

STERLING, COLORADO
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF LOGAN)ss
CITY OF STERLING)

As required by the Colorado Sunshine Law, the meeting was posted timely in the City Hall lobby more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting.

Pastor Bill Couchenour, Sterling Nazarene Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Torres led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The City Council of the City of Sterling, Colorado, met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, February 14, 2017. Mayor Torres called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Torres
Councilmembers	Appelhans Flores Lawson McCarty Pitcher Rice

Also present:

City Manager	Saling
City Attorney	Penny
City Clerk	Forbes
Parks, Library and Recreation (PLR) Director	Gandee
Public Works Director	Good
Police Chief	Kerr
Fire Chief	Ritter
Human Resource Director	Brown
Public Safety Communications Director	Hardesty
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 20

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Appelhans made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Rice seconded the motion. By a five-yes and two-abstain vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Appelhans	yes	Rice	yes
McCarty	abstain	Pitcher	abstain
Flores	yes	Lawson	yes
Torres	yes		

Items on the consent agenda were: City Council minutes of January 24, 2017, application for renewal of hotel & restaurant liquor license for Ayl Chihuahua located at 229 North Front Street and an application for renewal of tavern liquor license for Riverview Golf Course located at 300 North Riverview Road.

COMMUNICATION AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

Public Safety Communications (PSC) Director Hardesty addressed Council. PSC Director Hardesty thanked Council for letting him finish his career in a positive way. City Manager Saling advised Council there will be a retirement reception for PSC Director Hardesty on February 22, 2017 from 3-5 p.m. at the Emergency Operations Center.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Saling updated Council on the following:

- Grant for rate study
- Sales Tax
- Openings on the Public Works Board, Parks, Library and Recreation Board and Sterling Housing Authority
- Red Cross banquet on March 31, 2017
- Public meeting regarding Cheairs Park on February 15, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.
- Pedal the Plains
- CML Conference
- The City's web site should be live on March 1, 2017
- The striping project
- The Annual Report was handed out.

NEW BUSINESS:

INTRODUCTION OF NEW CITY EMPLOYEES:

Human Resource Director Brown introduced Forrest Hershberger as the new Airport Operator at the Sterling Municipal Airport.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS FOR PARKS, LIBRARY AND RECREATION BOARD, PUBLIC WORKS BOARD AND STERLING HOUSING AUTHORITY:

Mayor Torres made a motion to appoint Tracy Glissmann to the Parks, Library and Recreation Board, appoint Bernard Mathis to the Public Works Board, appoint Kathy Mayfield and Fred Jackson to the Housing Authority. Councilmember McCarty seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING – APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS – BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN OF STERLING, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN OF COLORADO, INC. – 330 SOUTH 2ND STREET:

City Manager Saling advised Council that an application for special event permit was filed by the Business and Professional Women of Sterling, under the auspices of Business and Professional Women of Colorado, Inc., for a fundraiser, to be held on February 18, 2017 from 12:00 o'clock

noon to 10:00 o'clock p.m., for the sale of malt, vinous and spirituous liquor. The application was timely filed and is in proper form and the required fee has been submitted. The premises were properly posted. A letter was sent to the applicant advising of the date of the public hearing and requesting a representative be present at this meeting to answer any questions City Council might have concerning the application.

Present to address Council was Sarah Matthews, Vice President of the Sterling Chapter of Business and Professional Women.

Mayor Torres opened the public meeting.

There were no comments.

Mayor Torres closed the public meeting.

Councilmember Lawson made a motion to approve the Special Event Permit for the Business and Professional Women of Sterling located at 330 South 2nd Street on February 18, 2017. Councilmember Appelhans seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2-1-17, SERIES OF 2017 – A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR AN ENERGY AND MINERAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE FUND PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS (DOLA):

City Manager Saling advised Council that this resolution approves the application for an Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund Program Grant that has been submitted by the Public Works Department to the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA). Any grant funds received will be used for a comprehensive rate study for water and sewer utilities, in connection with operating, maintaining and upgrading the City's water and wastewater/sewer systems. The award of the grant requires the expenditure of matching funds by the City of 50% of the total project cost. The rate study project is estimated to cost \$100,000. The funds for this project were appropriated in the 2017 budget.

Councilmember Appelhans made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2-1-17, Series of 2017. Councilmember Flores seconded the motion. By a six-yes and one-no vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Appelhans	yes	Flores	yes
Lawson	no	McCarty	yes
Pitcher	yes	Rice	yes
Torres	yes		

FIRST READING – ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES OF 2017 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE STERLING CITY CODE, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE III, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS, BY THE ADDITION OF DIVISION 4, CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD:

City Manager Saling advised Council that Section 19-245(b) of the City Code provides for an advisory board to make recommendations to the Council concerning specific use of tax revenues from the City of Sterling Hotel Tax. This Ordinance amends the City Code by the addition of Division 4, Citizens Advisory Board, to Chapter 2, Administration, Article III, Boards, Committees and Commissions, of the City Code to formally create that advisory board, and set forth a specific outline for membership, rules, and duties of that board.

Councilmember Rice made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2017. Councilmember Flores seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NORTHERN COLORADO – MR. JOHN CHAPDELAIN:

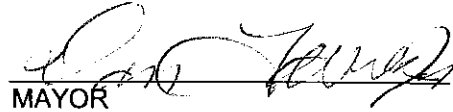
Mr. John Chapdelaine gave a presentation to Council regarding the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado. Also present was Ms. Cindy Horner. The Eastern Colorado Community Foundation is requesting that the City contribute \$5,000 for the next five years. City Manager Saling advised he would have to review the legality because State statutes dictate the funds the City can invest in.

DEPARTMENT REPORT – POLICE DEPARTMENT:


Police Chief Kerr gave the department report.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK