

**REGULAR WORK SESSION
MEETING**

April 08, 2024

9:00 AM

City Hall



CITY OF MILLS
EST. 1921

Mayor:

Leah Juarez

Council President:

Sara McCarthy

Council Members:

Cherie Butcher

Brad Neumiller

Tim Sutherland

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor brought to order at 9:01am

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Community Center Lease Opportunity – The Mayor discussed a gym wanting to move from Casper to Mills. The City Administrator noted that we use the Community Center for the yearly pancake festival and voting. Pancake festival is on May 4th and is held indoors. The City Attorney said leasing to a gym, legally they would need to carry extra insurance. City Attorney could draft up lease. Renter not wanting to do an open gym.
2. Planning and Zoning board currently has 2 openings. Meetings to move to 5:30pm, first Thursday of each month.
3. Fire Chief - SAFER Grant – The fire depart would like to submit a grant to FEMA for 3rd person, no committal after 3 years. No 5% match, no financial cost to City. We submit paychecks and equipment receipts. No upfront costs, we can get rid of them after 3 years. This will be last grant for this, Safer Grant, it will discontinue after this year. Mayor is interested and said yes. Council Member Neumiller asked about insurance costs? JT added in 30% for overtime and insurance. The total grant would be up to \$205k for 3 years. The Community Development Director has all the reimbursement set up and ready. The only thing that changes is grant #. Entry level fire fighter. The fire department would employ 3 fulltime employees 24/7. Fire Fighter Elissa is getting deployed in July, we will need to cover her shift for 14 months. The Fire Chief discussed the currently list he has for applicants. The list is good until May 2025. The Chief does not know when this grant will be awarded. The City Administrator requested that it is put into the budget, in case we do get awarded the grant.
4. Winery Permit - Unlocked Vines, LLC – City Attorney stated that the home occupation permit is sufficient for Winery Permit. Council will un-table during the meeting 4/9/24 and ask the City Attorney for a report.
5. Mountain View school – Vote later in day 4/8/24 for approval.
6. Council Member Butcher – Talked with CSO, Sips customers are jumping curb and not driving through drive through correctly. Customers are jumping the curb on 6th street, causing traffic jam and leaving rocks are all over the street. The Police Chief s said he can have patrol keep an eye on that corner.
7. Council Member Butcher – Asked if commercial dumpsters have lids? Public Works Director stated that some do, but most blow off or break off. Culligan, trash keeps blowing all over the neighborhood. Along with Seamless Gutter trash that is not strapped down to trailer. Public Works Director will contact them and take care of issue.
8. Police Chief – Staggers Bar would like to host a concert outdoors, Chief told them to bring their idea to council.
9. Hide Away transfer in a contract for Deed to Thollhouse
10. Legislator has approved cancer screening for Fire fighters. Program is to run through workers comp. Money does not hurt our experience rating. Currently the contract for cancer screening is for every 2 years. Kevin will be in Afton for health meeting, he will check into cancer screening program. The program applies to fulltime and part-time fire fighters.

ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

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Mayor, Leah Juarez

City Clerk, Sarah Osborn