

**CITY OF CRAIG
COUNCIL AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 17, 2020
COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:00 PM**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Tim O'Connor, Dave Creighton, Hannah Bazinet, Jim See, Julie McDonald, Michael Kampnich, Chanel McKinley

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed below will be enacted by one motion. If separate discussion is desired on an item, that item may be removed and placed on the regular meeting agenda.

- City council meeting minutes of September 3, 2020
- Ordinance No. 731 – Sales Tax Exemption for EMS Responders

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

- Open for public comment

READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Consider appointment of Minnie Ellison – Craig EMS Coordinator-II
- Consider Options to Re-Roof POWER Building
- Tutoring/Internet Access Using CARES Act Funds
- Set October Meeting Dates

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

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CITY OF CRAIG
COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

ROLL CALL

Mayor Tim O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Jim See, Julie McDonald, Chanel McKinley (via teleconference), and Michael Kampnich. Dave Creighton and Hannah Bazinet were absent excused.

Staff present: Jon Bolling, City Administrator; Brian Templin, City Planner.

Audience present: None

CONSENT AGENDA

SEE/KAMPNICH:

Moved to reschedule first reading of Ordinance 731 from the Consent Agenda to Consideration of Resolutions and Ordinances, and approve the balance of the consent agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

No public comment was presented.

READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

None

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

The council discussed the merits of modifying the city's municipal code. Several council members expressed concern about the precedence set by adding a new class that would be exempt from the city's sales tax. The concern was not on the amount of revenue the city would forego from the exemption, but rather on how to fairly treat similar future requests should this exemption be adopted. Some council members felt that the city's appreciation for the valuable effort provided by the volunteer EMS squad can be expressed using means other than creating a new class of exemption in the sales tax code.

SEE/McDONALD:

Moved to approve Ordinance 731 at first reading. MOTION FAILED 1-3 (McKinley voting Yes).

The council directed staff to produce a revised stipend schedule, modifying City of Craig Resolution 20-04, at a subsequent meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Appointment of Minnie Ellison – EMS Coordinator II

McDONALD/KAMPNICH

Moved to confirm appointment of Minnie Ellison as EMS Coordinator – II.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Consider Options to Re-roof POWER Building

The council agreed with the need to reroof the POWER Building, and noted the \$20,000 contribution offered by POWER to help pay the cost of the work. POWER provided a contractor's estimate of approximately \$42,000 to complete the work.

Councilman See noted that the city cover the balance of the cost, with an allowance for unanticipated costs uncovered during the course of the reroofing work.

SEE/KAMPNICH

Moved to appropriate up to \$30,000 from earnings of the Craig Endowment Fund as match funding for replacement of the POWER Building roof. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Tutoring/Internet Access at Craig Recreation Center using CARES Act Funds

Brian Templin noted that the city has hired Ms. Misty Fitzpatrick to assist with implementation of some CARES Act programs, including this project. He added that rental/mortgage assistance program documents will be ready for council review at an October council meeting.

3. Set October Meeting Dates.

McDONALD/SEE

Moved to set city council meeting dates for October 8 and October 22. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman McDonald asked about City Gym use policies. She stated that she does not see the need for masks and social distancing at the City Gym based on the guidance issued by the State of Alaska. She felt that screening upon entry into the building is sufficient screening/practice for gym use. Jon Bolling explained the difference between the State's general COVID-19 guidance and the guidance the State of Alaska issued for operation of gymnasiums. Councilwoman McKinley concurred with Councilwoman McDonald on basing use of the gym on the state guidance specific for gyms.

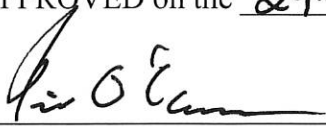
Councilman Kampnich recognized the support provided by city personnel in response to the recent deadly two-care motor vehicle accident near Thorne Bay.

ADJOURNMENT

KAMPNICH/SEE

moved to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVED on the 29th day of October, 2020.



MAYOR TIMOTHY O'CONNOR

ATTEST 

CITY CLERK

