

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 14, 2020  
MINUTES**

Mayor Jarrod Ogden brought to order at 6:30 p.m. the first regular meeting of the Craig City Council for the month of January 2020. In addition to Mayor Ogden, those present were Councilmembers Chris Nichols, Andrea Camp, Tony Bohrer, Ryan Hess and Steven Mazzuca. Paul James was absent. Staff present were City Manager Peter Brixius, City Attorney Sherman Romney, Finance Director Bruce Nelson, Chief of Police Jerry Delong, Public Works Director Randy Call, Parks and Recreation Manager Ryan Dennison, Water/Wastewater Director Mark Sollenberger, Building Official Marlin Eckhoff and City Clerk Liz White.

All participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Bohrer moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2019 meeting. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Camp moved with a second by Councilman Hess to approve payments of bills for the month of December 2019 in the amount of \$1,511,419.81. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

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

Public Comment was given by Clay Thorpe, Lauren Thorpe, Vickie Huyser, Sandy Philyaw, Bill Barva and Jayne Morley.

Police Chief Delong along with Captain Bill Leonard presented Officer Will Roland a Life Saving Award for his Life Saving efforts on a female individual.

Jennifer Holloway, Executive Director of the Craig Chamber of Commerce presented to council an update of their service to the community for 2019.

Meghan Francone, Executive Director for Open Heart Advocates along with Andy Daniels, CEO Memorial Regional Health and Kyle Miller, Vice-President Clinical Services Memorial Regional Health gave a presentation about the organization.

Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Hess to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. It included a Special Events Permit for Yampa Valley Golf Association for an event to take place on February 14, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Moffat County Fairgrounds Pavilion located at 640 East Victory Way, Craig and a renewal of a Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License for Jose A and Cassandra M Nunez dba Vallarta's of Craig LLC, located at 2705 West Victory Way, Craig. No reason for denial. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Attorney Romney presented Resolution No. 1 (2020) ~ a resolution designating the public place for posting notices pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(2) (c). After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve Resolution No. 1 (2020) ~ a resolution designating the public place for posting notices pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(2) (c). Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Attorney Romney presented Resolution No. 2 (2020) ~ Resolution No. 2 (2020) ~ a resolution declaring the Craig Press the official newspaper of the City of Craig, Colorado. After further

discussion, Councilman Bohrer moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to approve Resolution No. 2 (2020) ~ a resolution declaring the Craig Press the official newspaper of the City of Craig, Colorado. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Manager Dennison presented to council a renewal lease dated January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 between the city of Craig and Connection for Kids for space at the Center of Craig. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Bohrer to approve the renewal lease dated January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020 between the city of Craig and Connection for Kids for space at the Center of Craig. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor Ogden presented to council for discussion a board appointments change to the Public Safety Committee. Councilman Hess will replace Councilman Nichols on that committee.

City Manager Brixius presented to council for discussion and possible approval the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) supporting the feasibility and design of net metered solar arrays to be primarily placed at the Craig Wastewater Facility and the Water Treatment Plant for the purposes of supplemental power and facility resiliency. This is strictly a planning and design project for which DOLA has already awarded a \$200,000 grant to Steamboat Springs, acting as the Fiscal Agent for the Grant and its partners. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the city of Steamboat Springs (Fiscal Agent) and named Yampa Valley Jurisdictions (Partners) for the Northwest Colorado Regional Peak Power Shaving and Net Metering Solar Project. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Public Works Director Call presented to council for discussion and possible approval a donation of \$10,000 to assist with the Lower Elkhead Restoration Project in order to promote floodplain connectivity, reestablish a native riparian corridor, increase system resiliency to flooding, drought and human activity and create healthier lands in the Elkhead Creek Valley. These goals will further help to improve water quality in the Yampa River, especially during run-off, which translates to less Total Organic Matter, sediment and inorganic constituents received at the city's river intake for the water treatment plant. After further discussion, Councilwoman Camp moved with a second by Councilman Nichols to approve the donation of \$10,000 from the Water department Enterprise Fund to assist with the Lower Elkhead Restoration Project in order to promote floodplain connectivity, reestablish a native riparian corridor, increase system resiliency to flooding, drought and human activity and create healthier lands in the Elkhead Creek Valley. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Public Works Director Call presented for approval to purchase an additional three line, pull behind message board that was budgeted for this year from the same vendor Safety and Construction Supply in the amount of \$17,274.00. After further discussion, Councilwoman Camp moved with a second by Councilman Bohrer to approve the purchase of a three line, pull behind message board from Safety and Construction Supply in the amount of \$17,274.00. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Attorney Romney presented for introduction Ordinance No. 1106 (2020) ~ an ordinance to levy and establish the percentage rate for additional sales tax on the sale of retail marijuana and marijuana products in the city of Craig, Colorado. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Hess to table indefinitely Ordinance No. 1106 (2020) ~ an ordinance to levy and establish the percentage rate for additional sales tax on the sale of retail

marijuana and marijuana products in the city of Craig, Colorado. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Police Chief Delong brought for discussion and possible approval the allocation of budgeted funds of \$25,000 that was reserved for educational purposes. After further discussion, Council agreed to let Police Chief Delong recommend the use of the \$25,000 that was allocated for educational purposes.

City Manager Brixius presented for discussion the revised bus routes and fares from Steamboat Springs to Craig. Discussion included possible snow plowing of bus stops and putting bus stop locations and times on the city website.

Parks and Recreation Manager Dennison presented for discussion and possible approval of additional funding for Whittle the Wood in the amount of \$40,000. After further discussion, Councilman Mazzuca moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to authorize the Parks & Recreation department to utilize the additional funding, if needed, to make a contract for a top band for Whittle the Wood in the amount of \$40,000. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Police Chief Delong gave his monthly police report for December 2019. He also commented on the Community Service Officer Hannah Wood who started January 7, 2020 and Bobby Adler as the new School Resource Officer that starts February 1, 2020.

City Manager Peter Brixius updated the group on meetings he attended or will be attending soon. He also commented on the monochloramine brochures and filtration unit information going out to the public shortly. Wayfinding Signs should be able to be installed after authorization from CDOT.

City Attorney Romney commented on the upcoming Charter Review Committee meeting on Monday, January 20, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in the conference room at city hall.

At this time Council discussed various meetings and events in which they participated or that will take place soon.

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