

CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 21, 2020
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 Raemaeker called the meeting of the Cut Bank City Council to order at 6:36 PM, Monday, December 21, 2020. The following persons answered roll call: Mayor Raemaeker, Councilpersons Tim Curtiss, Mike Wineman, and Kim Winchell. Also present were City Superintendent James Suta, City Attorney Robert Smith, Building Inspector Yeagley, City Judge Berkram and Clerk-Treasurer Burley. Mayor Raemaeker, and Councilpersons Curtiss and Wineman attended City Hall to allow the public to join the meeting in person. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS:

ABSENT:

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CLAIMS: Councilperson Curtiss moved to approve the claims through December 18, 2020 for \$31,601.85. This includes warrants 58984-59002. Councilperson Wineman seconded the motion. A vote was called, and motion carried 3-0.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

Councilperson Vermulm joined the meeting in person at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilperson Wineman moved to approve the December 7, 2020 minutes and the payroll from December 10, 2020 for \$91,811.01. Councilperson Curtiss seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

The Police Chief's report was included in the Council packets due to the absence of the Chief. **Councilperson Wineman moved to accept the Police Chief's report and Councilperson Winchell seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.**

Building Inspector Yeagley reported to the Council on his ongoing building permits. Currently the only projects underway are the Gilberts @ 5th Ave NW and The Martins @ 9th Ave SE. **Councilperson Curtiss moved to approve the Building Inspector's report. Councilperson Wineman seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.**

Clerk-Treasurer Burley reported to the Council that the City's Annual Financial Report has been submitted to the State and it has been accepted and is error free. It is the largest report that Clerk-Treasurers are responsible for and it is a big accomplishment to have it submitted and accepted. The office staff continues to work with customers who applied for Covid relief in hopes of not letting the bills get unmanageable. Clerk-Treasurer Burley has created a contract type agreement to be signed by these customers once the Relief ends so that there is a clear payment plan. Her goal is to have every customer who requested relief sign the form and be informed that any non-compliance will

result in loss of services and that no further notices will be given. The staff has not started getting with these customers yet as we are waiting to see if any further relief will be ordered by the government at the end of the current directive. **Councilperson Curtiss moved to approve the Clerk- Treasurer's report and Councilperson Winchell seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

WORK SESSION: City Attorney Smith informed the Council that the deed for the property exchange with the river RV park has been completed. There was a last minute error found and changed but the deed has now been filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Raemaeker adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.** The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

Attest:

Approve:

Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

Dan Raemaeker, Mayor