

**RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

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 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 Myers. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Manager Matt Sturgeon; City Clerk Lisa Hamilton; City Attorney Jim Neu; Rifle Community Television Assistant Manager Michael Churchill; Police Officer Max Bowen; Assistant City Manager Kimberly Bullen; Police Officer Carlos Cornejo; Utilities Director Dick Deussen; Police Chief John Dyer; Police Sergeant Mike Kuper; Resident Engineer Jim Miller; Police Sergeant Diego Pina; Police Office Manager Robin Steffen; Police Officer Stephanie Straw and her family; Police Officer Will VanTeylingen; Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore; Police Sergeant Kirk Wilson; and Eric Romero.

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

- A. Minutes from the January 7, 2015 Special and Regular Meetings
- B. Auditor Engagement Letter
- C. Memorandum of Understanding with Department of Local Affairs for Main Street Program
- D. Accounts Payable

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

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO POLICE OFFICER STEPHANIE STRAW**

Police Chief John Dyer introduced newly-hired Police Officer Stephanie Straw and administered the oath of office to her.

**CONSIDER GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE ON TASK #1 CONTRACT TO MOLTZ CONSTRUCTION FOR THE RIFLE REGIONAL WATER PURIFICATION FACILITY (ACTING AS WATER ENTERPRISE)**

City Manager Matt Sturgeon reported that Moltz Construction had submitted a price of \$6,402,888 on the contract for Task #1 of the new water treatment plant construction. Utilities Director Dick Deussen and Resident Engineer Jim Miller reviewed Moltz’ submission and believe there could be some adjustments to this price. Council had previously authorized staff to enter into water treatment plant contracts such as this. Staff requested that Council endorse entering into this contract.

Councilor Myers moved to approve up to \$6.5 million for the contract for Task #1 for the Rifle Regional Water Purification Facility; seconded by Councilor Elliott. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler

**CONSIDER AUTHORIZING SGM TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 3 MILLION GALLON RESERVOIR REHABILITATION (ACTING AS WATER ENTERPRISE)**

Mr. Deussen and Mr. Miller reported that they requested SGM Incorporated to provide an estimate for the engineering cost for rehabilitation of the existing 3 million gallon (MG) reservoir as well as the engineering cost for design of a new 2 MG reservoir. Staff recommends proceeding with this design so that it is ready when needed. The cost for this work is estimated at \$70,000 and will be invoiced by time and expense.

Councilor Carter moved to authorize SGM Incorporated to provide engineering services for the 3 million gallon reservoir rehabilitation project and a new 2 million gallon tank for an amount not to exceed \$70,000; seconded by Councilor Elliott. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler

**CONSIDER DEERFIELD REGIONAL PARK PHASE 1 AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH PNCI**

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore explained that some final items on the Deerfield Phase 1 Construction Project must be delayed until spring. The concession/press box/restroom building and the new dugouts are essentially complete. The larger component of work that remains to be completed is Plaza concrete. The quality of the product will be best if the work is performed in warmer weather. PNCI will be responsible for assuring safe ingress and egress to the complex by the public during early spring baseball and spring soccer, until the concrete and all other items are finished and the contractors have vacated the site. Staff expects to have a Certificate of Occupancy for the building and to use the building, bleachers, and dugouts, when Rifle High School baseball begins.

Councilor Miller moved to approve the First Amendment to the Construction Agreement with PNCI for Deerfield Regional Park Phase 1; seconded by Councilor Clifton. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler

**CONSIDER REPEALING SECTION 8-1-120 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ENFORCEMENT OF PARKING AND RELATED RESTRICTIONS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY - ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES OF 2015 – 1ST READING**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, REPEALING SECTION 8-1-120 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ENFORCEMENT BY THE CITY OF RIFLE OF PARKING AND RELATED RESTRICTIONS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Police Chief John Dyer stated concerns with the Rifle Police Department enforcing private parking restrictions. As a matter of public policy, the Police Department’s focus should be on public safety and order, not on private property issues. Proposed Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2015, would repeal the section of the Rifle Municipal Code allowing the Police Department to enforce parking restrictions on private property. The Police Department would still be able to enforce handicapped parking restrictions and fire lane restrictions. The down side of this repeal is that the Department would not be able to assist private property owners in parking disputes by issuing tickets. The Department could still help by mediation, though.

Councilor Miller moved to approve Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2015, on first reading, as presented, and to order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Clifton. Roll Call: Yes – Carter, Clifton, Elliott, Miller, Myers, Winkler.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Mr. Sturgeon wished his daughter happy birthday. He reported on a water line break and a diesel fuel spill.

**COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

Councilor Elliott reported that the Rifle Housing Authority received Federal Mineral Lease District grants.

Councilor Clifton congratulated Kimberly Bullen on her promotion to Assistant City Manager.

Councilor Myers wished his daughter happy birthday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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Lisa K. Hamilton  
City Clerk

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Randy Winkler  
Mayor