



MINUTES
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 6, 2019
100 WULFSOHN ROAD
6:15 P.M.

1. Roll Call

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

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; Matt Langhorst, Public Works Director; Yvette Gustad, Finance Director; Terri Partch, City Engineer; Brian Smith, Parks and Recreation Director; Al Laurette, Parks Superintendent; Terry Wilson, Police Chief; and Matt Kraemer, Facilities Superintendent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Godes led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Changes & Conflicts

Item 7D was moved from Consent Agenda to be considered separately.

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

Randy Diers-Representing ANB Bank, briefly spoke about how ANB had purchased a building on Grand Avenue between 9th and 10th Street and what the bank was doing for tenants that would be displaced when the building was taken down and rebuilt.

Laura Speck-Expressed her concern about the future of downtown.

Cheryl Cain-Gave suggestions about how the City could offer better communication to its citizens.

Cheryl Guay-Explained that she would be one of the tenants displaced by ANB and although she was unsure of her next location she would like to see the downtown remain as small shops.

Kevin Hillmer-Spoke about how the location of his house, often has semis behind it late at night and early in the morning that are idling and waking his family. He asked who he could speak with to maybe put a sign up stating the city code concerning idling.

Mike Blair-Stated that he wanted to speak about change within the City both in the past and future.

5. Council Comments

Councilor Voorhees – Suggested that during the conflicts piece of the agenda that each individual Council member state whether or not they had a conflict of interest.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kaup – Explained that when a specific land use item comes up, Council was not able to make comments about or change the code. However, if citizens would like to give comments and opinions about the future of land use in the City, she suggested they come to Planning and Zoning Commission meetings as well as City Council meetings to be a part of the conversation. She also spoke about the current strategic planning process.

Mayor Godes – Thanked the public for their comments and being respectful.

Councilor Hershey – Reminded the public that there were hearing devices in council chambers if anyone needed them. He also stated that it was the 75th anniversary of D-Day and also 65 days since the voters rejected the property tax in the April election.

6. Proclamation-Arbor Day

Mayor Godes read the Proclamation designating June 11, 2019 as Arbor Day. The Proclamation was accepted by Al Laurette of the Parks and Recreation Department.

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. Award of Bid BD 2019-029 Community Center Boilers Award of Contract
- B. City Manager Contract
- C. Receipt of Minutes from May 16, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting
- D. *Moved off of consent agenda to be considered separately*
- E. Award of Bid 2019-035 for the Freight Offices Railroad Motorway Building

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Kaup, to approve the consent agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

7D. Resolution 2019-27, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Authorizing and Supporting the Application for a Grant from Youth Engagement in Sports; Collaboration to Improve Adolescent Physical Activity and Nutrition Program (YES Initiative)

Brian Smith explained that the YES Initiative was a \$400,000 grant offered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to expand youth participation in sports and encouraged regular physical activity for youth populations with lower rates of sports participation and communities with limited access to athletic facilities or recreational areas.

Councilor Willman moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Kaup to approve Resolution 2019-27, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Authorizing and Supporting the Application for a Grant from Youth Engagement in Sports; Collaboration to Improve Adolescent Physical Activity and Nutrition Program (YES Initiative) with the Change to Section 2 of the Resolution to Matching “in-kind” Funds.

Motion passed unanimously.

8. Introduction of DDA Executive Director Laura Kirk

Christian Henny, representing the DDA, introduced Laura Kirk as the new DDA Executive Director.

ACTIONS AND/OR PRESENTATIONS

9. Performance Contract

Brian Smith presented to Council that the City had not created an asset management plan to address failing 19-year-old mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and lighting infrastructure within city owned buildings. Deferred maintenance would continue to perpetuate costly emergency fixes. Capital Improvements funding for failing infrastructure management could be provided by the State of Colorado Energy Office. Utilizing a Qualified Energy Service Company (ESCO) facilitated by the Colorado Energy Office, the City of Glenwood Springs could effectively finance costly upgrades using energy savings as the funding mechanism. An audit would flush out the overall scope of what infrastructure would potentially be the most energy savings.

10. Update on the Roundabout at 6th St. and Laurel St.

Terri Partch gave an update on the roundabout at 6th Street and Laurel Street.

11. URA Appointment

Jennifer Ooton spoke to Council about the appointment of an additional seat for the City on the Urban Renewal Authority. On December 6, 2018, the City Council approved Resolution 2018-60 finding that one or more blighted areas existed in the City of Glenwood Springs. State statute allowed a municipality to designate itself as the Urban Renewal Authority, with seats to represent the County, School District and the collective interests of the taxing bodies levying a mill levy within the boundaries. Because that would leave the Authority with an even number of seats, the resolution also created an additional seat for the City to be appointed by the Mayor.

Mayor Godes selected Tate Fairbanks to be appointed to the URA.

Councilor Hershey moved, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Kaup to approve the appointment of Tate Fairbanks.

Motion passed unanimously.

12. Ordinance No 17, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Amending Code Section 040.020.170 – adding the definition of a local business to the Economic Development Rebate section of the code. (FIRST READING)

Jennifer Ooton explained that since 2004, the City had offered an economic development incentive to encourage redevelopment of existing businesses and encouraged new businesses within the City. Over the years, the existing program has been amended several times. Last year, Ordinance 14, Series 2018 repealed a section of Title 010 that referenced a definition for local contractors. Section 040.020.170 regarding Economic Incentives referred to Title 010. This Ordinance would add back the relevant definition to the code to clarify what type of projects/businesses would be eligible for a Tier 2 rebate.

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

Councilor Stepp moved, seconded by Councilor Voorhees to approve Ordinance No 17, Series of 2019.

Motion passed unanimously.

13. Electronic Participation in Council Meeting

Karl Hanlon described how Council was comprised of busy people who sometimes travel or were otherwise unavailable to attend a meeting in person. The idea of using technology to allow a member to participate remotely was raised.

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

Councilor Voorhees moved to approve Ordinance No 12, Series of 2019; An Ordinance of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado Amending Article 020.030 of the Glenwood Springs Municipal Code by the Addition of Section 020.030.120 to Provide Terms and Conditions for Limited Telephone and Electronic Participation by Members of City Council at City Council Meetings.

Motion failed due to the lack of a second.

Mayor Godes called for a brief break.

The meeting reconvened at 8:10pm.

14. Grant Award Recommendation from Financial Advisory Board

Steve Boyd presented to council that each year grant funds were awarded from the A&I Fund to support discretionary and tourism grants. A sub-committee of FAB was formed to review applications in detail and make a recommendation to the entire Board for its consideration. The sub-committee was made up of 4 FAB members with input from a 5th.

Mayor Godes opened the item for public comment.

Monroe Wilcox-explained that he had been on FAB for three years so far and gave his opinion on what he saw as the positives and negatives of this process.

Mayor Godes closed public comment.

Councilor Hershey moved, seconded by Councilor Stepp, to approve the following applicants on the list with the exception of YouthZone, Mountain Family Health Centers, and Mountain Valley Developmental Services and to give the City Manager discretion and authority to approve funding.

Motion passed.

Willman abstained.

Councilor Stepp and Councilor Willman recused themselves from the next motion.

Councilor Hershey moved, seconded by Councilor Davis, to approve funding for YouthZone, Mountain Family Health Centers, and Mountain Valley Developmental Services.

Motion passed.

15. Report from Administration

- A. City Manager
 - i. Clarification on Interviews for Boards and Commissions.
- B. City Attorney
- C. Correspondence Incoming/Outgoing

16. 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 in Accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a), (b) and (e), related to MOC, Western Petroleum and RMR.

17. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.