

MINUTES

City Council
City of Arco
July 24, 2023

Mayor Parsons called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and lead those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance were Mayor Grady Parsons, Council President Travis Gilchrist, Council members Ben Tessmer, Bobbie Reese, Danny McCurdy, City Clerks Maribel Cahalan and Dana Jensen, Maintenance Supervisor Tony Chisham. Guests in attendance were Rebecca Lange, Tom Cammack, Rosanne Smith, and via phone, Rick Miller.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Minutes from the last Council meeting on July 10th were reviewed by the Council and approved upon motion.

Rick Miller /Altura Community Consulting and Business Finance - City Survey for Park Grant Project – Rick Miller attended via phone to inform the Council that the Grant Application for Parks upgrades will not require a citizen survey. Since the Grant Application due date is on a short timeline. Mr. Miller asked the Council if they would like to proceed without conducting a survey at this stage. After some discussion, the Council advised Mr. Miller to proceed with the Grant Application preparation without completing a survey. Mr. Miller also advised the Council that a representative from the Idaho State Department of Commerce that is involved in the Community Block Grant program will visit Arco on August 1, 2023, to visit Arco's Parks. Mr. Miller asked that someone from the City or from the Council be on hand to provide a tour of the city parks.

Review Special Business License Application – Mountain View RV Park & Restaurant applied for a Special Business License to sell food at the Peaks to Craters Show and Shine event August 19th. Motion to approve was made and passed to approve the Special Business License.

Replacement of Street Light Pole across from the Vet Clinic – City Maintenance Supervisor Tony Chisham returned to the Council with an additional bud for the street light replacement project. After reviewing the first bid and the second bid, a motion was made to accept the bid from Wheeler Electric in the amount of \$10, 701 to replace the streetlight. The motion passed. The date expected to install the streetlight will be completed in October of this year.

Beautification at Greenbelt – Maintenance Supervisor Tony Chisham updated the Council on his discussions with Butte County Road and Bridge Supervisor Virgil Larsen about clearing the sagebrush between the Greenbelt and the highway up to the area across from Jack's Travel Plaza. The County Road Supervisor said that the Butte County Road crew can help with the project, but not until autumn. A motion was made and passed to have Maintenance Supervisor Chisham move forward in coordinating with the County Road and Bridge Department on this project.

Bills – bills in the amount of \$12,555.11 were reviewed and approved for payment.

Roundtable – City Clerk Cahalan stated that she had been in contact with Rocky Mountain Power representative about accepting the offer of a \$1,000 gift to the City of Arco. This money will be used to beautify the Greenbelt beautification project.

Deputy Clerk Jensen reminded the Council that staff from U.S. Congressman Mike Simpson's office will be visiting the Arco City Office on Tuesday, July 25th from 10 – 11:30 a.m. Afterwards, the Congressman's staff will be at the Lost River Senior Center for lunch.