

MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 23, 2011

The second regular meeting of the Craig City Council, for the month of August, was brought to order by Mayor Terry Carwile at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers. Those present were Mayor Carwile and Council members Byron Willems, Don Jones, Jennifer Riley, Ray Beck, Gene Bilodeau, and Joe Bird. City Staff present were City Manager Jim Ferree, City Attorney Kenneth Wohl, Police Chief Walter Vanatta, Public Works Director Bill Earley, Finance Director Bruce Nelson, Water/Wastewater Director Mark Sollenberger, and City Clerk/Personnel Director Shirley Seely.

Mayor Carwile led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.

Councilman Jones made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bird, to approve the minutes of August 9, 2011 as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilman Beck made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bilodeau, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Riley made a motion, seconded by Councilman Willems, to approve the consent agenda. Items on the consent agenda are the approval of a special events permit for the annual banquet and auction for the Yampa Valley Friends of the NRA at the Boys & Girls Club on October 1, 2011 and the renewal of the hotel & restaurant liquor license for the Best Western Deer Park Inn & Suites at 262 Commerce Street. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

CML Executive Director Sam Mamet presented a briefing on the Colorado Municipal League. CML is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that supports cooperation among local, state, and federal officials to provide a strong partnership with Colorado cities and towns. CML employs a dedicated staff of twelve to provide a reliable source of information about legislative issues and their impact on Colorado cities and towns and their residents. He complimented Council on the Craig City Staff for their outstanding service to the community.

Executive Director Mamet presented the Municipal Elected Officials Leadership Training Certificate to Mayor Terry Carwile for completing 30 training credits. The leadership program recognizes officials who make extra effort to expand their knowledge of municipal government and increase their capacity to lead.

Councilman Bilodeau made a motion, seconded by Councilman Beck, to approve Ordinance No. 1015 on first reading. It is an ordinance to license pawnbrokers doing business within the city limits of City of Craig, Colorado. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Water/Wastewater Director Mark Sollenberger presented the month end reports for July for his departments.

Finance Director Bruce Nelson presented the month end financial report for July.

City Manager Jim Ferree reported on the Balloon Festival held on August 19 and 20, 2011, and the Colorado State BBQ contest to be held at Loudy Simpson Park on August 26 and 27, 2011. The 2012 Budget retreat will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup> this year at the Moffat County School board room.

Jeremy Looper discussed his petitions to allow chickens in the city limits, he has decided he can't meet the deadline to place the question on the November ballot. City Manager Ferree will advise him on the process to present the issue to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Councilman Willems reported on the Northwest Colorado Transportation meeting. Highway 13 and County Road 7 intersection was determined to be a dangerous intersection and classed as a number 5. Unfortunately, they only have funding for two or three that need to be corrected.

Councilman Jones advised Council that he purchased a pig at the 4-H Fair that will be donated to Horizons. He thanked Executive Director Sam Mamet for his support and attendance at the meeting. He also inquired about the condition of the U S Post Office here in Craig.

Councilwoman Riley also reminded Council of the Colorado State BBQ Championship that is this weekend at Loudy Simpson Park.

Councilman Bird reported on the community picnic held at the Moffat County Fair to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Moffat County.

Councilman Bilodeau announced the annual CNCC BBQ to be held August 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the college.

Councilman Beck thanked the community for attendance at the Balloon Festival.

Mayor Carwile reported on various meetings he has attended.

Councilwoman Riley made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bird, to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.