

June 1, 2011

5:30 PM

Mayor Brown called the regular meeting of the City Council to order. Present were Council Ashworth, Ledford Zoellner, Wahrer, Deputy Clerk Memmer, Administrator White, and Attorney Phillips.

Minutes of the May 18, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Administrator White commended Diann Pritchard and the rest of the Communications staff for securing 50% of a \$136,000 grant that is shared with Teller County. The grant money will be used for upgrading radios and other dispatch equipment. Administrator White stated he would like to make a formal announcement that our Chief of Police, Gary Hamilton, is retiring after many years with the City Police Department. Chief Hamilton began working for the police department on January 1, 1989, became the Chief of Police on June 1, 2000, and is retiring as of June 2, 2011. Mayor Brown presented Hamilton with a Proclamation and a key to the City. He also thanked him for his years of service. Hamilton said it has been a privilege to serve the City. He thanked the Council and the citizens of Cripple Creek for all of their support.

FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Finance Director Harris stated there are no budget or expenditure requests at this time.

PLANNING & HISTORIC PRESERVATION REPORT:

Development Director Manning stated the Historic Preservation Fund currently has three programs: Residential, Maintenance and Commercial. Manning will give recommendations on the Commercial program at the June 15th meeting. Manning stated that he will be picking up the book on form based code from Thomas & Thomas. He asked Council if they had any direction on this issue. Council would like the public to be made aware this code is available. Manning stated he and Fire Chief Baldwin inspected the Gold Rush Palladium today and there is a fire plan which was already in place but there are some other maintenance issues that need to be addressed. Code enforcement within the City will be proactive, rather than complaint based.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY OF CARING TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL, MARY BIELZ:

Bielz outlined a proposed budget from Community of Caring regarding shuttle service for the City. She requested funding from the City in the amount of \$103,000. The total proposed budget for transportation is \$394,765. This would include the purchase of two new vehicles; each \$84,000. There was no public comment. Motion by Ledford to approve the agreement between the City of Cripple Creek and Community of Caring Second by Wahrer and motion carried.

COUNCILMAN LEDFORD NOTICE OF RESIGNATION:

Mayor Brown read Ledford's letter of resignation. Councilman Ledford stated that he wanted to do what is in the City's best interest. He stated that he is required by the Colorado Division of Gaming to resign from his position on Council because of an indirect conflict of interest with Big Jim's Gambling Hall. Councilman Ledford stated that he has enjoyed being a part of the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lee Godin, of 127 W Golden, stated there was no notice posted at the post office for this meeting and there normally is. Mayor Brown apologized and told Mr. Godin it won't happen again.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Bruce Brown, Mayor

Jessica Memmer, Deputy City Clerk