

**RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, November 5, 2014

SPECIAL MEETING

6:00 p.m. \* Conference Room

A special meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Randy Winkler.

**PRESENT ON ROLL CALL:** Councilors Rich Carter, Barb Clifton, Joe Elliott, Jay Miller, Dirk Myers, and Mayor Randy Winkler.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matt Sturgeon, City Manager; Lisa Hamilton, City Clerk; Jim Neu, City Attorney; and Victor Zerbi, Municipal Judge.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF A PERSONNEL MATTER UNDER CRS 24-6-402(2)(F) AND NOT INVOLVING: (1) ANY SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE REQUESTED DISCUSSION OF THE MATTER IN OPEN SESSION; (2) ANY MEMBER OF THIS BODY OR ANY ELECTED OFFICIAL; (3) THE APPOINTMENT OF ANY PERSON TO FILL AN OFFICE OF THIS BODY OR OF AN ELECTED OFFICIAL; OR (4) PERSONNEL POLICIES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE DISCUSSION OF MATTERS PERSONAL TO PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES**

Councilor Miller moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel matters; seconded by Councilor Elliott. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler

Council returned to open session at 6:50 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, November 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, Joe Elliott, Jay Miller, Dirk Myers, and Mayor Randy Winkler.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matt Sturgeon, City Manager; Lisa Hamilton, City Clerk; Jim Neu, City Attorney; Jim Bell, Rifle Community Television Manager; Rick Barth, City Engineer; Dick Deussen, Utilities Director; John Dyer, Police Chief; Charles Kelty, Finance Director; Tom Whitmore, Parks and Recreation Director; Zach Kelty; Matt Piper; Jeremiah Prunty; and John Scalzo.

**CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

- A. Minutes from the October 15, 2014 regular meeting
- B. Accept Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District (GCFMLD) grant for North Waste Impoundment Facility Conversion – Resolution No. 18, Series of 2014
- C. Accept GCFMLD grant for Railroad Avenue Improvements – Resolution No. 19, Series of 2014
- D. Special Event Liquor Permit: Grand River Hospital District Volunteer Association for December 5, 2014 (approve permit; cancel public hearing)
- E. Special Event Liquor Permit: Grand River Hospital District Volunteer Association for December 6, 2014 (approve permit; cancel public hearing)
- F. Special Event Liquor Permit: Grand River Hospital District Volunteer Association for December 13, 2014 (approve permit; cancel public hearing)
- G. Accounts Payable

Councilor Miller moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F, and G; seconded by Councilor Clifton. Roll Call: Yes – Carter (abstaining as to Item A), Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

Councilor Rice joined the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

**VETERANS MEMORIAL PHASE 3 INTRODUCTION**

John Scalzo presented information about and requested funding for Phase 3 of the Veterans Memorial.

**CONSIDER APPOINTING CITIZENS TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

City Manager Matt Sturgeon explained that the Planning Commission currently has three vacant seats—one regular seat and two alternate seats. Dana Wood and Sean Strode have submitted letters of interest in serving on the Commission.

Councilor Clifton moved to appoint Dana Wood and Sean Strode to the Planning Commission for terms ending April 1, 2017; seconded by Councilor Miller. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Rice, Winkler

Councilor Clifton moved to appoint Dana Wood as a regular member of the Commission and Sean Strode as an alternate member of the Commission; seconded by Councilor Carter. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Rice, Winkler

**CONSIDER HIGHWAY 13/HIGHWAY 6 DEVOLUTION INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – RESOLUTION NO. 17, SERIES OF 2014**

City Engineer Rick Barth reminded Council that the City applied to the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for the devolution of a portion of Highway 13 and a portion of Highway 6 that would be conveyed to the

City for its ownership, maintenance and control. As part of the devolution process, the City needs to enter into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with CDOT that sets forth the terms and conditions of the conveyance of the right-of-way, which will include a payment of \$5.6 million to the City representing CDOT's estimated 20 year maintenance budget on these segments. Staff recommended approval of Resolution No. 17, Series of 2014, approving the IGA.

Councilor Miller moved to approve Resolution No. 17, Series of 2014; seconded by Councilor Myers. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Rice, Winkler

### **PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDER 2015 PROPOSED BUDGET**

Mayor Winkler opened the public hearing. Mr. Sturgeon and Finance Director Charles Kelty provided an overview of the proposed 2015 budget. Council discussed the following funds: General Fund, Street Operations and Maintenance Fund, Street Capital Fund, Conservation Trust Fund, Economic Development Fund, Visitor Improvement Fund, Downtown Development Authority Fund, Rifle Information Center Fund, Urban Renewal Authority Fund, Capital Fund, and Parks and Recreation Fund.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Mr. Sturgeon reported to Council on these issues: Operations & Maintenance (Streets) projects; new Senior Center Director Tami Sours; and water storage tank repairs.

City Clerk Lisa Hamilton reported to Council on 2015 strategic planning.

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore reported on Deerfield Park construction.

Police Chief John Dyer expressed his appreciation to staff on recent arrests. He also reported on the Public Safety Citizens Advisory Board, and a community engagement plan with the Spanish-speaking community.

### **COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

Councilor Myers commented on the upcoming Energy Advisory Board work session.

Councilor Miller reported on items discussed at the recent meeting of the Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado.

Councilor Rice encouraged the community to attend the presentation of Treasure Island by the Rifle High School (RHS) Drama Club.

Councilor Elliott thanked the City for the plaque he received for serving on the Planning Commission.

Councilors cheered for the RHS Bears football team as it moves into the playoffs.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

---

Lisa K. Hamilton  
City Clerk

---

Randy Winkler  
Mayor