

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 19, 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 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) Assistant Salvador Tovar, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Interim Police Chief Sam Stewart, Senior Center Director Tammi Sours, Recreation and Parks Director Tom Whitmore, Tom Slappey, and Ramona Jaeger.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the October 5, 2016 Regular Meeting
- B. (Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority) Liquor License Renewals: Rolling Fork Grill LLC dba Brickhouse Pizzeria.
- C. Consider Disposition of Surplus Personal Property Owned by the City - Ordinance No. 22, Series of 2016 - 2nd reading
- D. Accounts Payable

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizen comments were heard from Ramona Jaeger and Tom Slappey concerning the East 4th Street pavement and water rates.

PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDER REGULATION OF RESIDENTIAL ACCESSORY STORAGE STRUCTURES AND FENCING - ORDINANCE NO. 23, SERIES OF 2016 – 1ST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING
TITLE 16 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING RESIDENTIAL
ACCESSORY STORAGE STRUCTURES AND FENCES.

Mayor Winkler opened the public hearing. Planning Director Nathan Lindquist stated the current code does not have standards for the size or appearance of residential detached garages and storage structures. They are allowed to be 5 feet from the property line. Several properties have recently used this loophole to construct large metal buildings that upset their neighbors who believe this has decreased their property values. Upon the request of Planning Commission, Staff has developed a text amendment to address this issue. Planning Commission approved these regulations at their August 2016 meeting.

Tom Slappey commented on the building regulations for storage buildings.

Councilor Clifton moved to approve Ordinance No. 23, series of 2016 as amended and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Elliott

Roll Call: Yes – Clifton, Elliott, Hamilton, Green, Wood, and Winkler No: Pruett

CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore noted Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) has a vacant position. Staff solicited for applicants to fill the vacancy and three applications were received. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board interviewed each candidate during the October 10th PRAB meeting. The Board's decision was 6-0 in favor of recommending Erik Villasenor for the PRAB seat.

Councilor Elliott moved to appoint Erik Villasenor to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

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

UPDATE ON YEAREND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

City Manager Matt Sturgeon gave an update on the following projects: 4th Street will be paved tomorrow, new Boat Ramp is proceeding well, the driveway to the water plant is being paved, roof is being constructed on the new water tank, the City received a FMLD grant for 5th Street project, and sidewalk improvements.

UPDATE ON PARKS FACILITIES PROJECTS

Parks and Recreation Director Tom Whitmore gave an update on Parks Department projects including Action Park lighting, Heinz Park gazebo, screen for Pioneer Ditch diversion, and Wamsley soccer field.

UPDATE ON GRIT AND FALL ADVENTURE FESTIVAL

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist gave an update on GRIT projects, Western Adventure Weekend, and VIF projects.

UPDATE ON SENIOR PROGRAMS FUNDING DISCUSSIONS

Senior Center Director Tami Sours gave an update on senior discussions occurring with Garfield County and the other municipal entities with regard to senior programs.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

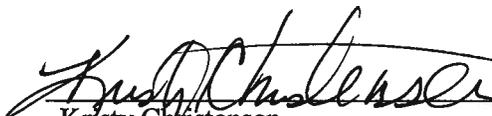
City Manager Matt Sturgeon reported on the following items: 2017 proposed budget.

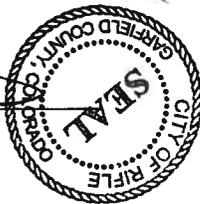
Sam Stewart: Rifle High School Homecoming, Western Adventure Weekend, and the tire drive.

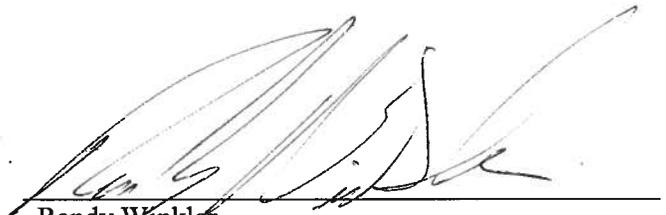
COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Comments were heard from: Councilor Hamilton, Councilor Green, Councilor Clifton, Councilor Elliott, Councilor Pruett, Councilor Wood, and Mayor Winkler.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Randy Winkler
Mayor