



MINUTES
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 1, 2019

101 W. 8TH STREET

6:15 P.M.

1. Roll Call

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelley Kaup called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. Present at roll call: Charlie Willman, Rick Voorhees, Shelley Kaup, Steve Davis, Paula Stepp, and Tony Hershey, and Jonathan Godes.

Also present were Debra Figueroa, City Manager; Karl Hanlon, City Attorney; Steve Boyd, COO; Jenn Ooton, Assistant City Manager, Economic and Community Development Director; Catherine Mythen Fletcher, City Clerk; Yvette Gustad, Finance Director; Brian Smith, Parks and Recreation Director; Terry Wilson, Police Chief; Katie Mulkey, Police Department Admin Assistant; Hannah Klausman, Senior Planner; Jessica Bowser, Assistant City Engineer; and Terri Partch, City Engineer.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro-Tem Kaup led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Changes & Conflicts

None were noted.

4. Citizens Appearing Before Council (for items not on the Agenda-comments limited to 3 minutes)

Chris Lynch - expressed her concern about the 50 feet that the city would like to take from her property (602 Cowdin Dr, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601).

Ned Carter - spoke about his concern with dumping and the overuse of AirB&B.

Ryan Muse - expressed his concern with public parking and parking enforcement in downtown Glenwood Springs.

5. Council Comments

Councilor Hershey - advised that council place a hold on the confluence study at this point due to a lack of consensus in the community and with staff. He recommended that the continued analysis of the confluence study be added to the August 15th Council Meeting agenda.

Councilor Willman - commended city employees for going above and beyond. He then continued to address public concern regarding amending development code. He stated that the amendment will be a public process that will begin soon.

Councilor Rick - addressed the closure/opening of 7th street regarding the flow of traffic and the concern of the downtown development group and other citizen groups.

Councilor Davis moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to delay the opening of 7th street until September 5th, 2019 to allow input from affected parties.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Proclamation

- A. Proclamation - 75th Anniversary of Kiwanis in Glenwood Springs. The Proclamation of August 10th, 2019 as Kiwanis Day was read by Mayor Godes and was accepted by the Kiwanis Club.

7. Consent Agenda

All matters under consent are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. The titles will not be read aloud. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Councilmember or Audience Member so request.

- A. Resolution 2019 -31; Adopting an Amended Landfill Fee Schedule
- B. Minutes from the July 18, 2019 Regular Meeting
- C. Iron Mountain Hot Springs Cost Savings Agreement
- D. Ordinance No 18, Series of 2019; Amending Sections 010.020.080, 010.020.081, 050.070.185, and 120.030.150 of the Municipal Code to Conform Penalty Provisions with State Law (SECOND READING)
- E. Ordinance No 20, Series of 2019, Amending Section 100.020.120 of the Municipal Code to Authorize the Issuance of Penalty Assessment Fines for Animal related Nuisance Violations (SECOND READING)

Councilor Kaup moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to approve consent agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

ACTIONS AND/OR PRESENTATIONS

8. Introduction of Valley Settlement's New Director

The Valley Settlement's New Executive Director, Alex Sanchez, introduced himself to council. The Valley Settlement project is a Latina non-profit that aims to educate Latina families in the community. The non-profit serves Pitkin County, and Eagle County as well as Garfield County. Alex Sanchez closed his introduction by thanking council for their service and support.

9. Hanging Lake Update from H2O Ventures

The Deputy District ranger from the Eagle/Holy Cross Ranger District in White River National Forest opened the presentation by giving background about Hanging Lake. Beginning in 2011, The City of Glenwood, The National Forest Service, and H2O Ventures, began working to better Hanging Lake.

The other participants in this presentation then spoke about the improvements that have been made over the past 8 years including educating visitors, the new visitor center, and issuing permits. More information was presented on the recent traffic and efficiency of Hanging Lake in the past year based off data supported by survey responses, web traffic, and other data such as Search and Rescue.

10. Ordinance No 16, Series 2019: Consideration of various amendments to Municipal Code section 050.030.010 and to Title 070 to correct errors and omissions relating to the Glenwood Springs Development Code that was Adopted August 2, 2018 (FIRST READING)

The Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously approved 13 corrections at their meeting on April 23rd, 2018. Ordinance No 16 is the latest version of Title 070 and asked that the Ordinance No 16, series 2019 be passed on the first reading.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment and no comments were noted.

Mayor Godes closed public comment.

