruett, Dana Wood, and Mayor Pro Tem Clifton.

Councilor Hamilton moved to excuse Mayor Randy Winkler from tonight's meeting; seconded by Councilor Green.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Wood

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Matt Sturgeon, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Manager Michael Churchill, Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore, Public Works Director Rick Barth, Court Administrator Kathy Pototsky, Chief of Police Thomas Klein, Kimberly Klein, Police Detectives, Police Sergeants, Police Officers, John Pototsky, Jay Miller, Carlton Hoffmeister, Kurt Hill, and Alex Zorn.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the January 18, 2017 Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes from the January 18, 2017 Special Meeting

Councilor Pruett moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A and B; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Wood

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Citizen comments were heard.

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO CHIEF OF POLICE THOMAS KLEIN

Mayor Pro tem Clifton administered the Oath of Office to the Chief of Police Thomas Klein.

CONSIDER WAIVING FEES AT HUFFMAN GULCH FOR THE RIFLE SNOWMOBILE CLUB'S ANNUAL POKER RUN

Carlton Hoffmeister and Kurt Hill representatives of the Rifle Snowmobile Club explained the annual Poker Run is on February 19th this year and they are requesting a waiver of parking fees for participants. The snowmobile club maintains the parking lot at Rifle Mountain Park and grooms the snowmobile trails.

Councilor Elliot moved to approve waiving the parking fees at Huffman Gulch for the Rifle Snowmobile Club annual Poker Run; seconded by Councilor Wood.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Wood

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM LORI MUELLER ON BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY

Lori Mueller and Julie Olson representatives from the Garfield County Human Service Commission (HSC) shared their concerns about homelessness and poverty in the region and gave a presentation on the Bridges out of Poverty program.

CONSIDER PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Park and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore stated Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) members Chris Bornholdt, Mason Hohstadt, and Kevin Kelley would like to continue to serve on PRAB for an additional term.

Councilor Hamilton moved to approve the appointment of Chris Bornholdt, Mason Hohstadt, and Kevin Kelley to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board; seconded by Councilor Green.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Wood

CONSIDER AWARDING PROJECT MANAGEMENT FOR WEST 5TH STREET (Rick Barth)
Public Works Director Rick Barth recommended awarding Construction Management Services to Boundaries Unlimited (BUI) for the first phase of West 5th Street Construction. BUI has served the role of design and consulting engineer for the last two years with a satisfactory performance. Staff recommends award of contract to BUI in an amount not-to-exceed \$66,760.

Councilor Green moved to award the 5th Street Construction Management Services to Boundaries Unlimited in an amount not to exceed \$66,760; seconded by Councilor Pruett.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Wood

CONSIDER PENALTIES FOR CLASS C MUNICIPAL MISDEMEANORS - ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES OF 2017 – 1ST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING CERTAIN PENALTIES APPLICABLE TO CLASS C VIOLATIONS OF THE CITY OF RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE.

Court Administrator Kathy Pototsky noted currently the City divides municipal offenses into three classes and assigns maximum penalties for violations of each. Class C municipal misdemeanors, the lowest class of misdemeanors, are currently punishable by fines up to \$1,000.00, without the possibility of incarceration. By amending the General Penalty Provision to allow for up to 10 days of jail time for Class C misdemeanors, the Municipal Court and Prosecutor will also be able to account for time served on Class C misdemeanors when appropriate.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2017, on first reading, as presented, and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Wood

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

City Manager Matt Sturgeon reported on the following items: State of the Community, Strategic Planning, and the pool.

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore stated a test shooting of fireworks for the Independence Day Celebration will occur on February 12th.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Comments were heard from: Councilor Elliott, Councilor Green, Councilor Hamilton, Councilor Pruett, Councilor Wood, and Mayor Pro Tem Clifton.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor