

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 15, 2014

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 ON ROLL CALL: Councilors Barb Clifton, Joe Elliott, Jay Miller, Dirk Myers, Jonathan Rice, and Mayor Randy Winkler.

Councilor Rice moved to excuse Councilor Rich Carter from tonight’s meeting; seconded by Councilor Clifton. Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Rice, Winkler

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Sturgeon, City Manager; Lisa Hamilton, City Clerk; Jim Neu, City Attorney; Michael Churchill, Rifle Community Television Assistant Manager; Rick Barth, City Engineer; John Dyer, Police Chief; Nathan Lindquist, Planning Director; and Bobby O’Dell, Public Works Superintendent.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the October 1, 2014 special and regular meetings
- B. Special Event Liquor Permit: Grand River Hospital District Volunteer Association for November 14, 2014
- C. August 2014 Sales Tax Report
- D. August 2014 Financial Report
- E. Accounts Payable

Councilor Miller moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, and E; seconded by Councilor Rice. Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Rice, Winkler

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

CONSIDER RECEIVING HOWARD AVENUE PARK AND OPEN SPACE DONATION

City Manager Matt Sturgeon explained that Robert Christensen and his family wish to give approximately 1.45 acres to the City of Rifle for use as parkland and/or open space. The subject property is located on the northwest corner of West 16th Street and Howard Avenue. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and staff recommended the land be accepted and banked for future parkland needs.

Council thanked the Christensen family for its generosity.

Councilor Rice moved to accept the Howard Avenue Park and Open Space Donation from the Robert Byron Christensen Revocable Trust; seconded by Councilor Myers. Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Rice, Winkler

NEIGHBORHOOD SNOW REMOVAL FOR 2014-15

Council discussed with Public Works Superintendent Bobby O’Dell the neighborhood snow removal plan for 2014-15. Starting this year, flat streets will not be plowed until 4-6 inches of snow accumulate.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Sturgeon reported to Council on tree pruning and removal planned for this fall. Council discussed sight distance issues at various locations in the City.

Police Chief John Dyer reported on scheduling emergency management classes for City officials, and the drill held at Rifle High School last week.

Mr. O’Dell reported on new signage placed at the perimeter of the new water treatment plant site. Only people associated with plant construction may enter the property.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Council congratulated Laboratory Technician Marsha McCormick on 20 years of service to the City of Rifle.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Lisa K. Hamilton
City Clerk

Randy Winkler
Mayor