



MINUTES
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 6, 2020
101 W. 8TH STREET
6:15 P.M.

1. Roll Call

Mayor Jonathan Godes called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. Due to the Town's Disaster Declaration on March 12, 2020 related to the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was held with virtual access provided through Zoom.

Present at roll call: Charlie Willman, Rick Voorhees, Tony Hershey, Jonathan Godes, Shelley Kaup, Paula Stepp, Steve Davis.

Also present were Debra Figueroa; City Manager, Karl Hanlon; City Attorney, Steve Boyd, COO; Catherine Fletcher; City Clerk; Jenn Ooton; Assistant City Manager, Yvette Gustad; Finance Director, Terri Partch; City Engineer, Hannah Klausman; Public Information Officer, Matt Langhorst; Public Works Director.

2. Council Comments

Councilor Stepp summarized Governor Polis's order on wearing face coverings in public and social distancing.

Mayor Godes noted the face coverings is a consideration for fellow citizens that you may come in contact with.

Councilor Willman suggested that the City hold weekly meetings to give brief updates on COVID -19 to the public and if there were items that needed action taken.

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to hold regular special meeting's weekly at 6:15pm on the Thursdays that are not regularly scheduled meetings with the option to cancel the special meetings 24 hours in advance if there was not any material business to conduct until further notice.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

4. COVID-19 Update

Karl Hanlon, City Attorney gave a brief update on the Governors order and noted that local Jurisdictions could adopt more stringent rules under Title 31 and the Municipal code.

Donald Kaufman asked council to vote on approving face coverings in the city when leaving their home and also on RFTA bus service to be suspended.

Sharon Brady noted that her business has implemented curbside delivery and all staff are wearing face coverings.

Kevin Brady also mentioned that he would like the stores to be able to tell people that they need to wear face coverings to enter any store.

Krissy Clary commented on the on- line meetings and getting the word out to citizens.

Councilor Voorhees moved, seconded by Councilor Davis to make face coverings mandatory at 6 am April 7,2020 for all citizens in the City of Glenwood Springs when in an essential business and in a public setting where you can be in close contact with others.

Ayes: Stepp, Voorhees, Godes, Willman, Davis, Kaup

Nays: Hershey

5. Consider Emergency Order Terminating RFTA Service in Glenwood Springs

Karl Hanlon, City attorney presented this item to City Council. He gave a brief update on the Executive order and how it is related to RFTA services in Glenwood Springs.

Mayor Godes opened Public Comments.

Russ Arensman was concerned with closing down RFTA service but was ok with making things safer to ride the bus.

Don Kauffman was in favor of RFTA being closed temporarily in Glenwood Springs to get past the COVID -19 virus.

Mark Reinhart said he was on the Executive board for the Drivers Union and the organization is taking great measures to ensure that transportation companies are taking great measures to keep employees and bus riders safe and is not in favor of stopping the route in Glenwood Springs.

Zachary Parsons was not in favor to stop the RFTA service.

Dan Blankenship CEO of RFTA shared the precautions that RFTA had taken to protect the employees and also the citizens riding the bus.

Ed Cortez noted that he felt it would be a great disservice to the people who ride the bus to stop it in Glenwood.

Mayor Godes closed public comment.

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Mayor Godes advise RFTA that they can work with City Staff and have until Thursday April 9, 2020 at 5:00 pm to have a better method in place with additional safety measures restricting access to buses, essential workers with face coverings in conjunction with the health Order 20-24 and this would not include the Traveler

Ayes: Davis, Stepp, Willman Godes

Nays: Hershey, Voorhees, Kaup

Motion Passed.

5. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:48pm.