

CITY OF BRUSH!

MINUTES OF THE JULY 22, 2013 – REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Brush, Colorado met in regular session on July 22, 2013. Mayor Daniel R. Scalise called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Present on roll call were: Mayor Daniel Scalise
Councilor Felix Acosta
Councilor Heath Becker
Councilor Kimberly Dykes
Councilor Vicky Quinlin
Councilor Mark Smith

Absent on roll call were: Councilor Charles Schonberger

Also present were City Administrator Monty Torres, City Attorney Robert Chapin, Police Chief Mark Thomas, Finance Director Joanne Gosselink and City Clerk Andrea Strand.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 8, 2013, were approved as submitted.

VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS

Representatives of the Northeast Colorado Health Department, Public Health Director Tony Cappello and Public Information Officer Deanna Herbert were present to discuss the Public Health Plan they are implementing. They identified, through surveys, three areas of concern that their department is addressing; physical activity/nutrition, oral health and mental health. They also indicated that they were looking for partners to help address these health concerns.

Council Acting as the Local Liquor Licensing Authority

Clerk Strand informed the Local Liquor Licensing Authority that she had received a completed application by Shooters Salon, Inc. for a tavern liquor license, located at 121 Clayton Street, on April 22, 2013. She stated that a public hearing would need to be scheduled and the boundaries establishing the neighborhood for petitioning. In the past the city limits had been considered the neighborhood.

Councilor Smith offered a motion to set the public hearing to approve or deny the application for a tavern liquor license by Shooters Salon, Inc. for August 26, 2013, at 6 p.m. and declare the city limits of Brush as the neighborhood. His motion was seconded by Councilor Quinlin and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

DISBURSEMENTS AND PAYROLL

Councilor Acosta offered a motion to approve City bills from July 8, to July 22, 2013. His motion was seconded by Councilor Quinlin and was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

General Fund	\$ 67,145.08
Water Fund	\$ 10,145.34
Trash and Garbage Fund	\$ 2,333.50
Waste Water Fund	\$ 46,864.10
Storm Water Fund	\$ 5,795.87
Community Enhancement Fund	\$ 1,308.33
Conservation Trust Fund	\$ 276.35
Joslin Needham Fund	\$ 1,418.25
Cemetery perpetual Care Fund	\$ 465.00
Payroll and Cafeteria	\$ 72,962.81
Payroll Liability	<u>\$ 28,035.10</u>
Disbursements Total	\$236,749.73

2014 Budget Calendar

Finance Director Gosselink presented the 2014 Budget Calendar for Council consideration. She noted that a retreat is scheduled for November 18. Councilor Becker offered a motion to approve the 2014 Budget Calendar as presented. His motion was seconded by Councilor Dykes and was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

STAFF REPORTS

Finance Director Gosselink

- Stated that the 2012 Audit would be presented at the August 12 council meeting.
- Provided a report that revenues through the end of July were up from last year by approximately \$110,000.

Police Chief Thomas

- Reported that the police department had recently started a Facebook page to post public safety information.

City Clerk Strand

- Read upcoming meetings and announcements.

Administrator Torres

- Stated that he would be at National Guard next week, Monday through Wednesday.
- A display board would be available at the Customer Appreciation BBQ which will highlight the City’s accomplishments.
- He had received information that the recent rain had flooded the downtown area. He reminded everyone that the final phase of the downtown project should complete the storm water project. The City has applied for a RAMP grant through CDOT which would help with the expense.
- Reported that crews had been spraying for mosquitos when the conditions were right and when manpower was available.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Reports on backyard chickens

Public Health Director Cappello provided pros and cons of backyard chickens. He stated pros are that it provides citizens the opportunity to practice in agricultural and provides a healthy food source. The cons would be to consider odor complaints from neighbors. Slaughter of the chickens should be prohibited.

Mayor Scalise stated that the comments from the recent public meeting to hear citizen concerns about backyard chickens were provided to Council. He asked if anyone had any additional comments. Councilor Becker stated that he would like to consider the limit be changed from 6 to 3 backyard chickens per license.

Council stated they had enough information to make a decision and it could be placed on the next agenda to decide whether to go forward with the ordinance change or not.

Other concerns were that Council Acosta stated the mosquitos were bad around the swimming pool and park area. Councilor Becker stated that a citizen had contacted him about limiting the number of liquor licenses in the City. Councilor Quinlin distributed information on a “Get Movin’ Challenge sponsored by LiveWell Colorado during the month of August. She hoped to encourage local businesses to take part in the challenge. Clerk Strand added that recently a Wellness Committee had been formed by city staff and the committee was encouraging council and staff to get involved with the challenge.

ADJOURNMENT

The July 22, 2013, meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Andrea Strand
City Clerk

/s/ Daniel R. Scalise
Mayor