

CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 3, 2023
6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL & ZOOM

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM & AT CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Kim Winchell called the meeting of the Cut Bank City Council to order at 6:30 PM, Monday, April 3, 2023. The following persons answered roll call: Mayor Winchell, Councilpersons Tim Curtiss, Doug Vermulm, Kacie Fey, and John Reynolds. Also present were City Superintendent James Suta, Building Inspector Jim Yeagley (via Zoom), City Attorney Smith, Police Chief Schutz, and Clerk Treasurer Burley. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS: Vernon Thomas,

ABSENT: None

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CLAIMS: Councilperson Fey moved to approve the claims through March 30, 2023, for \$35,787.19 warrants 61051-61076. Councilperson Reynolds seconded the motion. A vote was called, and motion carried 4-0.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilperson Curtiss moved to approve the March 20, 2023, minutes, the payroll from March 30, 2023, for \$72,809.90. Councilperson Fey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Superintendent Suta presented his report. Everything is going well. The new street sweeper will be delivered tomorrow morning. **Councilperson Vermulm moved to accept the City Superintendent's report & Councilperson Curtiss seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.**

City Attorney Smith presented his report. **Councilperson Fey moved to accept the City Attorney's report and Councilperson Curtiss seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.**

OLD BUSINESS: **None**

NEW BUSINESS:

City Attorney Smith read the first reading of the amendment to Ordinance 13.20. He explained to the Council that the amendment of Ordinance 13.20 would give the City the right to charge property owners for the removal of snow and ice done by the City.

Councilperson Curtiss moved to move forward with the amendment of Ordinance 13.20. Councilperson Fey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

WORK SESSION:

Councilperson Curtiss stated that he read the original agreement for the Sports Complex and stated it seemed that the Board should have a resolution from when the County withdrew from the interlocal. City Attorney Smith said that there is such a resolution. When the County withdrew, the City got the north half and the School District got the south half. The separation is well documented. Mayor Winchell and Superintendent Suta will be attending the board meeting tomorrow.

Chief Schultz told the Council about recent issues that School is having with loading and unloading of students. There are loading zones at the schools, but the City has not officially made these loading zones so the Police cannot enforce them. They are painted but there are no signs. Our ordinances do not address these zones. Chief Schultz recommended that the Ordinance be amended to designate these loading zones and allow for signage. Since this will require a first and second reading, as well as a public hearing, City Clerk-Treasurer Burley suggested having the first reading of the ordinance at the next meeting, and then having the public hearing on May 1, 2023, along with the other ordinance amendment hearing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Winchell adjourned the meeting at 7:09 PM.** The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

Attest:

Approve:

Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

Kim Winchell, Mayor

