



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 26, 2021
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 January 2021. In addition to Mayor Ogden, those present were Councilmembers Chris Nichols, Andrea Camp, Ryan Hess, Paul James, Bruce Cummings and Steven Mazzuca. Staff present were City Manager Peter Brixius, Finance Director Bruce Nelson, City Attorney Heather Cannon, Water/Wastewater Director Mark Sollenberger and City Clerk Liz White. Joining via ZOOM were Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Director Trevor Campbell, Parks and Recreation Director Ryan Dennison, Building Official Marlin Eckhoff, Museum Director Dan Davidson and Chief of Police Jerry Delong,

All participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman James moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2021 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.

Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Hess to approve the payment of bills through December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$119,924.67. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman James moved with a second by Councilman Cummings to approve the payment of bills through January 22, 2021 in the amount of \$160,547.95. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

No Public Comment was given.

Mayor Ogden opened the Public Hearing regarding the Petition for creation of an Urban Renewal Authority for the purpose of determining in accordance with C.R.S. 31-25-101 et seq whether there exists a need for an Urban Renewal Authority in the City of Craig.

The floor was then open for public comment.

No Public Comment was given, and Mayor Ogden closed the Public Hearing and moved back into Regular Session.

Carolynn White, Special Counsel for the Urban Renewal Authority and David Cooper from DGC Consulting presented information regarding the process for the formation of the Urban Renewal Authority.

City Manager Brixius presented Resolution No. 4 (2021) ~ a resolution of the City of Craig establishing the City of Craig Urban Renewal Authority. After further discussion, Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Hess to approve Resolution No. 4 (2021) ~ a

resolution of the City of Craig establishing the City of Craig Urban Renewal Authority. Ayes: 6. Nays: 1. Motion carried.

Mayor Ogden presented for discussion and to nominate a councilmember for the position of a new Mayor Pro Tem which became vacant by outgoing Councilmember Tony Bohrer. After further discussion, Mayor Ogden moved with a second by Councilman James to nominate Steven Mazzuca as the new Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Craig. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Councilman Mazzuca abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

Water/Wastewater Director Sollenberger presented to council results from the 2021 Chemical bids for the Water/Wastewater departments. After further discussion, Councilwoman Camp moved with a second from Councilman James to approve the 2021 Chemical Bid Tab Sheet as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Water/Wastewater Director Sollenberger gave his monthly report for the months of November and December 2020.

City Manager Brixius updated the group on meetings he attended or will be attending soon. He offered an update to the Economic Development Manager candidate process.

City Attorney Cannon updated council on projects she is working on. She commented on the property at 552 Lincoln Street and the Five Star Certification for businesses from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

City Councilmembers discussed various meetings and events in which they participated in or will take place soon.

Councilman Cummings moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to enter into Executive Session ~ to obtain legal advice on pending litigation involving the City of Craig for Case Numbers 20CV1954 and 20CV3088 and use of force issues pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b). Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman Nichols moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to adjourn from Executive Session and return to Regular Session. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Being no further business, Councilman James moved with a second by Councilman Mazzuca to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.