



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 26, 2020
MINUTES**

Mayor Jarrod Ogden brought to order at 6:30 p.m. the second regular meeting of the Craig City Council for the month of May 2020. In addition to Mayor Ogden, those present were Councilmembers Chris Nichols, Andrea Camp, Tony Bohrer, Ryan Hess, Paul James and Steven Mazzuca. Staff present were City Manager Peter Brixius, Finance Director Bruce Nelson and City Clerk Liz White. Joining us via ZOOM conference call, Chief of Police Jerry Delong, Road & Bridge Director Trevor Campbell, Parks and Recreation Director Ryan Dennison, Water/Wastewater Director Mark Sollenberger, Building Official Marlin Eckhoff and Museum Director Dan Davidson.

All participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Bohrer moved with a second by Councilman Nichols to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2020 meeting. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman James moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

No Public Comment was given.

Amy Peck MS, RN, Chief Nursing Officer from Memorial Regional Health presented to council a funding request in the amount of \$17,500 for the Emergency Medical Services to initiate a mill levy for form an EMS district on the ballot in 2021.

Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilwoman Camp to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda included a renewal of a Tavern Liquor License and a Modification of Premises for Mathers' Bar Inc. dba Mathers' located at 420 Yampa Avenue, Craig. There was no cause shown for denial. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Director Campbell presented to council for approval a bid for the 2020 Asphalt Work from United Companies in the amount of \$244,095.00. After further discussion Councilwoman Camp moved with a second by Councilman Hess to approve the bid for the 2020 Asphalt Work from United Companies in the amount of \$244,095.00. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

City Manager Brixius presented to council for discussion and possible action a contract from Kirstie McPherson from Edeveco for the Craig Strong Campaign in the amount of \$17,500.00. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman James to decline approval for the contract from Kirstie McPherson from Edeveco for the Craig Strong Campaign in the amount of \$17,500.00. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Abstain: 2. Motion carried.

City Manager Brixius presented to council for discussion and possible action a COVID-19 Business Relief grant that can be utilized by local businesses in need. After further discussion,

Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to fund the COVID-19 Business Relief grant up to \$30,000 that will be reallocated from the General Fund for the 2020 Budget year, and grant applications may be up to \$3,000 per business. The following will be deleted from the Grant Application Criteria:

1. Two most recent years of Federal tax returns.
2. Balance sheet
3. Paid retail sales tax in 2019.

Ayes: 6. Nays: 1. Motion carried.

Finance Director Nelson presented for (**Introduction**) Ordinance No. 1109 (2020) ~ a supplemental appropriation ordinance to appropriate funds for the operations and maintenance of the Yampa Building in the General Fund for the 2020 Budget year. Since this was just an introduction, no motions were presented or received.

City Manager Brixius presented to council for discussion a review of the updated Council Committee Member assignments and Board Appointments table. After further discussion, no further adjustments were made to the Committee Member assignments and Board Appointment table.

City Manager Brixius presented to council for discussion and action regarding a funding request from Amy Peck MS, RN, Chief Nursing Officer from Memorial Regional Health in the amount of \$17,500 to initiate a mill levy to form an EMS district on the ballot in 2021. After further discussion, Councilman Hess moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to table the discussion regarding the funding request from Amy Peck MS, RN, Chief Nursing Officer from Memorial Regional Health in the amount of \$17,500 to initiate a mill levy to form an EMS district on the ballot in 2021 until further information can be obtained. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Water/Wastewater Director Sollenberger presented to council the April 2020 Water/Wastewater reports. He gave an update on the chloramine conversion plan.

Finance Director Bruce Nelson presented to council the financial reports for the month of April 2020.

City Manager Peter Brixius updated the group on meetings he attended or will be attending soon.

Parks and Recreation Director Dennison gave council an update on the wave pool resurfacing project. He indicated that the lap pool was operational and pool staff has been hired for the summer.

Following some brief reports and comments by council, Councilman Mazzuca moved with a second by Councilman James to retire to executive session pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b) To confer with an interim attorney for the City to receive legal advice regarding the qualities and skills recommended for a permanent City Attorney and an interim City Attorney's advice regarding existing candidates for the position of City Attorney. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman Hess moved with a second by Councilman James to adjourn the Executive Session. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Following their return to open session, Councilman James moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.