Councilor Hershey moved, Seconded by Councilor Kaup to pass Ordinance No 16. Series 2019 to correct errors and omissions relating to the Glenwood Springs Development Code that was Adopted August 2, 2018 .

Motion passed unanimously.

11. Youth Smoking Prevention

Rob Stein presented regarding vaping and smoking with youth in the RE-1 School District. Colorado, especially Garfield County, has some of the highest rates in the nation for vaping and smoking with middle school and high school children according to recent surveys.

Laurie Mueller from Youth Zone then presented on educating local youth and strategies on how to decrease the use of vaping and smoking. The number one cause of death in Colorado is lung cancer and Youth Zone has been taking extra steps to educate the kids and adults they work with on the dangers of vaping and smoking.

The presenters offered community-level solutions such as price increase, issuing tobacco retail license, and raising the legal sales age.

Jodi Radke presented on the benefits of increasing tax on tobacco products and how the price increase would deter youth from using these products. An increase of tax would also bring in more revenue for the city.

(see item 12 for public comment)

12. Ordinance No 21, Series of 2019; Establishing License Twenty-One Years of Age, Further Regulating the Sale of Tobacco Products, and Amending Titles and 120 of the Glenwood Springs Municipal Code (FIRST READING)

Mayor Godes opened the item 11 and 12 for public comment at the same time.

Wybon Long - expressed her support and discussed the health risks of new e-cigarette and tobacco products that have flavors.

Dan Rozonko - expressed his concern with the livelihood of his small business if Ordinance No 21, Series of 2019 passes.

Mary Zirmac - discussed the affect that Ordinance No 21 would have on small businesses in the area and how many products would be eliminated from local stores.

John Sullivan - shared his story about how vaping has helped him quit smoking and as a private citizen and member of the community, he would not like to see Ordinance No 21 pass.

Rebecca Perry - is a pediatrician serving kids from Parachute to Aspen. She talked about the amount of youth that she sees using or addicted to tobacco products.

Joel Hathaway - as a middle school principal, he expressed his concern and urged council to pass Ordinance No 21.

Kevin White - expressed his support to Ordinance No 21 as a community member and father.

Matt Percy – discussed the effects of tobacco products on local youth.

David Reynolds – wanted to express that City of New Castle shares the same view and is polling high in favor of a similar ordinance.

Kari Godes – shared a letter from a local teen.

Mayor Godes closed these items for public comment.

Mayor Godes called for a 5-minute break and to reconvene at 9:15 pm.

Councilor Davis moved, seconded by Mayor Godes to approve Ordinance No 21 Series of 2019; Establishing License Twenty-One Years of Age, Further Regulating the Sale of Tobacco Products, and Amending Titles and 120 of the Glenwood Springs Municipal Code.

Motion Passes unanimously.

13. Local Preference

Ricky Smith presented on eliminating local preference to increase competition during the bidding process for city projects. Ricky Smith the Procurement Manager asked to draft an ordinance to eliminate Local Preference.

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Councilor Hershey to eliminate local preference.

Motion passes unanimously.

14. DDA and Tourism Partnership for the 2020 Budget

Discussion concerning the budget to improve downtown Glenwood Springs regarding the DDA and the Tourism Board. The goal is to have tourists stay in Glenwood Springs longer and visit again while also maintaining and securing streets for residents. Council would like to discuss further in order to partner with the DDA and Tourism Board more efficiently.

Councilor Hershey moved, seconded by Councilor Kaup to discuss further setting aside \$580,000 for Phase 4 and requesting a \$40,00 reimbursement from the DDA and include a request that the Tourism Board partners (10% of their income) with the City to improve downtown.

Motion passes unanimously.

15. 2020 Budget and Priorities Process

No further discussion following morning work session.

16. Report from Administration

- A. City Manager
 - i. Overnight work on 08/06/2019 and 08/07/2019 on south Grand Ave. by 27th Street.
- B. City Attorney
- C. Correspondence Incoming/Outgoing

17. Executive Session to Conduct a Conference with the City Manager and City Attorney for the Purpose of Discussing the City's Purchase, Acquisition, Lease, Transfer or Sale of Real Property; Determining Positions Relative to Matters That May be Subject to Negotiations, Developing Strategy for Negotiations, and Instructing Negotiators; and to Conduct a Conference with the City Attorney to Receive Legal Advice in Accordance with C.R.S. 24-6- 402(4)(a), (b), and (e), related to Adventure Park Lighting

18. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00pm

