

**MINUTES**  
**EVANS CITY COUNCIL**  
March 1, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Morris called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Morris, Mayor Pro-Tem Schaffer, Council Members Brown, Finn,  
and Homann

Absent: Council Member Clark

**RECOGNITIONS**

**A. Evans Police Department—Accreditation from the Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police**

Chief Gary Barber, Fredrick Police Department, made a presentation to City Council to recognize Rick Brandt, Evans Police Chief, Jason Phipps and Chard Harding, Commanders, Evans Police Department, for becoming accredited from the Colorado Association of Police Chiefs. Mr. Barber presented Chief Brandt with the City's accreditation certificate.

Chief Brandt, thanked Commander Harding and Phipps for his work in achieving the accreditation for the Evans Police Department.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Laura Speer, 4020 Empire Street, commented on Resolution No. 16-2016 – Adjusting City Irrigation Rates, expressed concerns about the three percent increase, and asked about what ditch users should do when water is not available.

Steve Takacs, 3532 Powderkeg Drive, Evans, expressed his concerns for safety in the City due to a colony of prairie dogs at an intersection on 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Pro-Tem Schaffer made the motion, seconded by Council Member Rudy, to approve the Agenda. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 16, 2016**
- B. Ordinance No. 648-16 Mineral Lease (Second Reading)**

Mayor Pro-Tem Schaffer made the motion, seconded by Council Member Rudy, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Public Hearing – CDBG-DR Long Range Planner Staffing Grant**

Mayor Morris opened the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

Sheryl Trent, Evans Economic Director, presented this agenda item to City Council concerning the need for a public hearing to satisfy the CDBG-DR Long Range Planner Staffing Grant, which was used to hire Mr. Chad Reischl.

Ms. Trent explained that the City of Evans applied for and received a CDBG-DR planning/staffing grant in 2014 for a long-range planner to assist the city with projects related to flood recovery. Ms. Trent listed some of projects that Mr. Reischl has worked or is currently working on.

Ms. Trent, welcomed comments on Mr. Reishel and his projects.

Mayor Pro-Tem Schaffer clarified that there was no motion needed by the City Council.

Ms. Trent, clarified that there was no formal action from City Council and the hearing was merely to satisfy the requirements of the CDBG-DR grant.

Mayor Morris asked for any comments—there were no comments for the public hearing.

Mayor Morris closed the public hearing at 7:43 p.m.

- B. Resolution No. 15-2016 – Adoption of a Notice of Nondiscrimination and Formal Grievance Procedure**

Mr. Chad Reischl, City Planner, addressed City Council concerning Resolution 15-2016—the adoption of a notice of nondiscrimination and formal grievance procedure for those with disabilities who feel they have been discriminated against by the City of Evans in any of its programs, services, activities, facilities or benefits.

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According to Mr. Reischl, these policies and procedures have been deemed necessary for the reception of federal funds through the Community Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program that is funding several flood recovery projects including, the long-range planner position, the stormwater management plan, construction of Riverside Park, and other necessary projects.

Mayor Morris discussed his support for the new policies and procedures.

Council Member Rudy, made the motion, seconded by Council Member Homann, Resolution No. 15-2016 – Adoption of a Notice of Nondiscrimination and Formal Grievance Procedure. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

### **A. Resolution No. 16-2016 – Adjusting City Irrigation Rates**

Fred Starr, presented Resolution 16-2016, which adjusts City irrigation rates. Mr. Starr discussed the cost of water from the Evans Ditch which is used for flood irrigation on the east side of the community. He explained that there were approximately 50 to 70 residents who utilize the Evans Ditch and stated that the increase would be a three percent increase if the Resolution is approved.

Council Member Homann asked about how the City plans on using the increased revenue.

Mr. Starr explained that the increase would go towards the cost of operations and maintenance for the Evans Ditch by the City.

Mr. Starr also addressed Ms. Speer's question concerning surplus water during the spring of 2015, which prevented ditch users to have access to water.

Council Member Finn made the motion, seconded by Council Member Rudy, to adopt Resolution No. 16-2016 – Adjusting City Irrigation Rates. The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

## **REPORTS**

### **A. City Manager**

Aden Hogan, City Manager, referred the Council Members to the Monitoring Report. He discussed the priority for better communication between staff and the community to improve updates about the progress of Riverside Park.

Mr. Hogan updated the Council about the final position being filled with the Evans Police Department, which will get them back to full staff. He applauded the Police

Department for their accreditation, and commented on the accomplishments of Officer Teresa McClatchey for her new role with the School District.

He commented on projects the Public Works Department has ongoing to improve City streets and pot holes quicker.

Lastly, he updated Council on the progress of the City's Committee for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant and an upcoming meeting in Denver to request funding from the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority for the project.

**B. City Attorney**

Scott Krob, City Attorney, reserved his comments for executive session.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

There was no audience participation.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. To Determine Positions Relative to Matters that May be Subject to Negotiations, Developing Strategy for Negotiations, and Instructing Negotiators, Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e)**

Mayor Pro-Tem Schaffer made the motion, seconded by Council Member Rudy, to adjourn into executive session to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators, pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e).

The motion passed with all voting in favor thereof.

The Council adjourned into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

The executive session concluded at 8:48 p.m.

Mr. Krob noted for the record that the contents of the executive session were subject to attorney client privilege and within the scope of the state statutes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

  
Raegan Robb, City Clerk