

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 08, 2019  
MINUTES**

Mayor John Ponikvar brought to order at 6:30 p.m. the first regular meeting of the Craig City Council for the month of January 2019. In addition to Mayor Ponikvar, those present were Councilmembers Chris Nichols, Andrea Camp, Derek Duran, Jarrod Ogden and Tony Bohrer. Joe Bird was absent. Staff present were City Manager Peter Brixius, Finance Director Bruce Nelson, City Attorney Sherman Romney, Chief of Police Jerry Delong, Water/Wastewater Director Mark Sollenberger, Parks and Recreation Director Dave Pike, Public Works Director Randy Call, Building Official Marlin Eckhoff and City Clerk Liz White.

All participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Bohrer moved with a second by Councilman Duran to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2018 meeting Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman Ogden moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve payments of bills for the month of December 2018 totaling \$603,040.14. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman Ogden moved with a second by Councilman Nichols to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

At this time no public comment was heard.

Police Chief Delong along with Captain Bill Leonard presented Officer Tracy Mendoza a Life Saving Award for his actions involving a woman who was unconscious and suffering from hypothermia. This is his third time receiving a Life Saving Award.

Sasha Nelson, Assistant Editor from the Craig Press introduced their new government news reporter Clay Thorpe.

Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Ogden to approve the Consent Agenda which included the renewal of a Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License and Change of Manager for Fiesta Jalisco Numero Catorce dba Fiesta Jalisco located 410 Ranney Street, Craig. No cause shown for denial. Approval of Modification of Premises for both Dillion Companies LLC dba City Market #15 and Mini Mart Inc. dba Loaf 'N Jug #869 located at 505 West Victory Way and 2441 West Victory Way, respectively. No cause shown for denial. Renewal of a Hotel and Restaurant License for Jose A and Cassandra M Nunez dba as Vallarta's of Craig located at 2705 West Victory Way, Craig. No cause shown for denial. Renewal of a Tavern Liquor License for Samuel Havenga Jr VFW Post #4265 dba Samuel Havenga Jr. Post #4265 located at 419 East Victory Way, Craig. No cause shown for denial. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor Ponikvar opened the Public Hearing held with regard to the 2019 Water System Improvements Project – Project Needs Assessment (PNA). Rick Huggins, PhD, PE Drinking Water Engineer for SGM gave a brief overview of the project and Mayor Ponikvar then opened the floor for public comment. Residents Dave Wallace, Darryl Sparks, and Vicky Huyser offered comment. After no other public input was given, the Public Hearing was closed.

Mayor Ponikvar opened the Public Hearing held with regard to an application for a Brewpub Liquor License for Aylor Inc. dba as Yampa Valley Brewing Company Barrel Cathedral. The floor was open for public comment and comment was received by residents Allan Reishus, Melody Villard, Jared Aylor, Erica Tieppo, Christian Dufresne, Dave Wallace and Ken Wergin. Being there no other comments voiced, the Public Hearing was closed. Councilmember Duran removed himself from the Public Hearing due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Ponikvar presented for approval an application for a Brewpub Liquor License for Aylor Inc. dba as Yampa Valley Brewing Company Barrel Cathedral. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Ogden to approve the application for a Brewpub Liquor License for Aylor Inc. dba as Yampa Valley Brewing Company Barrel Cathedral as the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood were met. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion passed. Councilman Duran abstained from the vote due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Ponikvar presented for First Reading Ordinance No. 1082 (2019) ~ an ordinance adopting New Landfill Fees for Residential and Commercial Refuse Collection. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Bohrer to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1082 (2019) ~ an ordinance adopting New Landfill Fees for Residential and Commercial Refuse Collection. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion passed.

City Attorney Romney presented for approval an Engagement Letter with Lisa Mayers of Spencer Fane to act as Bond Counsel for the Water Activity Enterprise Financing. After further discussion, Councilman Duran moved with a second by Councilman Bohrer to approve the Engagement Letter with Lisa Mayers of Spencer Fane to act as Bond Counsel for the Water Activity Enterprise Financing. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Manager Brixius presented an agreement for approval to secure Media and Display advertising from Colorado Mountain News Media (Craig Press) for the 2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$25,377.17. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve the agreement to secure Media and Display advertising from Colorado Mountain News Media (Craig Press) for the 2019 fiscal year in the amount of \$25,377.17. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Manager Brixius presented an agreement to secure Information Technology Support Services from Grand Junction based Pro Velocity in the amount of \$20,640.00. After further discussion, Councilman Ogden moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve the agreement to secure Information Technology Support Services from Grand Junction based Pro Velocity in the amount of \$20,640.00. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor Ponikvar presented Resolution No. 1 (2019) ~ a resolution designating a public place for posting notice of any meeting as required under the Open Meetings Law. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Duran to approve Resolution No. 1 (2019) ~ a resolution designating a public place for posting notice of any meetings as required under the Open Meetings Law which is the bulletin board between the inner and outer doors of the West entrance to the City Hall building located at 300 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Craig. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor Ponikvar presented Resolution No. 2 (2019) ~ a resolution declaring the Craig Press the official newspaper of the city of Craig, Colorado. After further discussion, Councilman Ogden moved with a second by Councilman Nichols to approve Resolution No. 2 ~ a resolution declaring the Craig Press the official newspaper of the city of Craig, Colorado. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Attorney Romney presented Resolution No. 3 (2019) ~ a resolution of the city of Craig, Colorado acting by and through its city of Craig Water Activity Enterprise approving a loan between the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority and the city of Craig Water Activity Enterprise in the principal amount of not to exceed \$300,000.00 for the purpose of financing upgrades to the existing water treatment plant and distribution system improvements; authorizing the form and execution of a loan agreement and a governmental agency bond evidencing the loan; and prescribing other details in connection therewith. After further discussion, Councilman Ogden moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve Resolution No. 3 (2019) ~ a resolution of the city of Craig, Colorado acting by and through its city of Craig Water Activity Enterprise approving a loan between the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority and the city of Craig Water Activity Enterprise in the principal amount of not to exceed \$300,000.00 for the purpose of financing upgrades to the existing water treatment plant and distribution system improvements; authorizing the form and execution of a loan agreement and a governmental agency bond evidencing the loan; and prescribing other details in connection therewith. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director Pike presented for approval a Lease Agreement between the city of Craig and Connections for Kids for the fiscal year 2019 in the amount of \$200.00 per month. After further discussion, Councilman Duran moved with a second by Councilman Ogden to approve a Lease Agreement between the city of Craig and Connections for Kids for the fiscal year 2019 in the amount of \$200.00 per month. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Chief Delong presented the December 2018 police report.

City Manager Brixius offered comments regarding Wayfinding Committee and the Joint Services Workgroup projects. He also mentioned meetings he attended or will be attending in the near future.

City Attorney Romney commented on the upcoming election in April.

Public comment was given by several residents of Craig on various topics.

Council members discussed meetings and events in which they participated or that will take place soon. Kudos went out to city staff and first responders.

Being no further business, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Bohrer to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.