

CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
JULY 20, 2020
6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL & ZOOM

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Dan Raemaeker called the meeting of the Cut Bank City Council to order at 6:30 PM, Monday, July 20, 2020. The following persons answered roll call: Mayor Raemaeker, Councilpersons Tim Kipp, Doug Vermulm and Erik Nelson. Also present were City Superintendent James Suta, City Attorney Robert Smith, Police Chief Schultz, City Judge Berkram and Clerk-Treasurer Burley. Mayor Raemaeker, Councilpersons Kipp, Vermulm and Nelson were in attendance at City Hall in order to allow the public to join the meeting in person. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS: Brenda Schilling

ABSENT: Tim Curtiss

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CLAIMS: Councilperson Kipp moved to approve the claims through July 17, 2020 for \$103,578.18. Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilperson Kipp moved to approve the July 6, 2020 minutes, the payroll from July 9, 2020 for \$87,691.97. Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police Chief Schultz presented his report. Calls and arrests are still almost double what they normally are. The Covid grants from the Montana Crime Control Board have been raised due to the prolonged threat of Covid-19. The department will be submitting a request for more grant funds. An offer of employment was made to a man from Oregon. He has accepted the position and will start August 11, 2020. He is already an officer so he will have the training needed to do the job. **Councilperson Kipp moved to accept the Police Chief's report and Councilperson Vermulm seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.**

Building Inspector Yeagley's report was included in the Council packets. **Councilperson Nelson moved to approve the Building Inspector's report. Councilperson Kipp seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.**

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Jamie Freed addressed the Council. She is the Glacier County Community Service Coordinator for juveniles. The County is having serious money issues and she proposes that the City take over her position. Most of the cases she

handles are City cases and she feels the City would be a good fit. She would be in Judge Berkram's department and Judge Berkram will include numbers for her in her budget to see if it's feasible. Ms. Freed outlined what her needs would be as far as wages and office supplies. Council tabled any action until after the budget is presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

WORK SESSION: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilperson Kipp reported that the Lewis & Clark Festival has been cancelled due to the pandemic. He also reported that the Chamber director, Erin Kittson, had resigned and the Chamber is seeking her replacement.

Police Chief Schultz reported that the Glacier County Port Authority has been working on a loan/grant program. The Board has been quite active this year.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Raemaeker adjourned the meeting at 6:45 PM.** The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 3, 2020 at 6:30 PM.

Attest:

Approve:

Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

Dan Raemaeker, Mayor