

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 p.m. * Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Randy Winkler.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Matt Sturgeon, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu, Assistant City Manager Kimberly Bullen, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Assistant Salvador Tovar, Chief of Police Thomas Klein, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore, Public Works Director Rick Barth, Utility Director Jim Miller, Mike Hinkley, Doug Goldsmith, Don Porter, Glenn Ault, Ted Smith, and Tim Blackham.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the February 1, 2017 Regular Meeting
- B. (*Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority*) Liquor License Renewals: Walter Enterprises LLC dba Jay's and Kum & Go LC dba Kum & Go #921
- C. Penalties for Class C Municipal Misdemeanors - Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2017 – 2nd reading
- D. Grant application for bleachers at Taughenbaugh Field to Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District (GCFMLD) - Resolutions No. 5, Series of 2017
- E. Grant application for Phase I – Construction of south water line for the North/South Rifle Integration project to Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District (GCFMLD) - Resolutions No. 6, Series of 2017

Councilor Pruett moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D and E; seconded by Councilor Wood.

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Citizen comments were heard.

PRESENTATION FROM QUESTAR ON PIPELINE REPLACEMENT

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist noted Questar is preparing for replacement of an interstate high-pressure gas pipeline that runs through North Rifle. Construction will take place from May to September 2017. Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit for the project at their January 31, 2017 meeting. Questar has a preexisting right-of-way easement.

Questar presented to Council a general overview of the plan for the project. Questar is regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

UPDATE FROM MOUNTAIN WASTE AND RECYCLING (MIKE HINKLEY AND DOUG GOLDSMITH)

Mike Hinkley and Doug Goldsmith representatives from Mountain Waste and Recycling presented a diversion report for 2016 on trash and recycling tonnage.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF BUCKET TRUCK (RICK BARTH)

Public Works Director Rick Barth explained the City's current bucket truck is over 30-years old and has numerous and unrepairable problems. Staff recommends approval of the purchase of a new bucket truck in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 from the Fleet Fund.

Councilor Elliot moved to approve the purchase of a new bucket truck in an amount not to exceed \$25,000; seconded by Councilor Green.

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

CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF LAND DONATION (MATT STURGEON)

City Manager Matt Sturgeon explained B-to-B Investments is offering to donate 14 lots (approximately 13 acres) within the Rifle Business Park to the City of Rifle. The conditions of the donations states the City will be pay closing costs, sales commission to realtor responsible for properties, and property taxes. These fees will be paid from the Tourism and Industry Fund. There is no stipulation regarding future use of the property by the City. Staff recommends City Council accept the donation.

Councilor Clifton moved to approve acceptance of the land donation and pay fees outlined in the agreement; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

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

CONSIDER BUILDING USE AGREEMENT WITH MIDDLE COLORADO RIVER WATERSHED COUNCIL (MATT STURGEON)

City Manager Matt Sturgeon stated the City leases the property on which the Rifle Information Center is located from CDOT. The current term of the CDOT lease runs through 2022 with the option for another ten-year extension. The Rifle Area Chamber of Commerce utilized the Information Center for years, but has since vacated the building. The Middle Colorado Watershed Council and staff have been creating a Building Use Agreement for Watershed Council's use of the Information Center. Staff recommends Council authorize entering into the agreement.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve the Building Use Agreement with the Middle Colorado River Watershed Council; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

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

UPDATE ON WATER TREATMENT PLANT (JIM MILLER)

Utility Director Jim Miller presented to Council a contractor and vendor participation summary and gave a detailed report on the water utility capital projects and construction progress of the new water treatment plant.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

No Administrative Reports were given.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

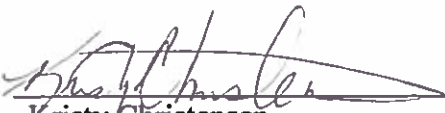
Comments were heard from: Councilor Clifton, Councilor Elliott, Councilor Green, Councilor Hamilton, Councilor Pruett, Councilor Wood, and Mayor Winkler.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING POSITIONS RELATIVE TO MATTERS THAT MAY BE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS, DEVELOPING STRATEGY FOR NEGOTIATIONS, AND/OR INSTRUCTING NEGOTIATORS, UNDER C.R.S. SECTION 24-6-402(4)(E). (RIGHT-OF-WAY AND FACILITIES)

Councilor Elliott moved to go into executive session to discuss negotiations; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

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

Upon return to Regular Meeting following conclusion of the executive session, meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor