

August 15, 2012

5:30 PM

Mayor Bruce Brown called the regular meeting of the City Council to order. Present were Council Milford Ashworth, Chris Hazlett, Terry Wahrer, Steve Zoellner, Clerk Debra Blevins, Administrator Ray White and Attorney Lee Phillips.

Minutes of the August 1, 2012 meeting were approved as written.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

Administrator Ray White stated Highway 67 closed on Saturday due to a sink hole. CDOT has made this a priority to get the highway reopened by this weekend. CDOT will be opening bids for the project tonight and the contractor should begin work on the project tomorrow morning. As of now there is one lane open and there are temporary lights to help with the traffic flow. The Vietnam Veterans Wall arrived today and will be placed at the school on the football field. Fire Chief Randy Baldwin introduced Captain Chris Ekstrom and presented him with a plaque congratulating him on his graduation from the State Leadership Program. The following Reserve Firefighters were pinned: Rafael Castro, William Davis, Jonathan Folger, Craig Johnson, Jordan Remley, Tariq Saleem, Kurt Smith, Chris Tiedman and Dan Walsh. Chief Baldwin thanked Captain Ekstrom for putting the academy together. Administrator White thanked the Emergency Responders for all their dedication and hard work.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT:**

Finance Director Paul Harris stated the Gold Rush has paid their device fees for the 268 new machines they are placing on the floor. Big Jim's will be adding 51 new machines with their expansion.

**PLANNING & HISTORIC PRESERVATION REPORT:**

Development Director Larry Manning stated The Rush is waiting for approval from Gaming to open. Big Jim's is hoping to be open this weekend. Manning stated he is working with a vendor who may be able to help with the lighting for year round use on the buildings. The project on Carr Avenue will be on your September 5<sup>th</sup> agenda.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2012-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 8-4-30 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF CRIPPLE CREEK RELATING TO VEHICLE TOWING AND IMPOUND FEES:**

Mayor Bruce Brown read title only of Ordinance #2012-05. There was no public comment. Motion by Ashworth to approve Ordinance #2012-05 on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading Second by Wahrer and motion carried.

**URGENT CARE:**

Tracy Hancock, ENP thanked the City Council for the opportunity to work in Cripple Creek. You believed in me when no one else did. Thank you for being my "family." Tracy stated she will be moving to Texas and returning to the ER. Council expressed their gratitude to Tracy for all her hard work here in Cripple Creek. Council wished Tracy the best of luck in her new adventure.

Meeting adjourned at 5:53 P.M.

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

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Bruce Brown, Mayor

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Debra Blevins, City Clerk