

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WRAY, COLORADO
JULY 11, 2023

The board of council met in Regular Session on July 11, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor	Robert Kraus
Mayor Pro tem	Chad Deyle
Council Members	Jennifer Jones
	Ronn Akey
	Ben Gardner – Arrived at 7:32 P.M.
	Brad Rockwell
	Nicole Smith
City Manager	James DePue
City Clerk/Treasurer	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/Treasurer Emily Ellis conducted Roll Call. All Council members were present with Council member Ben Gardner arriving at 7:32 P.M.

ADDITION TO AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council member Nicole Smith made a motion to adopt the July 11, 2023 Council Meeting Agenda. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to approve the June 13, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There were no Citizen Participation items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Nicole Smith made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: Buck Law Engagement Letter: Wray Museum Beneficiary's Claimant's Statement; Statement of Authority related to Wray Museum, City of Wray; Sandhills Energy Power Purchase Agreement Exhibit 1 Amendment Ratification; and Survey Plat of Lots Located in Blocks 17, 18, 19, and 20, Harry S. George's Addition to the Town of Wray. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Back Nine, Limited Liability Company dba The Back Nine – New Tavern Liquor License

At 7:33 P.M., Mayor Robert Kraus called the Public Hearing to order to discuss The Back Nine, LLC New Tavern Liquor License Application. At 7:35 P.M., with no comments from the public or Council members, Council member Nicole Smith made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to approve the Colorado Liquor Retail License Application for The Back Nine, LLC. The motion was seconded and passed with five supporting votes. Council members Ben Gardner and Brad Rockwell abstained from the vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Bid Opening: RFP No. 116-2023 – Community Development and On Call Engineering Services

City Manager James DePue advised that nine companies had responded to the Request for Statement of Qualifications for Community Development and On-Call Engineering Services. A committee of staff members had reviewed proposals submitted by Miller & Associates, Kumar & Associates, Inc., Northern Engineering Services, Inc., GMS, Inc., Martin/Martin, Inc., Cross Canyon Engineering, LLC, Baseline Engineering Corporation, Lat 40, Inc., and M6 Consulting, Inc. Based on the recommendation from the committee, Council members requested the committee conduct interviews with Miller & Associates, Northern Engineering Services, Inc., Baseline Engineering Corporation, and GMS, Inc., and submit a final recommendation.

Bid Opening: RFP No. 124-2023-Northeastern Colorado Innovative Housing Strategies

City Manager James DePue advised that one proposal had been received in response to the Request for Statement of Qualifications for Northeastern Colorado Innovative Housing Strategies and recommended the Council accept the proposal submitted by Ayres Associates with a stipulation that would allow the contract to be signed by Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle. Council member Jennifer Jones made a motion to accept the proposal submitted by Ayres Associates in the amount of \$161,000 and authorize Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle to execute the contract. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Wold Design Proposal for Wray Police Department

City Manager James DePue presented the Council with the proposal for design services for the Wray Police Department submitted by Wold Architects and Engineers. The proposal, in the amount of \$141,750, included schematic design, design development, and construction/permit drawings required to include a new Police Department in the Wray Civic Center project. Council members supported the concept of including a new police department in the design of the Wray Civic Center but requested that grant options be researched to assist with the costs.

Scott Szabo – Lauer, Szabo & Associates P.C. 2022 Audit Report

City Clerk/Treasurer Emily Ellis advised that Scott Szabo was not able to attend the meeting but had provided the completed 2022 Lauer, Szabo & Associates P.C. Audit Report. To eliminate the need to file an extension, the Council was asked to approve the audit with a formal presentation to be scheduled during the August Council Meeting. Council member Ronn Akey made a motion to approve the Lauer, Szabo & Associates P. C. 2022 Audit Report and authorize Scott Szabo to file the audit with the State of Colorado. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

REPORTS

City Manager's Report

City Manager James DePue presented the monthly written Manager's Report. Updates were given on the City Complex Project, the Cedardale Project, the East Industrial Park Improvement Project, Verizon Wireless tower construction, and street repairs.

Finance Report

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

Approval of Bills

Mayor Pro tem Chad Deyle made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$737,480.14. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

**Northeast Colorado Regional Innovative Housing Strategies
Intergovernmental Agreement**

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Updates were given on the Yuma County Landfill and Wray Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Robert Kraus announced his resignation as Mayor for the City of Wray effective July 14, 2023. Council members expressed their gratitude for Mayor Kraus' commitment and service to the City of Wray.

INFORMATION ONLY

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes-June 5, 2023


ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 P.M.



Mayor Pro Tem Chad Deyle

ATTEST



City Clerk/Treasurer Emily J. Ellis