

**MINUTES
CITY OF VICTOR
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.**

- I. **CONVENE REGULAR MEETING:** Mayor Pro Tem Buck Hakes called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the assembly to recite the Pledge of Allegiance followed by invocation by Councilor Connie Dodrill.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Present were Mayor Pro Tem Buck Hakes, Councilor Connie Dodrill, Councilor Barbara Manning, and Councilor Mark Gregory. Also present were City Administrator, Glori Thurston and City Clerk/Treasurer, Melissa Marron.
- III. **APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR TO FILL VACANCY CREATED BY BRANDON GRAY'S RESIGNATION -ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE.**

A motion by Councilor Dodrill to appoint Councilor Barbara Manning as Mayor of the City of Victor was seconded by Councilor Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed. City Clerk/Treasurer Melissa Marron administered the Oath of Office. Councilor Buck Hakes declared his immediate resignation as Mayor Pro Tem. A motion by Councilor Dodrill to appoint Councilor Mark Gregory as Mayor Pro Tem was seconded by Councilor Hakes. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- IV. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** *(These items will be acted on as a whole, unless a specific item is called for a discussion by Council member or Mayor).*
 - A. **Minutes of Regular City Council Meetings: July 21, 2022, and August 18, 2022 and Minutes of Special City Council Meetings: August 4, 2022, and August 22, 2022.**

A motion to approve Consent Calendar by Councilor Hakes was seconded by Councilor Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- V. **PUBLIC PRESENTATION**
 - A. **Beth Hoover, Mountain Renaming Event**

Victor residents Beth and Gary Hoover gave a presentation regarding the August 13, 2022 communal ceremony and invocation regarding the formal landmark name changes of both Squaw Mountain to Evening Star Mountain and Squaw Gulch to Maize Gulch. Materials shared with council members included Teller county-specific aerial maps. Mrs. Hoover stated to learn about the event contact the Ute Indian Museum in Montrose, CO. She described a second phase to the renaming project which involves efforts to spread awareness of the amended names and their purpose. Mrs. Hoover asked for donations to fund a permanent sign regarding this effort in the triangular space between 4th St. and Diamond and asked for moral support from city council for general neighborhood community projects.
- VI. **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA:** None.
- VII. **REPORTS**
 - A. **Mayor and Councilor Reports:** Mayor Manning thanked Teller County Commissioners Bob Campbell, Dan Williams, and Eric Stone for their attendance at the meeting. Commissioner Campbell spoke at the podium and thanked City of Victor staff for their presence at the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony, introduced Teller County Administrator Ross Herzog, and offered future support for community undertakings in Victor. Mayor Manning stated she plans to address animosity felt in town, which she expressed was an issue with regard to transparency, reintroduce a city blog and monthly newsletter in an effort to be transparent and there will be a new webpage beginning the start of 2023 promoting what the City is doing. Mayor Manning

also stated that directly emailing her is currently best form of contact for her, and she plans to address animosity in town. Councilor Gregory stated that a film crew for the show 'Mysteries of the Abandoned' was filmed in Victor on Tuesday, 09/13 and the produced footage will be shown in Great Britain, Canada and the U.S. He hopes that the footage will generate international interest in Victor. Councilor Gregory perceived the recent longest homerun event to be highly successful. Councilor Dodrill stated Cripple Creek Parks and Rec will have a public showing of the movie 'Stagecoach' on Saturday, September 17 and refreshments will be available. City Administrator, Glori Thurston, clarified the following about the vacant Ward 2 open seat in Victor city council: the City has 60 days per state statute from today to fill the position, public notices regarding the vacancy will be posted next week, and interested persons must submit a Letter of Intent and reside in Ward 2. City Attorney Jefferson Parker explained that the chosen candidate will fill the position only until the next 2023 election date.

- B. Mainstreet – Kim Lottig:** Kim Lottig provided an update about ongoing Mainstreet projects and include the electric vehicle charging stations that will be installed in Victor in Spring 2023, and installation of a one pump gas station. Ms. Lottig further reported that letters have been dispersed to building owners of local vacant store fronts in an effort to advise them of available resources, to utilize the spaces as art showcases to improve the downtown visual appearance, and to empower artists. Main Street President Frankie Ashton drafted a letter to the owner of the historic trolley located in Wallace Park seeking support for its possible restoration which would be covered by a mini grant. The city-owned painted Elk statue will undergo improvement as a community collaboration but all current paintings on it will be preserved. There is a *Job Creation and Retention* class on 10/27/22 and *Business Tax* class on 12/01/22. Pikes Peak Small Business Development Center is a resource for small businesses. Councilor Dodrill added that the historic Washington School Bell will be donated to Victor and displayed in Wallace Park.
- C. City Administrator – Glori Thurston:** Ms. Thurston reported on the progress of the Black Hills building real estate listing and City Council goal setting for 2023.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT WITHOUT PRIOR APPOINTMENT:

Resident Frances Head expressed that her property has been without water and sewer since 2019 and she believed there are existing contracts regarding the City resolving the issue of a water leak. Ms. Head also provided a packet of documents to council and requested a Quit Claim Deed. Councilor Hakes stated a city crew has recently confirmed the water meter on the property is working properly and there's no leak in the main water line. Attorney Jefferson Parker recommended Ms. Head make an appointment with the City Administrator and Mayor to resolve this matter as it is more difficult to do so during a public council meeting. Ms. Head stated she desires an appointment as the issue is a hindrance to completing necessary construction improvements on her home. Mayor Manning stated she would be available for an appointment on a Friday and Councilor Hakes and Mayor Manning together suggest matter will be addressed during personal appointment.

