

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

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 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, RCTV Assistant Salvador Tovar, Police Sergeant Mike Tyler, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore, Rifle Municipal Court Clerk Kathy Pototsky, Ryan Hoffman, Norma Miller, Jay Miller, Don Locke, Howard Thrailkill, Mark Sill, Bob Statler, Bryan Semel, Richard Sinnott, Steve Clark, Susan Clark, Leif Sackett, Jon Wilson, Jonathan Rice, Cathleen Anthony, Gary Miller, and Dan Meskin

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the April 6, 2016 Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes from the April 6, 2016 Special Meeting
- C. Financial Reports
- D. (*Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority*) Approve Manager Registration for Eagle Springs Meats and Farm Fresh Café
- E. Accounts Payable

Councilor Green moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, and E; seconded by Councilor Pruett.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizen comments were heard from Jay Miller in opposition of Retail Marijuana.

COUNCIL RECOGNITION FOR FIRE CHIEF MIKE MORGAN

Rifle City Council honors Fire Chief Mike Morgan for his thirty years of service to the community.

CONSIDER AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ACTION PARK LIGHTING PROJECT

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore explained proposals were received to replace the sports lighting at Action Park with new poles and L.E.D. parking lot style fixtures which will require less energy, less maintenance, and less light will spill into the surrounding area. Two proposals were received from local electrical companies; Walker Electric for \$52,500.00 and Expert Electric for \$48,567.62. Staff recommends approval of the low bidder, Expert Electric. I request that council approve the project for \$50,000.00 so we have a small contingency, if needed

Councilor Elliott moved to approve the purchase of new lighting at the Action Park in an amount not to exceed \$50,000; seconded by Councilor Wood.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

CONSIDER JUVENILE SENTENCING FOR MINOR IN POSSESSION - ORDINANCE NO. 11, SERIES OF 2016 – 1ST READING

City Attorney Jim Neu noted that the code currently references a Colorado Statute that was repealed in 2002. Ordinance No. 11, Series of 2016 removes the outdated reference and leave the remainder of Section 10-8-90 as currently stated.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve Ordinance No. 11, Series of 2016 as presented and order the ordinance to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Pruett.
Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Wood, and Winkler

RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM YOUTHZONE ON ANNUAL PROGRAMS

Lori Mueller, Executive Director of YouthZone, presented their 2015 Annual Report to Council and reported on programs and services they provide. Lori Mueller also presented some statics on marijuana use in our area.

DISCUSSION ON RETAIL MARIJUANA

Citizen comments were heard from Dan Sullivan, Kirk Swallow, Mark Sill, Bob Statler, Cowen Small, Jon Wilson, and Bryan Semel in support of allowing more retail marijuana.

Citizen comments were heard from Howard Thrailkill, Jonathan Rice, Susan Clark, Norma Miller, Cathleen Anthony, and Gary Miller in opposing more retail marijuana.

Detective Sergeant Mike Tyler read a memo from Chief Dyer regarding his concerns with allowing more retail marijuana.

Council directed staff to include an agenda item for the May 4th Council meeting for Council to respond and give direction on retail marijuana.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

City Manager Matt Sturgeon reported on the following items: City of Rifle received a Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District grant in the amount of \$400,000 to assist with the water plant project, another grant was received from Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC) for two LED reader boards, and Strategic Planning is April 29th and April 30th.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilor Clifton invited everyone to attend the Rifle Animal Shelter Strut for Mutt being held this weekend at Deerfield Park.

Councilor Pruett thanked the public for attending tonight's meeting.

Councilor Wood announced the Young Dubliners will be performing at the Ute Events Center.

Mayor Winkler recognized Chief Morgan for thirty years of community service.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor