



MINUTES

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

February 5, 2020 6:00 P.M.

1. Roll Call: 6:03pm
 - a. Commission: James Fosnaught, Laura Speck, Jasmin Ramirez, Andrew Mueller, Bill Coleman, Aeson Aekins
 - b. Staff: Brian Smith, Karstin Moser, Al Laurette
 - c. City Council Representative:
 - d. Presenters: Dave Lincoln
2. Citizen Comments:
 - a. None
3. Approval of January Minutes:
 - a. Andrew move to approve. Laura second. All in favor, none opposed. So moved.
4. 2020 Commission Chair
 - a. Andrew move to appoint James as chair. Laura second. All in favor, none opposed. So moved.
 - b. Pending James' reappointment by council, he agrees to continue as chair.
5. Disc Golf FMLD Grant Partnership Request – Dave Lincoln
 - a. Requesting City's partnership for FMLD grant to build an 18-hole disc golf course above the Community Center on Wulfsohn near the Wulfsohn Trails.
 - b. Proposed location is sought and utilized by numerous groups.
 - c. City also applying for FMLD mini grant for Phase I of Sayre Park. Could create competition.
 - d. Andy moves that these gentlemen work with City staff to find optimal location for disc golf. Bill second. All in favor.
6. Whitewater Lease Property – Phoebe Larsson of Whitewater Rafting LLC
 - a. Whitewater Rafting LLC has a long-term lease on city property across from Whitewater Rafting on Devereux.
 - i. Whitewater installed a boat ramp on the property.

- ii. In 2014, the annual lease rate was increased to \$7,500 from \$100 per year.
 - iii. City has requested use of the ramp for its Two River boat ramp permit holders during the Two River Park construction. This sparked the discussion of renegotiating the lease rate and term and possibility of sale of the property to Whitewater LLC from the City.
 - b. Andrew – City ownership of the riverfront property is important because it ensures public access to the river. Trespassing concerns could arise because, with sale, the property would then be private property. Doesn't support selling the property but does support the possibility of a permanent easement to Whitewater.
 - c. Brian – City has recently purchased Western Petroleum Property. Council is considering sell other city properties. This property (Whitewater boat ramp) was platted, can be sold; however, if it has been designated as "public use" it would need to go to vote to sell. However, if it was never designated as public use property, it wouldn't need to go vote. This item will be addressed in an executive session with Council on Thursday.
 - d. Andrew moves that Parks and Recreation Commission support continued city ownership of river front property but in consideration of Whitewater and the white water rafting community, ask council to grant a permanent easement to Whitewater LLC for the property if it can be confirmed that rights of access to the public will be non-exclusive. Jasmin second. All in favor, none opposed.
- 7. South Canyon Hot Springs Health RFP Discussion
 - a. James – Should we ask Council to consider RFP to evaluate the health of the hot springs there since we're pursuing a master plan of South Canyon?
 - b. South Canyon Master Plan draft is due end of February.
 - c. Andrew – Moves that we wait for a draft master plan. Dawn second. All in favor, none opposed.
- 8. South Canyon Coal Seam Project
 - a. State Office of Mining Reclamation and Safety have cleared their cultural permits and exemptions with the county for excavation and are ready to start South Canyon East Coal Seam Project. Would like to start as soon as weather and seasonal conditions allow, possibly April.
 - b. Project site will be about a mile up from the landfill on the east side. Will address the quickly growing coal seam fire.
 - c. Project proposes covering east side of coal seam fire subsidence with near by excavated soil, cover with a clay liner and rubble. Purpose is to suppress

fire's oxygen intake and slow the fire's spread. Excavated area will be revegetated.

- d. Will take about 300,000 gallons of water, doesn't need fresh/clean water.
- e. Road impacts in area but no traffic control plan.
- f. No impact to trails or gun range.
- g. State will present project to Council on March 5th.
- h. No motion needed, just an update.

