

AGENDA



City of Glenwood Springs Parks and
Recreation Commission Meeting
Glenwood Springs Community Center

July 13, 2016 5:30P.M.



1. Roll Call:
 - a. Commission: Sheldon Emery, Bill Coleman, Harrison Coley, Chelsea Parkison, Larry Heinrichs
 - b. City Staff: Tom Barnes, Cristi Newton & New City Manager Debra Figueroa.
2. Citizen Comments: Not on agenda, no action at this meeting
3. Approval of May Minutes:
 - a. Chelsea made the motion to approve the May minutes. Bill seconded the motion. All were in favor. None were opposed.
4. Introduction of New City Manager
 - a. Intro of Debra Figueroa new City Manager
5. Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Plan Update (Tom)
 - a. We have a staff committee working together with Green Play. This group has come up with a survey that will be sent out to the community. The idea is to get the communities feedback on what their priorities are. Survey Monkey is being used to collect the data. This survey will be available for 10 days. Tom will be asking the Glenwood Post to advertise this and it will be posted on the City and Rec departments websites.
 - b. This plan will also include a Strategic Business Analysis.
6. Two Rivers Shoreline Improvements Update (Doug Pratte)
 - a. Dean Moffatt was present and did a brief introduction and gave a history of Two Rivers he also showed the original design of Two Rivers Park from 1977 that was approved in 1979. They were unable to complete the original plan due to funding.
 - b. Doug Pratte:

- i. In 2014 the City hired Gary Lacy to do a design for Two Rivers.
- ii. In 2016 Dean, Gary and Doug all worked together with stakeholders and some City staff to come up with an updated plan.
- iii. Doug gave a presentation explaining the concept overview, park considerations, and gave a synopsis of the work that went into the final plan.
- iv. Debra asked if there was any benefit to calling the island restoration a restoration. Would restoring the island only enhance recreation opportunities or was there a benefit to wild life. Answer, yes the restoration could bring back native wildlife.
- v. Andy suggested that someone working on this project speak to a wildlife biologist and get their input. There are 4 endangered native fish species living in the river that should be considered.
- vi. They tried to provide several opportunities for individuals to get to and enjoy the river. The purpose of the river path is to help provide that access. Dean mentioned that this path will be effected by the high and low levels of the river.
- vii. Andy asked if having the river path travel through boat ramp might cause conflict. The route of the path will need more assessment as this project progresses.
- viii. Section 4 is all predicated on the approval of the river water features that are currently being reviewed in water court.
- ix. The River Commission made Phasing recommendations. They recommended phase one be the boat ramp area. Larry commented that he felt that he did not like the idea of having several phases but would rather see more work get done at once rather than phasing the project. Andy agreed and brought up the permitting issues and that it would be easier to apply for all permits and licenses at once. Doug clarified that they were using the term phasing to mean prioritizing and they could be worked on simultaneously.
- x. Larry asked what the next step was: They will be doing a similar presentation to City Council next week in hopes of getting their stamp of approval on this project.

- xi. Andy made the motion that Parks and Recreation Commission support this project as presented in concept while encouraging the consolidation of the phases in order to expedite the project with the understanding that there are significant changes yet to come in terms of engineering. In addition the Commission would like to designer to return give quarterly updates on the progress of this project. Bill seconded the motion. All present were in favor. No one opposed the motion.

7. 6th Street Park Design Update (Sheldon)

- a. Sheldon showed some design concepts and gave an overview of how the project is progressing.
- b. This park is being designed to be arts oriented. There will be an art walk and opportunities for art classes in the park. The idea is to make it very active park that appeals to a wide range of people.
- c. Children's play areas more organic and interactive and are not conventional playgrounds.
- d. Larry asked when this project will begin.

8. Community On The Move A&I Survey Results (Tom)

- a. The City recently paid for a Poll on the renewing of A& I funding tax. 300 people were polled. The poll asked about city projects and asked their opinion on what they would like to see the funds used for if the Tax is renewed. Overall this poll went very well. The community was very supportive of the direction the City is heading. This tax will be on the ballot this fall. Community on the Move will be presenting their results on the 20th to the City Council.

9. Good Of The Order

- a. Chelsea: Nothing at this time.
- b. Sheldon: Tennis Court/Pickelball issues on courts. This was just a misunderstanding. Tom believes this issue has been worked out.
- c. Harrison: Nothing
- d. Larry: Nothing
- e. Bill:
 - i. Some of the items in the Tot lot are weathering and could use some attention. Tom said that CIRSA requested that we remove the log cabin but that the department has decided not to honor

that request. The concrete water feature is scheduled to be remove. If Bill and his crew would like to do needed maintenance and upkeep in the Tot Lot they are more than welcome to do so.

- ii. Is there a chance we might be able to find an area in town to be used as a dedicated sledding hill? There are a few unofficial sites but at this time there are no plans to build an official site at this time. This may come out during the open space planning project.

f. Andy: Nothing

10. Adjourn

The next regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 5:30pm at the Glenwood Springs Community Center. There will be a work session involving Studio InSite and the City Council regarding the Two Rivers Shoreline Improvements on Thursday, July 21, 2016, in City Hall City Council Chambers, time TBD.