

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 5, 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 Rich Carter, Barb Clifton, Jay Miller, Dirk Myers, Hans Parkinson, and Mayor Randy Winkler.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Sturgeon, City Manager; Lisa Cain, City Clerk; Jim Neu, City Attorney; Jim Bell, Rifle Community Television Manager; Michael Churchill, Rifle Community Television Assistant Manager; Kimberly Bullen, Government Affairs Coordinator; Kristy Christensen, Deputy City Clerk; John Dyer, Police Chief; Tom Whitmore, Parks and Recreation Director; Ava Bowles; Carleton Hoffmeister; Rhonda Hunter; and Mike McKibbin.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the January 15, 2014 Regular Meeting
- B. Authorize Garfield Clean Energy Collaborative Membership Contribution
- C. Revise educational liquor training regulations – Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2014 (2nd reading)
- D. Designate Representative to County Health Pool
- E. Accept Department of Local Affairs grant for water treatment plant generator
- F. Visitor Improvement Fund Advisory Board appointment
- G. November 2013 Financial Report
- H. Accounts Payable
- I. Liquor License Renewal: Kum & Go #921

Councilor Miller moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I; seconded by Councilor Myers. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Miller, Myers, Parkinson, Winkler

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND LIVE CALL-IN

There were no citizen comments or live call-ins.

PRESENT CITIZEN RECOGNITION AWARD TO RHONDA HUNTER

Police Chief John Dyer presented a Citizen Recognition Award to Rhonda Hunter for her assistance in eliciting information that led to the arrest of a suspect in connection with recent spray-painted graffiti vandalism.

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

Rifle Snowmobile Club President Carleton Hoffmeister requested a waiver of all parking fees for the club's annual Poker Run fundraising event on February 16 at Huffman Gulch.

Councilor Carter moved to waive parking fees at Huffman Gulch for the Rifle Snowmobile Club's Annual Poker Run on February 16; seconded by Councilor Parkinson. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Miller, Myers, Parkinson, Winkler

CONSIDER AWARDING CONTRACT FOR DEERFIELD PARK PHASE 1

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore explained that the City solicited bids for the core of Deerfield Regional Park Phase 1: project contingency, geo-technical testing, the main building, a portion of the concrete flatwork and landscaping, the concrete foundation for bleachers, (bleachers are being bid separately), and parking lot lighting. Items such as extended plaza work and landscaping, at-grade dugouts, below-grade dugouts, and parking lot landscaping were listed as alternates. The lowest bid for the core work was \$1,052,244, by PNCI Construction, Inc.

The budget for the core work and the alternate work is \$1,233,422. There is no capacity to fund any of the alternate work. Additional funds will be needed to purchase the bleacher system. The bleacher system is a critical component of this project. Mr. Whitmore recommended that Council authorize the appropriation of \$125,000 from Parkland Dedication reserves to ensure the bleachers can be included in the project.

Councilor Miller moved to award PNCI the contract to construct the Deerfield Regional Park – Phase 1 project in an amount not to exceed \$1,052,244, and authorize the expenditure of up to \$125,000 of Parkland Dedication monies for the purpose of completing the bleacher system; seconded by Councilor Carter. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Miller, Myers, Parkinson, Winkler

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF COMMUNITY TELEVISION RESERVE FUNDS

Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Manager Jim Bell reported that RCTV is planning to submit a mini-grant application to the Federal Mineral Lease District (FMLD) to upgrade the RCTV system from analog to digital and a High Definition format. This involves a complete conversion of the workflow from the camera to playback. This project can be done in two phases over a two year period. The first phase will cost approximately \$55,000. RCTV plans to ask the FMLD for \$25,000.

Councilor Parkinson moved to authorize the total cost of the Rifle Community Television Digital Upgrade project of up to \$55,000 be spent from the RCTV capital equipment budget, provided that up to \$30,000 of this total would come from the RCTV capital reserve account and the difference of up to \$25,000 would be reimbursed by a Federal Mineral Lease District grant if approved; seconded by Councilor Miller. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Miller, Myers, Parkinson, Winkler

CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR UTE THEATRE FURNITURE

City Manager Matt Sturgeon explained that pursuant to the Rifle Purchasing Code, a request for proposal was noticed to supply furniture for the Ute Theatre. Five bids were received. Mr. Sturgeon recommended that Council award the bid to the low bidder, ProSpace, in an amount not to exceed \$55,823.

The award amount was reduced from \$77,155 to \$55,823, because staff met following the bid opening and refined the furniture type and quantity with the low bidder. The established furniture budget is \$90,000. Staff needs to acquire additional furniture for the dressing rooms and green room. Staff intends to use the Habitat for Humanity Restore to acquire specific furniture pieces.

Councilor Carter moved to award ProSpace the contract to provide furniture for the Ute Theatre in an amount not to exceed \$55,823; seconded by Councilor Miller. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Miller, Myers, Parkinson, Winkler

CONSIDER AMENDING RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE WITH RESPECT TO SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBER APPOINTMENTS - ORDINANCE NO. 2, SERIES OF 2014 – 1ST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 2-7-20 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING MEMBERSHIP AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD

City Attorney Jim Neu reported that the Senior Center Advisory Board would like to amend its Bylaws and the Rifle Municipal Code to stagger the terms of appointed alternate members. Proposed Ordinance No. 2, Series of 2014 would make the required changes to the Code that will allow the Board to amend its Bylaws accordingly. To provide for overlapping terms of office, the Board would consist of three classes of members. The first class would consist of two members and one alternate. The second class would consist of two members and one alternate. The third class would consist of three members and no alternates. Depending on where things currently stand with the existing Board, staff recommended that Council proceed with the appointment of Class One this year, Class Two in 2015, and Class Three in 2016. If there are two alternates in the three member/two alternate class now serving, staff would recommend that Council immediately reapportion those alternates to the two-member Classes, which may be all that is needed to re-align the Board.

Councilor Carter moved to approve Ordinance No. 2, Series of 2014, on first reading as presented and to order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Myers. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Miller, Myers, Parkinson, Winkler

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Sturgeon reported to Council on the following issues: North Rifle water line; sedimentation basin; Main Street Program; strategic planning; and snow and ice control.

City Clerk Lisa Cain informed Council that a workshop with the Garfield School District Re2 Board of Directors is scheduled for February 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Neu noted that staff would bring to Council for its consideration an amendment to the Model Traffic Code on driving without a valid driver's license.

Chief Dyer reported that K9 Daro had retired, and the Police Department had recently made arrests in connection with counterfeit money.

Mr. Whitmore announced that the City was seeking applicants to serve on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilor Parkinson thanked City crews for snow removal, City Aquatics Coordinator Linda Stilson for making the community a good place, and Ava Bowles for her interest in City Council meetings.

Councilor Miller reported on discussions at the recent Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC) meeting: illegal closure of roads by the Bureau of Land Management; a visit by the Mayor and staff of Escalante, Utah, about pending resource development in the area of Escalante; Executive Director Scott McInnis' planned discussion with Governor Hickenlooper; and the possibility of a grant to pay the City's AGNC membership fee.

Councilor Clifton encouraged citizens to attend First Friday events on February 7 starting at 4:00 PM.

Councilor Myers received an update on construction of solar panels at City Hall and the Police Department, and closure of the Cacaloco composting site.

Mayor Winkler noted that the Doonesbury comic currently features a fictional Colorado city named Riffles.

Lisa H. Cain
City Clerk

Randy Winkler
Mayor