

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

Minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting was approved as written

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

Finance Director Paul Harris, Administrator Ray White is home recovering from major surgery and is expected to be out of the office four to six weeks. On January 28, 2014, after 14 years with the Police Department (two as Chief) April Peterson resigned. Mike Rulo has been named Interim Chief for the next five months. Longtime Cripple Creek resident Bob Jeffries passed away on Sunday, there will be a memorial service held for Jeffries at the Wildwood Casino on Saturday February 8, at 1:00 p.m. On April 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. there will be a memorial service held for Jennifer Lord who was a long time City employee. We received a very nice certificate from Teller County Sheriff's Department, for the City and County working so well together when there is a need.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR REPORT:**

Finance Director Paul Harris stated he has two items on the agenda. Council thanked Harris for stepping up to help with Administrator duties while Ray White is out of the office. Mayor Brown thanked Mike Rulo for stepping up to help the City during the transformation at the Police Department and Councilman Zoellner thanked the Public Works, Fire and Police Department for their assistance to the citizens during the last snow storm.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #2013-08 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF AN ALLEY, WITHIN THE CITY OF CRIPPLE CREEK DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE:**

Mayor Brown stated Ordinance #2013-08 has been removed per the applicant.

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #2014-01 – A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4-4-30 OF THE CRIPPLE CREEK MUNICIPAL CODE BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION (i) THERETO, RELATING TO THE EXEMPTION OF FOOD FROM SALES TAXATION:**

Mayor Brown read title only of Ordinance #2014-01. There was no public comment. Motion by Ashworth to approve Second reading of Ordinance #2014-01, second by Wahrer and motion carried.

**REQUEST APPROVAL OF \$50,000 OPERATING SUBSIDY TO THE DISTRICT MUSEUM FROM HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUNDS:**

Finance Director Paul Harris stated the District Museum is requesting their annual request for a \$50,000 operating subsidy. The District Museum has submitted the necessary documents and has demonstrated the need for the funding. In 2013 the Museum was designated among "True West Magazine" Top Ten Western Museum. There was no public comment. Motion by Zoellner to approve the \$50,000.00 operating subsidy to the District Museum, second by Mayor Brown and motion carried with Ashworth abstaining.

**REQUEST APPROVAL FOR A REVISED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT TO PERFORM ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE TRAILS PROJECT:**

Public Works Director Jim Blasing stated there is a need to terminate the Agreement for Professional Services dated December 26, 2012 between the City of Cripple Creek and Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. There was discussion between Council and James Hayson Project Manager for Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. Motion by Ashworth to approve the termination of the Service Agreement dated December 26, 2012, second by Zoellner and motion carried. Motion by Wahrer to approve a Professional Service Agreement between the City of Cripple

Creek and Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. in the amount of \$78,624.00, for the Trails Project, second by Ashworth and motion carried.

Council asked if Mr. Hayson could give them an update on the Teller County Road #1 curve project and when he believed they may be able to start the project. Mr. Hayson stated there are some historic issues with Myers Avenue and property issues with the curve on Teller 1. The project will more than likely not be completed in 2014.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

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Bruce Brown, Mayor

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Debra Blevins, City Clerk