

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING**

June 28, 2022

7:00 PM

City Hall



CITY OF MILLS
EST. 1921

Mayor:
Seth Coleman
Council President:
Darla Ives
Council Members:
James Hollander
Sara McCarthy
Brad Neumiller

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Seth Coleman
Council President Darla Ives
Council Member Jim Hollander
Council Member Sara McCarthy
Council Member Brad Neumiller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

1. Council Meeting Minutes 6-14-2022

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

2. Executive Session for a Legal issue

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

City Licenses

3. New and Renewal Business and Contractor Licenses 6-28-2022

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

Financial Approvals

4. Fire Payroll: 5-30-2022 to 6-10-2022

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

5. Fire Payroll: 6-11-2022 to 6-22-2022

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

6. Regular Payroll: 6-6-2022 to 6-19-2022

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

7. Financial Breakdown 6-28-2022

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

8. Ordinance 783: Second Reading: An Ordinance Adding A Provision to Address Nuisance Lighting in Title 9

Motion made by Council President Ives, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

9. Ordinance 784: Second Reading: an Ordinance Adding a Provision to Address Residential Lots Being Used Principally for Storage by Absent Property Owners

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Hollander.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

10. Resolution 2022-30: A Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Metro Animal Shelter Services Between the City of Mills and the City of Casper

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member

McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

11. Resolution 2022-31: A Resolution Regarding Pay for Pay Per Call Firefighters Who Work Ambulance Transfers or on Stand by

Motion made by Council President Ives, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.

Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

COUNCIL APPROVALS

12. Council Approval of the City of Mills Employee Handbook

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council President Ives.

Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

13. Council Approval of the Contract with the City of Casper for Professional Services for FY 23 for the Transit Services Beginning July 1st, 2022

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council President Ives.

Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

OPEN DISCUSSION

John Gudger: 827 Fossil Butte

John was present to talk about the lighting in Title 9. He thinks that we should of gotten the residents approval and if they had any concerns. He also wants to see a lot of changes in the zoning code. He stated that we should get the public opinion or at least the people that live in the area and are most impacted. He stated that he has a lot of experience in this field and knows that he can help us make a zoning code that will satisfy all. He also stated that lighting has come a long way and there is things that can be done to make sure the lights are not so bright. He does not know how business are getting away with being so close to residential. There should be some sort of landscape buffer. We should add that into our zoning code. He is very frustrated with no movement from the City Council. He believes that the property owner should have some rights and say. We need something in our code with "shielding" the bright light. The Mayor asked if his house is the only one affected. He stated no. There was a lot of time that the council could have fixed this. He stated that if you fix it now this will not happen to anyone else. The Mayor stated that residents are more than welcome to come to the council meetings but nobody comes. The City Attorney stated that the lighting ordinance is only in seconded reading. If you have some input please come to the work session on July 11th and let us know your thoughts. Councilman Hollander stated that he is concerned with the high lights. They can aim them to the ground so they are not affecting the residents. He also wanted to bring to the councils attention is that there is a drainage ditch in the back and he has lost some trees from what is being drained in that area. He thinks we should have our trees tested and see what is killing the trees in the area.

Kathy Bruemmer: 839 Fossil Butte

Kathy wanted to bring to our attention about glass on the streets and would like cleaned up. There is a lot of kids in the area and she does not want to see anyone get hurt. She thinks that the contractors need to clean up after

themselves. They are leaving trash and the area messy. The trash on Pendell and Pontiac is getting really bad. She is also concerned with the drainage by Boatrights place. She has talked to the council about this before. She thinks the erosion is getting worse. She also wants to know when we will spray for mosquitoes. Also she would like to know what can be done with the Ferrell cats. They are all over the place. The City Clerk stated that you can go to the vet places and the can give you some spray to go on your garden area or yard to keep them away.

John stated again that there is broken glass in the new Buffalo Meadows area on Shale Court.

Jeremy Wilkins: 4564 Mountain View Drive

Jeremy owns three houses on Mountain View. He know that the area is zoned established business. He said Kevin O’Hearn stated that he cannot fix up his worn down building. He stated that it has to be a business and not a residential place. He wants to repair the house but keep the shop. He wants to rebuild the garage. He is trying to refinance but can’t get a loan because of the way it is zoned. The Mayor will look into it and get back to him.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

14. Legal Issue:

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a legal issue at 7:37pm.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Hollander.

Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

Back from Executive Session at 7:47.

Action Taken: Request a motion to allow the attorney to negotiate with the CATC and City of Casper and WYDOT for the matters raised in the CATC notice of claim on June 22, 2022.

Councilman Neumiller made the motion to approve the attorney on this case to go ahead with the action. Council President Ives seconded. Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy and Council Member Neumiller.

15. Legal Issue

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a Legal Issue at 7:51pm.

Motion made by Council President Ives, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.

Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

Back from Executive Session at 8:02pm

Action Taken: Council Authorizes the City Attorney to enter into discussions with a 3rd party regarding a lease.

Motion made by Council President Ives, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller. Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy and Council Member Neumiller.

16. Personnel Issue

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a Personnel Issue at 8:03pm.

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

Back from Executive Session at 8:10pm. No Action Taken. Moved to next council meeting

17. Legal Issue

Mayor asked for motion to go into Executive Session for a Legal Issue at 8:10pm.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Hollander.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

Back from Executive Session at 8:15pm.

No Action Taken

18. Legal Issue

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a Legal Issue at 8:15pm.

Motion made by Council Member McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Neumiller.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

Back from Executive Session at 8:18pm.

Action Taken: Authorize the City Attorney to write a letter Natrona County for reference request.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member McCarthy. Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council President Ives.
Voting Yea: Mayor Coleman, Council President Ives, Council Member Hollander, Council Member McCarthy, Council Member Neumiller

NEXT MEETING - July 12th, 2022 @ 7:00pm/ July 26th, 2022 @ 7:00pm

NEXT WORK SESSION - July 11th, 2022 @ 9:00am/ July 12th, 2022 @ 6:00pm/ July 26th, 2022 @ 6:00pm

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Mayor, Seth Coleman

City Clerk, Christine Trumbull