9. Distribution of Confluence Drawings

- a. Review of Confluence designs from January meeting in large scale.
- b. Parking concerns may be addressed with an underground parking garage.
- c. Commission members feel that consideration should be given to the funeral home and it's important to the members of our community.

10. Sayre Park Phase II Committee Selection

- a. Phase II includes north of ballfields and west of upper bench, playground, pavilion, restroom, upper pavilion, stairs, sledding hill, volleyball courts, and horseshoe pits, parking, and handicap parking
- b. Will Phase II coincide with Blake and Hyland Park intersection fixes? Not necessarily but this commission could suggest the idea to Council.
- c. Who would commission like to see on the committee?
 - i. Current members include Angie Anderson - Chamber, Debbie Wilde – Rotary Club and Valley Life for All, Jenny Futsco – Arc of the Central Mountains, and a representative from St. Stephens.
 - ii. Dawn suggests the daycare center at Valley View as a stakeholder.
 - iii. Jasmin volunteers to represent the Parks and Recreation commission.

11. Cost Recovery Model

- a. 2006 Master Plan was very Recreation Center focused.
- b. Cost Recovery Model was completed in 2008 by Green Play.
 - i. Looked at subsidy amount, membership fees, program fees.
 - ii. Explanation of current model
 - 1. 0%-10% - drop-in non-monitored
 - 2. 50% - Introductory school-aged programs/camps, special events
 - 3. 80% - Advanced school-age programs/camps, introductory adult/senior programs, teams/leagues, non-profit/government rentals, drop-in monitored
 - 4. 110% - Child care, advanced programs, profit/private rentals, trips

- 5. 150% - private/semi-private instruction, merchandise, equipment rental, equipment service
- c. In 2019, we raised our revenue projection by 50% from about \$1 million to \$1.5 million. The projection was surpassed for 2019 and we were under for our expenditure budget. The Community Center is operating at about a 60-70% cost recovery. Average is about 30%.
- d. We are almost at capacity for memberships with about 3,000 members.
- e. To be 100% sustainable, we would need to either double of membership rates or double of members.
- f. James ask Brian if by next meeting he could find out how much it would cost to conduct a fee comparison study.
- g. There are plans to do a new master plan.
- h. James would like a budget analysis of Park and Recreation of expenditures and revenues of 2019 for March's meeting. Brian to put together.
- i. James requests that this item be kept on the agendas.

12.2020 Approved Budget and Projects

- a. Budget was approved in November 2019. We have an "accurate" version; however, the final version is still being worked on.
- b. 2020 Projects
 - i. Community Center - Replacement of Fitness Equipment - \$30k
 - ii. Community Center - Security Cameras/Keyless Entry - \$60k
 - iii. Community Center - Acid-Rite System - \$10k
 - iv. Community Center - Trough grates, handhold brackets - \$22k
 - v. Community Center – Lap Pool Re-plaster - \$100k
 - vi. Community Center – 1st and 2nd floor carpet replacement - \$30k
 - vii. Community Center – Window Repairs - \$50k
 - viii. Art Center – Replace Stairs - \$35k
 - ix. Art Center – Fire Suppression - \$65k
 - x. Art Center – Clay Sink - \$20k
 - xi. Parks – Bear Proof Trash Cans - \$23.5k
 - xii. Parks – Remote Controlled Light Timers - \$10k
 - xiii. Parks – Remote Controlled Door Locks for Parks Restrooms - \$50k
 - xiv. Parks – Signage - \$8.5k
 - xv. Parks – Whitewater Park Improvements - \$50k (being rolled over from 2019)
 - xvi. South Canyon trails, archery range, upper trail head parking lot, Lookout Mountain new trails, and new Parks building.

13. Director's Report

- a. Silver Prom scheduled for February 6th.

b. Daddy Daughter Dance scheduled for February 7th.

14. March Agenda Items

a. Earth Day Ideas (Laura to think of ideas)

i. Invite Dan and Pat.

b. 2019 Budget Analysis

15. Adjourn at 7:55pm.