

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, July 5, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 p.m. * Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:00 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.

Councilor Elliott moved to excuse Councilor Wood from tonight's meeting; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Interim City Manager Kimberly Bullen, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Assistant Salvador Tovar, Chief of Police Thomas Klein, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore, Court Administrator Kathy Pototsky, Garfield County Commissioner Mike Samson, Garfield County Fairgrounds Manager Debra Adams, and Alex Zorn.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the June 07, 2017 Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes from the June 19, 2017 Special Meeting
- C. *(Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority)* Liquor License Renewals: Tedrex Inc dba Choice Liquors and GMT Investments LLC dba Black Bear Liquors
- D. Annexing to the City real property known as the Rifle Animal Shelter Annexation No 2 - Ordinance No. 17, Series of 2017 – 2nd Reading
- E. Zoning real property known as Animal Shelter Annexation No. 2 Public (PZ) Zone District and Developing Resources (DR) Zone District - Ordinance No. 18, Series of 2017 – 2nd Reading
- F. Designating persons authorized to sign City checks – Resolution No.14, Series of 2017

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

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton (abstained as to items A & B), Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Winkler

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizen comments were heard from Mike Hinkley Mountain Waste District Manager on notifying the City when trash service is interrupted.

GARFIELD COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS UPDATE AND FUTURE EVENTS

Garfield County Commissioner Mike Samson and Garfield County Fairgrounds Manager Debra Adams gave an update on the Garfield County Fairgrounds improvements, upcoming events, and possible future events; such as the State High School Rodeo Finals.

CONSIDER AMENDING THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO MUNICIPAL COURT FEES FOR KEEPING OF POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ANIMALS, AND THE CLASSIFICATION OF GENERAL PENALTY CODE VIOLATIONS - ORDINANCE NO. 19, SERIES OF 2017 – 1ST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTERS 2, 7, AND 10 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO MUNICIPAL COURT FEES, THE KEEPING OF POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ANIMALS, AND THE CLASSIFICATION OF GENERAL PENALTY CODE VIOLATIONS.

Court Administrator Kathy Pototsky explained staff has identified sections of the Rifle Municipal Code that should be amended based on recent legislation from the General Assembly and practical considerations in the City. Ordinance No 19 amends Chapters 2, 7, and 10 of the Rifle Municipal Code. Amending Chapter 2 to set forth the circumstances in which a defendant may have his or her municipal court records sealed. Section 7-6-80, pertaining to vicious and dangerous animals in the City, has been amended to remove the socialization and behavior program requirement for animals adjudicated as vicious or dangerous. Several criminal ordinances under Chapter 10 have been amended to increase the maximum dollar amounts of stolen or damaged property that can be cited into Municipal Court. By increasing the dollar amount to \$1,000, the City can maintain more jurisdictional control over relatively minor incidents and prevent many young, first time offenders from being charged into the state criminal system.

Councilor Hamilton moved to approve the Ordinance No. 19 Series of 2017 on first reading, as presented, and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Clifton.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, and Winkler

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Interim City Manager Kimberly Bullen reported on the following items: thanked everyone who assisted in the Independence Day Celebration, CDOT street light updates, Middle Colorado River cleanup, and City Manager search.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION - FOR DISCUSSION OF A PERSONNEL MATTER UNDER C.R.S. SECTION 24-6-402(2) (F) AND NOT INVOLVING: ANY SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE REQUESTED DISCUSSION OF THE MATTER IN OPEN SESSION; ANY MEMBER OF THIS BODY OR ANY ELECTED OFFICIAL; THE APPOINTMENT OF ANY PERSON TO FILL AN OFFICE OF THIS BODY OR OF AN ELECTED OFFICIAL; OR PERSONNEL POLICIES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS PERSONAL TO PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES (INTERIM CITY MANAGER)

Councilor Elliott moved to go into executive session to discuss negotiations and property; seconded by Councilor Green.

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

Upon return to Regular Meeting following conclusion of the executive session, meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor