



MINUTES
CITY OF GLENWOOD SPRINGS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2016
101 W. 8TH STREET
6:00 P.M.

8 Roll Call

Mayor Mike Gamba called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. Present: Stephen Bershenyi, Matt Steckler, Todd Leahy, Steve Davis, Leo McKinney and Kathryn Trauger.

Also present were Debra Figueroa, City Manager; Karl Hanlon, City Attorney; Catherine Mythen Fletcher, City Clerk; Jill Peterson, Deputy City Clerk; Tom Barnes, Parks and Recreation Director; Robin Millyard, Public Works Director; and Yvette Gustad, Interim Finance Director.

9 Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gamba led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

10 Citizens Appearing Before Council. (For items NOT on Agenda - comments limited to 3 minutes)

Sumner Schachter, 1204 Blake Avenue, appeared on behalf of the "Imagine Glenwood" group with a request for implementation of stop signs and traffic calming measures within the City. Mr. Schachter distributed a letter summarizing the request to the Council.

Sarah Buckley, 210 Tanager Drive, was present on behalf of Advocate Safehouse. She invited City Council to a candlelight vigil on Thursday, October 27, 2016 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Centennial Park for domestic violence awareness month.

11 Agenda Changes

Mayor Gamba said there were no agenda changes.

12 Council Comments

Councilor Leahy thanked the Imagine Glenwood group. He noted his concerns with students crossing Blake at CMC (Colorado Mountain College). A school zone designation there seems appropriate and the stop sign locations which are proposed seem appropriate as well.

Councilor Bershenyi said this would also bolster safe routes to the schools and make the community safer.

Mayor Gamba agreed. He noted that when 8th Street opens, a stop sign at 8th Street and Pitkin Avenue may be necessary.

Councilor Trauger stated there may need to be some traffic control at Red Mountain Drive and Midland Avenue.

Councilor McKinney said pedestrians crossing Midland Avenue in the vicinity of Mt. Sopris Drive raises concern due to the high rate of speed at which traffic comes down Four Mile.

Councilor Davis said he agrees with these recommendations and also feels the intersection at 10th and Blake is a concern.

13 Consent Agenda:

A. Receipt of Minutes of the October 6, 2016 Regular Meeting and September 22, 2016 Special Meeting.

B. Resolution 2016-30: A Resolution of the City of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Supporting the Grant Application for a Local Parks and Outdoor Recreation Grant from the State Board of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund for the Glenwood Springs Elementary School Playground

Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Bershenyi, to approve the Consent Agenda.

The Motion passed unanimously.

14 Update on National Christmas Tree Special Event

Emily Arredondo, Roaring Fork Events, presented an update on the National Christmas Tree Event which will be held on November 17 at Centennial Park between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. The event will be focused on the giving season. She provided a summary of the activities. They hope to have non-profits involved. There will be a tree lighting ceremony in the park.

15 Planning Item Continued:

- a. #21-16 Consideration of an amendment to a Major Development, Major Subdivision and PUD Development Plan
Applicant: Peter Waller
Owner: Silver Sage Preserve LLC
Location: Lot 2 Kingdom Hall Subdivision: Vicinity of Airport and Four Mile Roads
Zone: PUD

Mayor Gamba said there was a request to continue the item to the special City Council meeting on November 1.

Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Bershenyi, to continue the hearing to the special City Council meeting on November 1, 2016.

The Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Figueroa requested that the agenda item for the Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association be moved up on the agenda.

Mayor Gamba stated agenda item 17 would be considered before item 16.

16 GreenPlay Update

Art Thatcher, project manager and a principal with GreenPlay, stated he was present to provide recommendations for the Master Plan and Strategic Business Plan. At a future meeting they will present a final report for adoption.

Mr. Thatcher did a PowerPoint presentation summarizing aspects and recommendations contained in the plan as follows:

- Mission Statement
- Public Process
- Demographics
- Improvements to Existing Facilities
- New Facilities/Amenities
- Top Priorities
- Survey of Importance of Facilities
- Importance of Programs
- Master Plan Goal Areas
- Increase in Finance Opportunities
- Purpose of Strategic Business Plan
- Benchmarking/Performance Measures
- Cost Recovery and Revenue Sources
- Recommendations – Operational Restructuring, Awareness, Branding and Marketing
- Revenue Sources to Consider – Attraction Tax, Special District, Social Media

Mr. Thatcher stated City staff will provide comments on the plan and they hope to provide a copy to Council for their comments also within the next two weeks.

