

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF WRAY, COLORADO  
JULY 12, 2022

The board of council met in Regular Session on July 12, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor	Robert Kraus
Mayor Pro tem	Chad Deyle
Council Members	Jennifer Jones
	Ronn Akey
	Ben Gardner
	Brad Rockwell <b>Arrived at 7:36 PM</b>
	Nicole Smith
City Manager	James DePue
City Clerk	Emily Ellis
City Attorney	Alvin Wall

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Robert Kraus called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call**

City Clerk Emily Ellis conducted Roll Call. All members were present with Council member Brad Rockwell arriving at 7:36 P.M.

**ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Council member Nicole Smith made a motion to adopt the July 12, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to approve the June 14, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Blane Johnson – Never Flinch Foundation – Special Event at Fire Hall**

Blane Johnson provided an overview of the Never Flinch Foundation and requested the use of the firehall for a fundraising event being planned. Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to allow the Never Flinch Foundation to use the Firehall for a special event on November 26, 2022. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Ian McBeth Foundation – Special Event at Wray Airport**

Vonie Weaver provided an overview of the Ian McBeth Foundation special event being planned and requested permission to use the Wray Municipal Airport. Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to allow the Ian McBeth Foundation to use the Wray Municipal Airport for a special event scheduled in October 2022. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Scott Szabo – Lauer, Szabo & Associates P.C. 2021 Audit Report**

Scott Szabo, representing Lauer, Szabo & Associates P.C., provided an overview of the 2021 City of Wray Audit.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

There were no Citizen Participation comments.

**PROCLAMATION**

**Aquatic Center Month – July 2022**

Mayor Robert Kraus proclaimed July 2022 as Aquatic Center Month.

**Parks and Recreation Month**

Mayor Robert Kraus proclaimed July 2022 as Parks and Recreation Month.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of TankSafe Storage Tank Liability Insurance Policy (Airport Fuel Storage Tank). The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 638: Approving Re-Zoning of Certain Property Within Harry S. George Addition to the City of Wray, Colorado**

Council member Nicole Smith made a motion to dispense with the full reading of Ordinance #638. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Council member Ben Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance #638 Approving Re-Zoning of Certain Property Within Harry S. George Addition to the City of Wray, Colorado. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Ordinance 639: Amending Ordinance 622, Establishing Regulations for Operation of Motorized Off-Road Unlicensed Vehicles Within the City of Wray**

Council member Nicole Smith made a motion to dispense with the full reading of Ordinance #639. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to approve Ordinance #639 Amending Ordinance #622, Establishing Regulations for Operation of Motorized Off-Road Unlicensed Vehicles Within the City of Wray. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Lease and Easement Agreement for Solar Energy System between the City of Wray and SE Municipal Solar, LLC**

City Manager James DePue explained the Lease and Easement Agreement for Solar Energy System. Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to approve the Lease and Easement Agreement for Solar Energy System between the City of Wray and SE Municipal Solar, LLC. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Solar Power Purchase Agreement between the City of Wray and SE Municipal Solar, LLC**

City Manager James DePue addressed questions regarding the Solar Power Purchase Agreement. Council member Jennifer Jones made a motion to approve the Solar Power Purchase Agreement between the City of Wray and SE Municipal solar, LLC. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Crossing Surface Installation Agreement between City of Wray and BNSF**

City Manager James DePue explained the agreement with Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway to replace the crossing surface on Main Street. Mayor Robert Kraus made a motion to table the Crossing Surface Installation Agreement between City of Wray and BNSF pending further details from BNSF. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS Continued**

**Northeast Colorado Regional Housing: DOLA Innovative Affordable Housing Strategies Planning Grant Program Request for Application Support**

City Manager James DePue explained the application process for the DOLA Innovative Affordable Housing Strategies Planning Grant. The Council voiced interest in contributing a share of the required 25% local match and serving as the fiscal agent for the grant funding. Council members gave the directive for staff to work with other entities to aid in the future development of affordable housing throughout the region.

**Police Patrol Vehicle**

City Manager James DePue explained that Ford had cancelled the order for the new patrol car, therefore a new bid was obtained from Sill-Terhar Motors. Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to approve the purchase of the new patrol vehicle in the amount of \$37,850 from Sill-Terhar Motors. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**City Tree Committee Appointment**

City Manager James DePue advised that two applications had been received for the City Tree Committee. Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to appoint Matthew Gerhart and Karyn Troudt to the City Tree Committee with meetings to begin when all five members are appointed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**REPORTS**

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager James DePue presented the monthly written Manager's Report. The Council was given an update on negotiations with MEAN regarding the installation of additional solar panels.

**Finance Report**

City Clerk Emily Ellis presented the monthly Finance Report for review.

**Approval of Bills**

Council member Ben Gardner made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$620,696.72. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**DISCUSSION**

**Rescheduling of August 9, 2022 City Council Meeting**

Due to Wray Daze and the Yuma County Fair, the August City Council Meeting was re-scheduled for August 18, 2022 at 7:30 P.M.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 9:05 P.M., Mayor Robert Kraus made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e). The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION Continued**

The Regular Session reconvened and Mayor Robert Kraus announced “the time is now 9:45 P.M., and the Executive Session has been concluded. The participants in the Executive Session were City Attorney Alvin Wall, Mayor Robert Kraus, Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle, Council members Ben Gardner, Ronn Akey, Brad Rockwell, Nicole Smith, and Jennifer Jones, City Manager James DePue, and City Clerk/Treasurer Emily Ellis. For the record, if any person who participated in the Executive Session believes that any substantial discussion of any matter not included in the motion to go into the Executive Session occurred during the Executive Session, or that any improper action occurred during the Executive Session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, I would ask that you state your concerns for the record. Seeing none, the next agenda item is City Council Committee Reports.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no City Council Committee reports.

**INFORMATION ONLY**

**Thank You Notes**

**Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – April 5, 2022**

**Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – May 23, 2022**

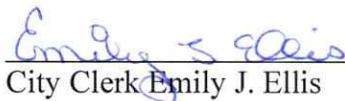
**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 P.M.



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Mayor Robert Kraus

ATTEST



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City Clerk Emily J. Ellis