

**CUT BANK CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 18, 2019
6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL**

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, November 18, 2019. The following persons answered roll call: Mayor Raemaeker, Councilpersons Tim Curtiss, Donovan Grubb, Erik Nelson and Tim Kipp. Also present were City Superintendent James Suta, City Attorney Robert Smith, Building Inspector Jim Yeagley and Clerk-Treasurer Burley. All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ABSENT: Police Chief Schultz**VISITORS:** None**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None**CLAIMS:** Councilperson Grubb moved to approve the claims through November 15, 2019 for \$90,806.09, which includes warrants 57920-58004. Councilperson Curtiss seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.**ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:** City Attorney Smith wishes to discuss the MIA flag.**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilperson Kipp moved to approve the November 4 2019 minutes, payroll from November 14, 2019 for \$83,551.26 and October financials for \$6,848,931.41. Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Due to Chief Schultz's absence there was no Police Chief's report.

Building Inspector Yeagley reported on four jobs that are in progress in Cut Bank. They all appear to be going well. Inspector Yeagley also reported that he had attended an International Code Council meeting. The State will adopt the new building codes on December 6, 2019. The City will then have 90 days to adopt the new codes as well. Our ISO audit will be done in 2020. **Councilperson Kipp moved to approve the Building Inspector's report. Councilperson Nelson seconded motion and motion carried 4-0.**

OLD BUSINESS: None**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilperson Curtiss moved to approve the conditional use permit application of Michael Wineman for Against the Grain Woodworking. Councilperson Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

CORRESPONDENCE: None**WORK SESSION:** Clerk-Treasurer Burley reported to the Council that from now on, Mobile Testing with Integrity will be identifying employees with their City Employee number instead of the last 4 digits of their social security number.

City Attorney Smith informed the Council that the City is required to hang the MIA flag directly under the US Flag. He has ordered a flag. This requirement has been in effect since 2015. When asked about the letter to Mr. Gerstenberger, City Attorney Smith said he would see that it got mailed. City Attorney Smith also reported that he is waiting on copies of a survey before he can proceed with the matter of the land swap with the Riverview RV Park.

City Attorney Smith recapped the Glacier County Commissioners meeting that was attended by Mayor Raemaeker, Councilpersons Tim Curtiss and Donovan Grubb, City Superintendent Suta and himself. The Commissioners were told of the Council's concern that the Airport Authority may not be funded since the County did not have any mills levied on the tax bills. The Commissioners said it was a mistake that the mills weren't levied, but they would fund the Airport Authority anyway. City Attorney Smith requested that they put their promise to fund the airport authority in writing and they agreed. The City has a vested interest in this matter as the Authority is jointly funded by the City and County and if the funding is not available to pay off notes that the Authority owes, then the City and County would also both be liable to pay off the notes. Should the County not fund the Authority as promised, the City's only option would be to take legal action against the County, in which case the Airport Authority would likely join in.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilperson Grubb reported that the Chamber of Commerce will be combing the Festival of Trees with the Prime Rib Cookoff this year. It will be called the Beef & Bid and will be held on December 7, 2019 at the Pioneer Bar. The Rose Petal will be hosting the Chamber Up on December 10, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Mayor Raemaeker adjourned the meeting at 7:03 PM.** The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

Attest:

Approve:

Linda Burley, Clerk-Treasurer

Dan Raemaeker, Mayor