

**CITY OF CRAIG
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 6, 2024**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Kasey Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present were Hannah Bazinet, Shauna Thomas, Michael Kampnich, Chanel McKinley, and Millie Schoonover. Josh Bennett was excused.

CONSENT AGENDA

Meeting minutes of May 16, 2024

Ordinance 775, Lease of Tract D-2 to Jim Seley

BAZINET/KAMPNICH

Motion to adopt the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

Ordinance 776, Land Sale Moratorium

Resolution 24-13, Designating the CDT Ballpark as a Camping Area

Letter from Tim O'Connor

Richard Trojan made a public comment to thank Oliver Lewis for road maintenance that was done. Mr. Trojan also spoke about the moratorium and suggested the council look at land sale applications on a case by case basis.

Richard Marvin made a public comment to speak in favor of Resolution 24-13.

Betty Isaacs made a public comment to speak in favor of the CTA land sale. Mrs. Isaacs stated she was very excited to see the CTA's plan. She spoke about the rich history of the City of Craig and Cannery Point, and there are lots of artifacts that could be displayed here.

Rob Yates made a public comment about the history of Craig. He shared that Fred Hamilton Sr. remembered the 3-4 longhouses that were here. Mr. Yates stated that the CTA land sale would be great for culture, healing, and tourism.

Felicia Dupea made a public comment and stated that many topics in the meetings are causing division in our community when the community should be working together.

Clinton E. Cook Sr., Craig Tribal Association President, made a public comment to suggest that passing Resolution 24-13 may cause problems in the community, and there should be a discussion with the Police Department. President Cook spoke about the update from Steve Silver and stated he hopes the city isn't overspending on Mr. Silver's services. President Cook raised a question about the council's Code of Ethics and asked how they would handle a council member going against that. Lastly, President Cook spoke in favor of Ordinance 771 and 775.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Kasey Smith spoke about the school budget and community sales tax survey.

Brian Templin, City Administrator, submitted a written report.

Kimber Mikulecky, Finance Director, submitted a written report. Kimber also reported that she has been working with the auditors and is nearly finished with the 2022/2023 audits.

Mary Salazar, City Clerk, submitted a written report. The council agreed to have one meeting in July on July 11, 2024.

The City Planner position is still vacant, and Brian reported that there have been no new applications.

Venessa Richter-Russell, EMS, submitted a written report. Council Member Shauna Thomas inquired about the daycare and Venessa reported that she is meeting with a state representative next week.

Hans Hjort, Harbormaster, submitted a written report. Hans reported that Daniel Jackson has been hired as a new employee.

RJ Ely, Police Chief, submitted a written report. President Cook thanked Chief Ely for escorting the CTA's totem pole to the carving shed.

Oliver Lewis, Public Works, submitted a written report.

Gretchen Klein, Recreation, submitted a written report.

Stephanie Merritt, Library, submitted a written report.

READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

12 Month King Salmon ESA Review Launched- Council Member Mike Kampnich made a comment about writing a letter of opposition and President Cook stated they're in a 60 day comment period right now.

Update from Steve Silver- Council Member Chanel Mckinley asked if Steve Silver is lobbying for only the harbor study or if he is looking at other projects too. Brian Templin responded that he would be working on anything that had to do with federal agencies.

Jim Seley Email Requesting a Council Workshop to Discuss Development of Tract D2- The council agreed to have a joint workshop with Mr. Seley and Council Member Millie Schoonover requested staff to email the council with potential dates.

CHS T-Shirt Sponsorship Request
MCKINLEY/KAMONICH

Motion to donate \$725.00 to CHS.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Southeast Senior Services Letter

Letter from Shelby Beck

MCKINLEY/BAZINET

Motion to donate \$2,400.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Ordinance 776, Land Sale Moratorium

KAMPNICH/MCKINLEY

Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 776.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution 24-13, Designating the CDT Ballpark as a Camping Area

MCKINLEY/BAZINET

Motion to adopt Resolution 24-13.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance 771, Application to Purchase City Owned Property by Richard Trojan, Lot 9 JT Brown Subdivision

KAMPNICH/BAZINET

Motion to amend Ordinance 771 Application to Lease City Owned Property by Richard Trojan, Lot 9 JT Brown Subdivision.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KAMPNICH/BAZINET

Motion to adopt Ordinance 771 as amended.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Tongass Recreation Fees

Adopt an Elder

MCKINLEY/BAZINET

Motion to donate \$2,000.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified Property Tax Roll

SCHOONOVER/KAMPNICH

Motion to adopt the 2024 Certified Property Tax Assessment Roll prepared by AK CAMA LLC.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Sales Tax Discussion

MCKINLEY/BAZINET

Motion to direct staff to write an ordinance to place a measure on the October ballot to set the city sales tax at a maximum of 7% in the summer and 6% in the winter, effective January 1, 2025.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of CCSD FY25 Budget and Required Local Contribution
KAMPNICH/BAZINET

Motion to approve \$1,586,656, minus any additional funding in the FY25 State of Alaska budget, as the City of Craig's local contribution to the Craig School District for FY2025.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY


COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT


A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm.

BAZINET/MCKINLEY

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



KASEY SMITH
MAYOR



MARY SALAZAR
CITY CLERK