17 Letter of Support for RFMBA South Canyon Trails Plan Grant Application

Mike Pritchard of the Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association provided information regarding in-kind services from the City which could be utilized in 2018 and also the maintenance of the trail which will be via the use of volunteers. They will be meeting with the City Manager and City staff to work through the details on the in-kind services. Annual inspections of the trails will be performed after the winter season.

Jim Pokrandt, 1010 Colorado Avenue, thanked Council for the letter of support. Between the Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association and Two Rivers Trails they have the capability to assist with the maintenance of the trails.

Ms. Figueroa said the meeting with staff is to determine how the City will work with these groups long term.

Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Bershenyi, to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter of support for RFMBA.

The Motion passed unanimously.

18 Public Hearing – Proposed Budget 2017

Karl Hanlon stated that jurisdictions handle the presentation of budgets in a variety of ways, i.e. slide presentations or having the budget available for review on line.

Councilor Leahy said the Council has spent considerable hours on the budget.

Councilor Trauger said she had had some additional questions earlier in the day that were addressed by Yvette Gustad. Staff has done a remarkable job.

Mayor Gamba said he agreed. The City is continuing to see revenues increase at a greater pace than some of its surrounding communities; however, Council also has some very ambitious goals. They have prioritized as best they can.

Councilor Bershenyi commended staff, in particular Yvette Gustad from the Finance Department and Debra Figueroa, City Manager.

Mayor Gamba opened the hearing for public comment. No comments were heard.

Mayor Gamba closed the public hearing.

19 Audit 2016 Agreed Upon Procedures Report

Mayor Gamba said the audit is a requirement per the Charter when either the Finance Director or City Manager leave the City.

Ms. Figueroa said this is done to be sure there are no irregularities. The audit indicates there were no issues.

Councilor McKinney moved, seconded by Councilor Bershenyi, to accept the audit report.

The Motion passed unanimously.

20 Council Reports on Board, Committee and Commission Meetings

Councilor Bershenyi said he missed the Historic Preservation meeting this month.

Councilor Trauger attended the Financial Advisory Board meeting where the budget was discussed and they also took action for approval on a few items. She thanked Jim Ingraham from the Board for his attendance at a number of the budget meetings.

Councilor Trauger also attended the Roaring Fork Transportation Authority (RFTA) board meeting. Tanya Allen, Transportation Manager also attended and was introduced. They discussed the Grand Avenue Bridge and are identifying and prioritizing board policy issues for future board meetings. She requested information on the Board's policy for the use of the trail from Glenwood Springs to Aspen. An update on the ITSP (Integrated Transportation System Plan) was also presented.

The discontinuance of the north/south connector and reserving it for future use when the bridge is closed was mentioned at the meeting.

Mayor Gamba attended the Transportation Commission meeting and they discussed some of the same issues raised by Imagine Glenwood. There will be future discussion.

Councilor Leahy noted the Youth Hockey Association received FAB grants for a tournament over Thanksgiving weekend. The tournament will generate fees for use of the ice rink and will bring families into Glenwood for several days which will also generate revenue.

Councilor McKinney said that Garfield Clean Energy reallocated some funds in their draft budget.

21 City Manager Update - FEMA Grant Application
Correspondence: Incoming/Outgoing

Ms. Figueroa stated the City will apply for a FEMA grant. The application will be for \$300,000.

She approved a road closure at two businesses on Devereux Road for water taps. The businesses will still have access.

She confirmed with City Council that the next meeting will be the special meeting on November 1.

Mr. Hanlon stated for public information that there would not be a meeting on Thursday, November 3, due to the lack of quorum.

Mayor Gamba noted that the City was approved for a \$400,000 grant from the Federal Mineral Lease District (FMLD) for the 7th Street reconstruction project and \$25,000 for the Police Department's Firearms Range Improvements.

22 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.