RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, September 5, 2018

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 Barbara Clifton.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Councilors Joe Carpenter, Joe Elliott, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Clint Hostettler, Sean Strode and Mayor Barbara Clifton

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Scott Hahn, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Michael Churchill, Chief of Police Tommy Klein, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Finance Director Michelle Duran, Utilities Operations Manager Robert Burns, Rifle Police Department Detectives, Rifle Police Department Sergeants, Rifle Police Department Officers, Annick Pruett, Brad Keller, Trenton Hinze, Kenda Spaulding, Jim Coombs, Mark Jenkins, Darren Laging, John Howe, Ann Adams, Ryan Spaustat, Jessica Wilson, Terry Schmidt, Chad Wagner, Connie Wilmot, and Joel Carpenter.

CITIZEN COMMENTS
Citizen comments were heard from Ibrahim and he was concerned that he was being labeled as a terrorist.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

A. Minutes from the July 2, 2018 Regular Meeting
B. (Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority) Liquor License Renewal for Roaring Fork Grill, LLC dba Brickhouse Pizzeria

Councilor Hamilton moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A and B; seconded by Councilor Strode.
Roll Call: Yes - Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Hostettler, Strode and Clifton

ACTION, IF ANY, ON WORKSHOP ITEMS
Mayor and Council gave direction to staff to draft an Ordinance to change the Rifle Municipal Code (RMC) regulating marijuana businesses. The following are the RMC changes requested:

- Expand the number of allowed cultivation licenses to seven total cultivation licenses and eliminate the dual license requirement for cultivation facilities.
- Allow the three existing medical marijuana centers the right to convert to retail marijuana centers at their choice.
- Future recreational and medical marijuana centers will be allowed only in Light Industrial zoning districts areas and additional separation.
- An additional sales tax amount of 5% for retail marijuana centers.
- Any vacant marijuana business licenses will be issued by lottery.

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW CITY OF RIFLE POLICE OFFICER SHELBY McNEAL
City Clerk Kristy Christensen administered the Oath to Office for new City of Rifle Police Officer Shelby McNeal.

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM GRAND RIVER HOSPITAL DISTRICT ON INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE NURSING HOME
Jim Coombs, Brad Keller, Ryan Spaustat, and Darren Laging representatives from the Grand River Hospital District presented the plan for their new Senior Care Center project and they are requesting the City contribute funding portions of the infrastructure for the new facility. During the schematic design phase of the new Senior Care Center project, several problems were encountered and several conditions at the site that will need to be addressed before they begin construction. Grand River Hospital District would like the City to share some of those costs. The infrastructure items that need to be addressed and the estimated costs for these additional items are: moving overhead power lines to

underground would cost approximately $81,000, Hospital Hill Road relocation would cost approximately $500,000, Complete Hospital Hill Road to Water Plant would cost approximately $250,000, sidewalks from Jared Avenue to 5th Street would cost approximately $150,000. The total estimated cost for those projects is $981,000 and Grand River Hospital District would like the City to consider funding $370,000 of those projects.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF TWO VEHICLES FOR UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Utilities Operations Manager Robert Burns stated the Utility Department budgeted for the purchase of two vehicles this year. Staff solicited pricing for these vehicles and the lowest bids received were from Glenwood Springs Ford in amount of $27,428.36 and Mountain Chevy in the amount of $28,717. Staff recommends the approval to purchase the two vehicles.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve the purchase of two vehicles for the Utilities Department, one from Glenwood Springs Ford in amount of $27,428.36 and one from Mountain Chevy in amount of $28,717; seconded by Councilor Hostettler.
Roll Call: Yes - Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Hostettler, Strode, and Clifton

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FOR LOAN RATE LOCK-IN FOR SWIMMING POOL PROJECT FINANCING

Finance Director Michelle Duran noted staff requested proposals for the swimming pool project lending and seven proposals were received. The proposal from American National Bank had the lowest interest rate at 3.3% for twenty years. The loan interest rate lock-in deadline for American National Bank is September 15, 2018. Staff recommends approving the loan interest rate lock-in for the swimming pool project with American National Bank.

Councilor Green moved to approve the loan interest rate lock-in for the swimming pool project from ANB with an interest rate of 3.3% for 20 years; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.
Roll Call: Yes - Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Hostettler, Strode and Clifton

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Administrative reports were given from Kristy Christensen, Scott Hahn, and Chief of Police

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Comments were heard from Councilors Joe Carpenter, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Sean Strode and Mayor Barbara Clifton

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Kristy Christensen
City Clerk

Barbara Clifton
Mayor