

**CITY OF CRAIG
COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2019**

ROLL CALL

Mayor Tim O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and the roll was taken. Present were Jim See, Hannah Bazinet, Dave Creighton, Jan Trojan, Julie McDonald and Mike Douville.

STAFF PRESENT: Jon Bolling, City Administrator, Allison Fargo, City Clerk Pro-Tem, Brian Templin, City Planner, Jessica Holloway, Aquatic Manager, Chaundell Piburn, EMS Coordinator, Hans Hjort, Harbormaster, Angela Matthews, Library Director, Robert Ely, Police Chief, Russel Dill, Public Works Director, Victoria Merritt, Parks & Recreation, and Doug Ward, Parks & Facilities.

AUDIENCE PRESENT: Ed Douville, Adrian LeCornu, Mike Kampnich, Richard Trojan, Skip Fabry, Christine Noel,

CONSENT AGENDA

City Council Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2019

TROJAN/MCDONALD

moved to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC

- Open for public comment

Skip Fabry spoke about the road connection at Easy Street. Feels that the City is trying to turn one landowner against another (CTA against Joni and Skip). Joni Kuntz, the other landowner, is paying 15,000 to have her lot dug up for additional parking. Skip thinks it is unfair to both Joni and he. He suggests that CTA (Craig Tribal Association) buy Joni out and solve everyone's problem. Skip is willing to give 15ft, or what is necessary, of his land in order for CTA to connect the road. He asks that the council consider proposing the purchase of land to CTA.

Richard Trojan was present to speak about the Mayor's Veto of Council Motion on Sale of Lot 9, JT Brown Industrial Park Subdivision. Hoping that council will override the Mayor's Veto. Suggests that the City can buy him out if they will not sell him the property. Richard has been a small business owner of about 22 years in the City of Craig and intends to stay for at least another 10. Threatening to no longer contribute to recycling materials on the island. Richard expressed that he does not respect Mayor Tim O'Connor and will no longer be volunteering on the Craig Volunteer Fire Department. Mayor O'Connor does not feel that Richard has brought an appropriate business plan for council to consider and therefore stands behind his decision to Veto the Council's motion of the land sale.

Ed Douville, President of Shaan Seet, touched on Ricahrd's subject of needed to recycle on the island yet it is not cost effective at all. Submitted a letter to the council and respectfully requesting for Shaan Seet to be able to remove solid waste themselves. Mayor O'Connor said that Fish and Game will not allow the City to trap and remove the bears. Ed is mainly concerned about the unsanitary conditions created when the trash is all over the trailer court every day. He feels that the trash cans/dumpsters are easy targets for the bears and that the city should consider a different type of bear-proof container.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

- Mayor - wants to relocate the bears but F&G won't allow it.
- Administrator- Jon provided a written report. Spoke about the pool basins being sealed with a specific product and a cost-effective solution that was offered to the city. Jon is working with the company that contacted him and has been given an estimate. Interviews for the city clerk position are scheduled for next week.
- Treasurer – Sheri was absence excused and provided a written report.
- Aquatic Manager - written report. Added a few things about introducing new programs and enforcing teamwork and safety programs. Announced the potential start of a junior lifeguard program.
- City Clerk - All Staff is pitching in to fulfill City Clerk duties. The regular scheduled next meeting for September 19th will be cancelled due to Jon and Tim being at SE Conference. Next council meeting is scheduled for October 3rd.
- City Planner – Brian has provided a written report. He shared his work on absentee voting and that the sample ballot is finished. Absentee voting starts September 11th.
- Fire/EMS Coordinator - written report
- Harbormaster – Hans has provided a written report
- Library – Angela has submitted a written report. She was excited to share that the library was approved for the IMLS grant for \$10,000.
- Police Chief – RJ has provided a written report. Julie asked about the possibility of training our dispatchers to respond to 911 calls with more medical assistance. Also spoke about getting rid of the bears. Fish and Game does not allow trapping the bear, but you can shoot it if it becomes a serious threat. Mike Douville is suggesting to trap and bring the bear somewhere safe to shoot it.
- Public Works – Russell has provided a written report.
- Parks and Rec - Victoria has provided a written report. Added that she has started the After-School program and is offering some fun activities for the kids.
- Parks and Public Facilities – Doug has provided a written report.

READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) AK Dept Natural Resources- Preliminary Finding
- 2) AK Permanent Capital Management Report
- 3) Quarterly Sales Tax Report
- 4) POW Vocational & Technical Education Center – Thank You
- 5) POW Island Rural Resilience Workshop

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Resolution 19-12, City Bank Account Signers

CREIGHTON/DOUVILLE

moved to approve Resolution 19-12.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
BY ROLL CALL VOTE

Resolution 19-13, Appointing Allison Fargo City Clerk Pro-Tem

SEE/TROJAN

moved to approve Resolution 19-11.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
BY ROLL CALL VOTE

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor’s Veto of Council Motion on Sale of Lot 9, JT Brown Industrial Park Subdivision

Council does not override the Mayor’s Veto. Lot 9, JT Brown Industrial Park Subdivision remains in the possession of the City of Craig.

Consider purchase of bear proof dumpsters

Only bear proof dumpster in place at 700 block of Shaan Seet is effective in preventing the bears from getting into the trash but very expensive. Jon expresses that purchasing these dumpsters would be off budget. Russel proposes that we have at least enough money to cover the cost of bear dumpsters in the trailer court area to start. Shaan Seet’s idea of being able to collect solid waste may be a good solution to consider as well, upon the receipt of a proper proposal. Discussion is made on what the best option is. The bear proof dumpster hold about 3 of our dumpsters that we currently provide residents. The city would need to use our old garbage truck to empty the bear dumpsters, which is unfortunately less time efficient. Mike Douville is suggesting clips on our dumpsters we have now, that could be taken off on trash days. Ed wants the city to pay for a full-time employee to do the extra work of removing the clips. Julie McDonald asks Ed what he which option that Shaan Seet prefers. Ed thinks the best option for Shaan Seet would be to collect trash on their own.

DOUVILLE/SEE

Move to approve the purchase of 3 bear
dumpsters for Shaan Seet.

David Creighton shares a concern that once the bear dumpsters are put in place in Shaan Seet and the bears move to another area of town to get into the trash. He thinks that eventually the City of Craig may need to re-do the entire trash system.

DOUVILLE/SEE

WITHDRAW the motion

Suggesting that Shaan Seet bring a proposal to council and ultimately lead to more discussion and hopefully a solution.

Report from US Army Corps of Engineers: Craig Downtown Harbor Project

McDONALD/BAZINET.

Move to direct staff to sign the proposed PED cost share agreement after all the has been completed by the USACE
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Review EMS Fee Structure

Council feels that the fee structure is very reasonable. All members show very strong interest in approving the resolution that will be proposed in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

BAZINET/TROJAN

moved to adjourn at 8:35pm
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVED October 3, 2019

Tim O'Connor
MAYOR TIMOTHY O'CONNOR

ATTEST *Allison Fargo*
ALLISON FARGO,
CITY CLERK PRO-TEM

