

**MINUTES
CITY OF VICTOR
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 21, 2024 – 6:00PM**

- I. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING:** Mayor Barbara Manning called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the assembly to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Present were Mayor Barbara Manning, Councilor Buck Hakes, Councilor Frankie Ashton, Councilor Connie Dodrill and Councilor Josh Mestas. Also present were City Administrator Glori Thurston and City Clerk/Treasurer Brandy Davis.
- III. CONSENT CALENDAR:** *(These items will be acted on as a whole, unless a specific item is called for a discussion by a Council member or Mayor)*
A. Minutes: 12/7/23, 12/27/23, 01/04/224, 02/15/24, and 02/20/24
B. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: February 2024
A motion by Councilor Ashton to accept the Consent Calendar was seconded by Councilor Dodrill. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- IV. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA**
Delete number X (10) from the agenda.
- V. REPORTS**
A. MAYOR AND COUNCILOR REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS
Councilor Dodrill discussed field trips that were scheduled with the Parks and Rec department, one to the pool in Woodland Park, the field trips were cancelled due to lack of interest which was likely caused due to the recent weather. Councilor Dodrill, Councilor Hakes, and Councilor Ashton thanked Public Works for their amazing efforts in snow removal from the recent storm. Mayor Manning also gave special thanks to Dept. Fire Chief Lee Walker for his snow removal efforts, for getting the fire station open and making coffee and for delivering oxygen to some of our citizens. Glori Thurston also received a special thank you for making it into the office to help coordinate the snow and emergency efforts until the Mayor was able to come in. Our community and neighbors were also issued a special thank you, for helping our friends and neighbors with snow removal and checking to make sure people were alright.
- B. TCSD - COMMANDER SULLIVAN – not present**
- C. PUBLIC WORKS – Nathan Henderson**
Break in main distribution line, replaced a 6 foot section of our 12 inch pipe from Bison at the end of February 2024. The pipe leaked for three days before they noticed it and were able to get it replaced, with an additional two days of the replacement process, there had been at 10ft deep hole under the pipe that had been dripping from the bottom. The old pipe is on display at the public works building. Nathan is looking at avenues to change that entire section of pipe, approximately 1.8miles worth. The recent storm caused damage to some of our snow removal vehicles and to the vehicles of contractors that were assisting with the snow removal - the big plow is down and being fixed, the second plow the torque converter is going out – it works, though with limited capacity, we used our front end loader and the skid steer. No power and no generator, kept running to evergreen station to refill our trucks and tried to refill our stuff while the power was on. During the storm cleanup Public Works was able to rent a skid steer from CAT that was a real life

saver. Additionally, they had a few issues with our snow removal team getting stuck in the snow, though eventually everyone was able to get out. A few improvements can be made before the next time.

- D. VICTOR FIRE DEPARTMENT – Lee Walker** Fire Department has responded to 10 calls since the last council meeting, 3 medical calls, 3 mutual aid for CCFD, and 4 fire/medical alarms. During the recent snow storm VFD responded to 2 medical calls, numerous welfare checks and assisted stranded motorists. Constant contact with TCSO and TC OEM assisted with emergency response and search and rescue when needed, our communication was a big help to their efforts. Our outlying areas have more residents than we think and the last one out in Skagway just got out today. VFD is looking into alternative access routes for fire mitigation and emergency evacuations. Our helipad is one of the nicest in the county. A few things have been found to improve on for the next time. Opioid council meeting in April to go over 23 applicant scores. CWPP – Wildfire council, received preliminary maps for emergency response and will distribute once the maps are finalized. Question about any fatalities during the storm, Victor had none though there were a couple elsewhere in Teller County.

E. BUILDING DEPARTMENT – Vera Pratt

5 new building permits so far for the month of March, multiple permits closed from last year, previously pulled permits are about to expire so Vera notified them and is waiting for requests for inspections and extensions, some contractors have notified Vera that they will be starting roofs as soon as the snow melts. Cemetery we have had no sales or burials, though we did have someone request a map and another person show some interest (today) March 21, 2024. We have 6 short term rentals currently and have issued 99 business licenses this year, all businesses are in compliance. Code enforcement – oil change incident involving residents at the Olympia Hotel that was taken care of by Deputy Sardee. City of Victor dog licenses, thank you to City Clerk Brandy Davis and Councilor Josh Mestas for getting their dogs in compliance.

F. MAIN STREET MANAGER – Jon Zalewski

Board met Feb 27th and elected Chris Bilardi as president and their secretary Amanda has renewed her position. A special thanks to Frankie Ashon for serving as the president for so long, and for staying involved. Victor City and Victor Main Street program have renewed their Memorandum of Understanding with Colorado Main Street for 2024. Victor Main Street is designated as an accredited Main Street America program for meeting rigorous performance standards, one of 862 accredited Main Street Programs in United states and only 1 of 6 in Colorado out of thousands of Main Street Programs. We are the smallest city in Colorado and possibly in the US to be accredited. Victor shines as an example especially in the state of Colorado with their support from the city. Special thanks to Buck Hakes for his involvement. Victor Power and Light building update, HSA has been executed and is waiting on a phone call. Broken windows have been repaired and when the weather warms up Jon is looking into ways to make the windows more attractive. Events from Memorial Day through October as well as the holiday events, 4 new events and 2 expanded ones. Adam Zimmerli is planning new projects. Victor Marketplace at the Plaza, giving visitors more places to explore, looking for locally made retail goods (made by a person vs. something store bought), looking for food vendors to help relieve pressure during the summer season, and to add to and not conflict with local projects. Karen Muntzert working on the Marketplace program with Jon.

G. CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Glori Thurston

Thanked Public Works and Lee for their snow removal efforts and Jon Zalewski for the hard work he is doing with Main Street. Glori is working on the Res 2 project back up and going as everything needs to be in place on May 1, 2024. She is also working on audits and quarterly reporting for grants as well as day-to-day operations. April 9th at 5pm will be a community meeting for the GOCO Grant that Karen is working on, which helps our parks and public areas, there will be food available before the meeting and all the community, including the children, are invited to attend, community involvement and opinions are key.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT WITHOUT PRIOR APPOINTMENT

Annie Durham – 309 Aspen St, Cripple Creek – CT Director of the CCV District and Mayor of Cripple Creek. Thank you to Mayor Manning and Glori Thurston with the declaration of emergency during the snow, both cities were in danger of running out of diesel. Many things learned, we do not have a designated warming place, the emergency services were open and provided heat and oxygen and the new casino (Chamonix) had a generator and allowed people to come in for warmth. Seeking funding for large capacity generator to place at the CCV schools so that both communities will have a place to go that provides cots and a full kitchen. Both Public Works and emergency services were thanked for their wonderful services and hard work. She also thanked the City of Victor for use of the Vicci center for the Purple Heart dedication ceremony, 50 or more persons in attendance. Views us as sister cities and loves coming to our City and getting to speak.

Chris Bilardi – 511 Portland Ave, Victor – Noticed the flag at the Gold Bowl has seen better days. The Victor Elks would like to donate a flag to replace the current flag. Dimensions are requested for the new flag and Public Works will get that information.

VII. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

A. PUBLIC HEARING: FIRST READING – ORDINANCE NO. 521 - An

Ordinance of the City of Victor, Colorado amending sections 16-2-10 and 16-5-20 of the Victor Municipal Code to amend the definition of family and add group homes as a permitted use in the R-1 District. The change was from 8 occupants to 12 occupants. Council motioned to re-activate the previously tabled reading of Ordinance No. 521. The motion was made by Councilor Ashton and seconded by Councilor Mestas.

All were in favor and the motion carried. The motion to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 521 was made by Councilor Ashton and seconded by Councilor Hakes. All were in favor and the motion carried.

- B. RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03-21.01 – A resolution consenting to and extending the order declaring a local disaster emergency in and for the City of Victor, Colorado. –** The extension goes for 7 days and will expire on March 29, 2024. A motion to approve was made by Councilor Ashton and seconded by Councilor Dodrill. All were in favor and the motion carried.

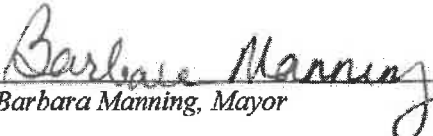
VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. APPOINTMENT – Victor Main Street Board – Chris Bilardi, Misty Easton, Judy Sandlin, Amanda Goehry, and Buck Hakes.** Councilor Hakes recused himself from this vote. Motion to approve appointment of members to the Board for Victor Main Street was made by Councilor Mestas and seconded by Councilor Ashton. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- B. RATIFICATION – AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – Exclusive Mountain Designs – Snowplowing Services.** A motion by Councilor Mestas

to approve the ratification was seconded by Councilor Dodrill. All were in favor and the motion carried.

- C. **RATIFICATION – FUNDING REQUEST – Arkansas Basin Roundtable and Colorado Water Conservation Board – Raw Water Supply Pipeline Repair/Replacement Project - \$360,000.00** - Motion to approve the ratification for funding request was made by Councilor Dodrill and second by Councilor Ashton. All in favor and motion carried.
- D. **PROJECT COSTS – EV Stations** -- Information update from Jon Zelewski with two options for the charging stations, Council decided to go with the less expensive and more practical option. A motion to approve the city cost of \$66,375.00 for the EV stations was made by Councilor Hakes and seconded by Councilor Ashton. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- E. **EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(e), determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators – Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company.** A motion to go into the executive session was made by Councilor Mestas and seconded by Councilor Dodrill. All were in favor and the motion carried. Councilor Hakes recused himself at this time from the next portion of the Executive Session.
- F. **EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CRS 24-6-402(4)(f), to consider personnel matters, and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees. The following additional details are provided for informational purposes; to consider the performance and evaluation of the City Administrator.**
- IX. **RECONVENE INTO REGULAR MEETING** Motion to reconvene the Regular Meeting was made by Councilor Dodrill and seconded by Councilor Ashton. All were in favor and the motion carried.
- X. **PERSONNEL ACTION – Glori Thurston** – Deleted from the agenda.
- XI. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

ATTEST:


Barbara Manning, Mayor


Brandy Davis, City Clerk/Treasurer