

**CITY OF CRAIG  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 18, 2024**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Kasey Smith called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm. Present were Hannah Bazinet, Shauna Thomas, Josh Bennett, and Millie Schoonover. Chanel McKinley and Michael Kampnich were excused.

Staff present: Mary Salazar, City Clerk; Hans Hjort, Harbormaster; RJ Ely, Police Chief.

Audience present: Kurt Whitehead and Clinton Cook Sr.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Meeting Minutes January 4, 2024

SCHOONOVER/BAZINET

Move to adopt the Consent Agenda

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC**

Kurt Whitehead asked the council for a letter of support for House Bill 201 and Senate Bill 171 to change the residency requirement for hunting, trapping and sport fishing.

Clinton Cook Sr. asked the council to postpone the council meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup> to February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Clinton asked for another meeting with the council and the CTA to discuss Kelp Blue issues. Clinton had a productive meeting with Kelp Blue and would like the City to collaborate. Mayor Smith agreed and will correspond a meeting date.

Resolution 24-03, Upgrade on Craig SCADA System

**READING OF CORRESPONDENCE**

Klawock EMS Agreement Memo- Shauna Thomas asked if the EMS has enough staff and volunteers to cover Craig and Klawock. Shauna expressed concern for Criag's EMS and the extra cost for Craig to cover Klawock. Millie Schoonover asked how many staff and volunteers we have, and Chief Ely estimated 7-9 people. Chief Ely stated that Klawock tends to not give notice when they need extra coverage for EMS and from the Police Department. Mayor Smith agrees with the memo's suggestion that an agreement needs to be put in place. Mayor Smith will direct the Administrator and EMS coordinator to meet with the City of Klawock.

Letter of Support, House Bill 201- Kurt Whitehead offered to draft a letter of support for the council to review. Mayor Smith stated the council will review the letter and have it signed. A motion was made to send a letter of support for House Bill 201 and Senate Bill 171.

SCHOONOVER/BAZINET

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## **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

Ordinance 765, Unauthorized Use of Power in Harbor Slips- Josh Bennett asked who will be enforcing this ordinance. Chief Ely stated the Code Officer, and the Harbormaster will be able to issue tickets. Mayor Smith suggested adding signs on the dock about the fine.

SCHOONOVER/THOMAS

PASSED (4-0)

Ordinance 766, All Purpose Vehicles on City Streets

BAZINET/BENNETT

PASSED (4-0)

Resolution 24-03, Upgrade on Craig SCADA System

SCHOONOVER/BAZINET

PASSED (4-0)

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Update on Island Daycare- Josh Bennett stated he reached out to the state, and they informed him that the daycare may be operational by spring of 2024. Josh was informed that our Fire Chief may be authorized to conduct the fire inspection instead of the Fire Marshall if an ordinance is put in place. The Fire Marshall could designate our Fire Chief to do the inspection. Josh is hoping that Venessa will be able to provide services sooner than August 2024. The Ketchikan Fire Chief may also be able to come and do an inspection for us.

Mayor Smith stated that he will look into how we can designate our Fire Chief to do the inspection.

Millie Schoonover stated that Venessa needs to be present at these meetings to address the council's questions. Millie suggested appointing a committee to have a meeting with Venessa. Hannah stated that if Venessa has submitted the proper application for the Fire Marshall, it should tell her a date that the Fire Marshall is available. Hannah stated if she didn't start the application, she wouldn't know what needs to be done. Shauna Thomas requested to ask Venessa where she is at with the application.

Mayor Smith stated that he will reach out to the Fire Marshall about how to move forward.

Shauna Thomas stated since there is an issue with plumbing, she will ask the CTA if their old daycare toilets are not being used.

Kelp Blue Site Locations- Shauna Thomas suggested that the Kelp Blue discussion be brought back to the council after the city has another meeting with the CTA. Mayor Smith wants to bring any council or community comments to the Southeast Conference since Kelp Blue representatives will also be in attendance.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

City Manager Evaluation Forms Memo- Millie Schoonover commented that the manager evaluation handbook was helpful information and including self-evaluations will be beneficial in the process. The council will bring the new evaluation forms to the Administrator at a later date.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Smith stated he will bring the Craig Waverunner's aquatic center charges to the Administrator and discuss the fees that they have been charged. Hannah Bazinet stated that she

believes it has already been decided by the council that the swim club will not be paying pool fees. Staff will look into past meeting minutes where this decision was made.

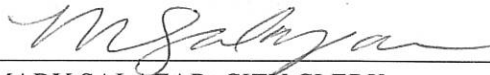
**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:34 pm.

SCHOONOVER/BENNETT

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

  
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KASEY SMITH, MAYOR

  
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MARY SALAZAR, CITY CLERK