Residents Dennis Chamberlain and Gwen Hunt stated the high trafficked and shared roadway on Spicer Ave and 7th Street has drainage issues caused by rain and proposed the City either develop an additional alleyway, extend Portland Ave. or explore other potential solutions. Glori Thurston stated the alleyway on the side of 7th St. has many powerlines and blasting may be required to form a roadway and that this same problem may be applicable to Portland Ave. and surveying the land is necessary. Mr. Chamberlain stated maintenance of the private roadway by the City years ago contributed to the current drainage issue as several inches of soil was removed. Councilor Hakes stated city staff is addressing the issue and will produce a report on the situation.

Kaitlyn Ragsdale, External Relations Representative from CC&V Gold Mine stated that self-guided tours were launched in August 2022, the 2021 Tax Report is accessible to the public on the mine website as of August 2021, the Economic Impact Report will be available by the end of September 2022, there is an open house at the Cripple Creek Heritage Center on Tuesday 9/20 at 5PM, a social impact assessment will take place this year, community workshops and focus groups will take place during the remaining months of 2022 regarding investment strategies from the Mine for the next three-five years.

IX. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: None.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Request by Victor Tourism Board, Inc. to Waive Vendor Fees for the Victor Steampunk Festival to be held on September 24, 2022.

Adam Zimmerli, Victor Tourism Board Inc., stated funds saved from waived vendor fees would be applied to events and marketing. After further discussion, a motion by Councilor Hakes to waive the City vendor fees for the Victor Tourism Board, Inc. for the Victor Steampunk Festival to be held on September 24, 2022 was seconded by Councilor Gregory. All were in favor and the motion passed.

B. Ratify Agreements for Professional Services for Roof Repair to the Fire Station and VICCI Center – Master’s Roofing Inc. – VICCI Center - \$24,750.00 and Fire Station - \$33,100.00.

Glori Thurston stated three separate bids were collected and Master’s Roofing Inc. offered the lowest bid for the Fire Station and the second lowest bid for the VICCI Center, both roofs will be repaired simultaneously. CIRSA will not provide coverage for the Fire Station due to how the existing roof was initially installed and will pay for half of the cost of repair for VICCI Center. Noel Wallace will repair cracks and artwork in VICCI center where water damage occurred. A motion by Councilor Gregory to ratify agreements for Professional Services for Roof Repair to the Fire Station and VICCI Center by Master’s Roofing Inc – VICCI Center - \$24,750.00 and Fire Station - \$33,100.00 was seconded by Councilor Hakes. All were in favor and the motion passed.

C. Ratify Submittal of the Energy and Mineral Impact Grant to DOLA – Victor Ave. Sidewalk Project - \$148,311.00.

Glori Thurston explained the Energy and Mineral Impact Grant was submitted to DOLA for the sidewalk project. She stated the project entails the extraction of water meters from underneath businesses and sidewalk

replacement. A motion by Councilor Gregory to ratify submittal of the Energy and Mineral Impact Grant to DOLA for the Victor Ave. Sidewalk Project in the amount of \$148,311.00 was seconded by Councilor Dodrill. All were in favor and the motion passed.

D. Paid Internship Agreement - Cripple Creek Victor Jr./Sr. High School Career and Technical Education Program.

Kim Lottig, Main Street Manager, explained the internship is a result of the Rise Grant, it would be an 8-20 hour time commitment, pay \$13.00 an hour, and is about marketing, community relations and outreach, social media communication, and the Mainstreet program. Kim explained the reimbursement procedures. A motion by Councilor Hakes to approve the Paid Internship Agreement that is included in the councilors' packets was seconded by Councilor Gregory. No further discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

E. Land Swap Agreement – Mark and Tarla Perdew.

City Attorney Jefferson Parker clarified the land swap agreement outlines obligations of both Mark and Tarla Perdew and the City of Victor. He stated it will result in the creation of one parcel of land that Mr. and Mrs. Perdew own and one parcel of land that is owned by the City. Tarla stated she and Mark generated an updated map for surveying purposes and provided it to Jeff's office. A motion by Councilor Hakes to approve the Land Swap Agreement with Mark and Tarla Perdew that is included in the councilors' packets was seconded by Councilor Gregory. No further discussion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

F. Policy Governing Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Checks made for Non-Criminal Justice Purposes.

Glori Thurston reported that the policy requires one city staff member be designated to oversee the fingerprinting process on both the CBI and FBI level, and records containing fingerprint-based background checks which must be secured in a locked area. A motion by Council Dodrill to approve the Policy Governing Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Checks Made For Non-Criminal Justice Purposes that is included in the councilors' packets was seconded by Councilor Hakes. No further discussion. All were in favor and motion passed.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

ATTEST:


Barbara Manning, Mayor

MARK GREGORY, Mayor Pro Tem


Melissa Marron, City Clerk/Treasurer

