

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 p.m. * Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Randy Winkler.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Councilors Barbara Clifton, Joe Elliott, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Annick Pruett, Dana Wood, and Mayor Randy Winkler.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Matt Sturgeon; City Clerk Kristy Christensen; City Attorney Jim Neu; Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Manager Michael Churchill; Police Chief John Dyer; Planning Director Nathan Lindquist; Utility Director Jim Miller; Public Works Superintendent Bobby O'Dell; O & M Construction Crew Leader Mitch Walpole; O & M Streets Crew Leader Mike Altman; AmeriCorps Intern Cathleen Anthony; Susan Nichols-Alvis; Lisa Zeman; Tim Zeman; Amanda Ingle; Steve Fuller; Sean Strode; Dan LeMoine; Jake Mall; Larry Matlock; Amy Shipley; Becky Mall; Garrick Frontella; and Ryan Hoffman;

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the January 6, 2016 Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes from the January 6, 2016 Special Meeting
- C. (*Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority*) Liquor License Renewal – Kum & Go #922
- D. (*Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority*) Stipulations, Agreements, and Orders in the Matters of Eagle Springs Organic LLC dba Eagle Springs Meats and Farm Fresh Café
- E. (*Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority*) Set public hearing on application for liquor license by City of Rifle dba Ute Theatre and Events Center for February 3rd Council Meeting
- F. (*Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority*) Set public hearing on application for liquor license by Rachael's Sculpted Nails, Inc. dba Shear Intensity Hair, Nail & Tanning Salon for February 3rd Council Meeting
- G. Accounts Payable

Councilor Elliott moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E, F and G; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Hamilton, Green, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments

CONSIDER APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH DOLA FOR THE MAIN STREET PROGRAM

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist explained Rifle is a participant in the Colorado Main Street Program which is administered by the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). DOLA requires that each participant in the Colorado Main Street Program agrees to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The MOU outlines the expectations and requirements of each party. Staff believes that Rifle's participation in the Main Street program is beneficial to the community and recommends approval of the Memorandum of Understanding.

Councilor Green moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Local Affairs; seconded by Councilor Wood.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Hamilton, Green, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CONSIDER AMENDING RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE PROCESS OF ISSUING SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS - ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES OF 2016 – 1ST READING

AMENDING SECTION 6-5-120 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE PROCESS OF ISSUING SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS

City Attorney Jim Neu notes the State statute authorizes the City Council to delegate authority to administratively issue Special Event Liquor Permits. Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2016 amends the Rifle Municipal Code to grant that authority to the City Clerk. It also incorporates statutory language for when a hearing should be held on an application.

Councilor Hamilton moved to approve Ordinance No. 1 Series of 2016, on first reading as presented, and order the ordinance to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Hamilton, Green, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF PYTHON 5000 POTHOLE MACHINE

Public Works Superintendent Bobby O'Dell explained the Python 5000 pothole patcher is the only machine that meets our specifications. The Python 5000 pothole patcher will be used year round and can fill more potholes than a conventional crew using a single employee. The manufacturer has offered to sell us a new unit for \$290,000.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve the purchase of the Python 5000 pothole machine in an amount not to exceed \$290,000.00; seconded by Councilor Pruett.

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Hamilton, Green, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

DISCUSSION ON HUBBARD MESA RECREATION MANAGEMENT ALTERNATIVES AND BLM PROCESS

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist gave a brief summary of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Roan Plateau Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). The draft plan and supplemental environmental impact statement consider issues including Hubbard Mesa area near Rifle. Safety in that area has become a concern because the area is popular for recreational shooting and mountain biking. The only alternative restricting recreational target shooting is Alternative #3. Alternative #4 is currently the BLM's preferred alternative. The City of Rifle is a cooperative agency with BLM and can submit comments on the SEIS. The comment deadline is February 18th.

Jim Neu stated this is a BLM process which is allowing City Council to give written comments. The City does not have any jurisdiction on the matter.

Comments on this agenda item were heard from Jake Mall, Sean Strode, Daniel LeMoine, Lisa Zeman, Susan Nichols-Alvis, Steven Fuller, Stacey Hart, Garrick Frontella, Becky Mall, and Amy Shipley

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

City Manager Matt Sturgeon reported on scheduling for the 2016 Strategic Planning.

Public Works Superintendent Bobby O'Dell reported on the following issues: snowplowing, repairing potholes, and Roland Klocker's retirement

Utility Director Jim Miller gave a brief update on the Rifle Regional Water Purification Facility Construction

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilor Hamilton gave an update on the Garfield RE2 Superintendent search.

Councilor Green noted he will be attending the Club 20 legislative meeting tomorrow and Friday.

Councilor Clifton thanked the Citizen who attended tonight's meeting and gave comments.

Councilor Elliott stated he was sorry for the loss of Jack Smith who he believes is an Icon in this area.

Councilor Pruett expressed her appreciation for the thoughts, prayers, and outreach from the community.

Councilor Wood mentioned the Lower Valley Trails group (LoVa) was listed on the Governor's list of high-priority trail projects.

Mayor Randy Winkler thanked the Search and Rescue members for their efforts in finding the three missing snowmobilers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE, ACQUISITION, LEASE, TRANSFER, OR SALE OF REAL, PERSONAL, OR OTHER PROPERTY INTEREST UNDER CRS SECTION 26-6-402(4)(A) (JIM NEU)

Councilor Elliott moved to adjourn to executive session to discuss property interests; seconded Councilor Wood. Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Hamilton, Green, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

Upon return to open session following conclusion of the executive session, meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor