



## MINUTES

### City of Glenwood Springs Parks and Recreation Commission

February 2, 2022 at 6:00 pm

1. Roll Call at 6:02pm
  - a. Commission: Laura Speck, Andrew Mueller, Matt Armentrout, Christina Pearson, James Fosnaught, Kris Smulczenski, Jasmin Ramirez, Magdalena Palomares, Bill Coleman
  - b. Staff: Brian Smith, Steve Frederick, Dan Roper, Karstin Moser, Danielle Campbell, Cristi Newton, Jenn Ooton, Gladys Arango
  - c. City Council Representative: Ingrid Wussow, Charlie Willman
  - d. Presenters:
2. Citizen Comments:
3. Approval of January Minutes
  - a. James moved to approve the January minutes as written, Christina second (prior to Bill joining). All in favor, motion carried.
4. South Canyon Discussion
  - a. Council has directed staff to work with the Parks and Recreation Commission to develop a scope of work for an RFP to create a South Canyon Area Management Plan.
  - b. Brian will share RFP from 2018 on South Canyon with James and he will add items brought about in the public outreach process to the document. Document will then be shared with the commission for review during next meeting.
  - c. Previous studies completed on South Canyon will be sent to the commission.
  - d. Onsite visit for commission and possibly the Historic Preservation Commission to be schedule when the weather warms up.
5. Trails Plan and Funding Update
  - a. City has been asked to update the Trails Master Plan, last revised in 1991. Document aids in transportation planning throughout the city.
  - b. Trails plan could help guide how funding for outside organizations who aid in trails construction and maintenance is allocated in addition to helping evaluate the need and desire to have certain kinds of trails.
  - c. City has \$50k for trails maintenance budgeted.
6. Generate List of Ideas for North Landing
  - a. Representative from the DDA, Parks and Recreation Commission, Arts and Culture Board, and Economic/Community Development staff will be getting together on February 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss potential use for the North Landing Area.
  - b. 6<sup>th</sup> Street Project may be moving forward in 2023 and the thought is to have the North Landing area follow.
  - c. Karstin will send a doodle poll out to the commission to see when interested members can meet to brainstorm ideas for North Landing prior to the February meeting.
7. REI Rental Program Impacts and Opportunities for Gear Library
  - a. Once REI is in town, staff would like to reach out to them to find out more about their rental programs and partnership opportunities. Meeting will be coordinated with a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, Parks and Recreation, and Community Development.

8. Underserved Populations Outreach
  - a. Gladys Arango was hired in August 2021 as the Community Outreach Coordinator. She has worked to provide outreach to the Latino Community and help to enlighten the city about the community's needs and concerns.
  - b. City's flyers, newsletters, press releases, community listening sessions, open houses, and inquiry responses have been translated to Spanish by Gladys.
  - c. The Community Outreach Coordinator position is currently grant funded, but the city will be having discussions about keeping the position and making changes to it; possibly making it full time and creating more positions within other departments.
9. Director's Report
  - a. Tyler Benton interviewed with staff prior to this meeting for a seat on the Commission. Counselor Wussow will be in touch with Tyler to follow up.
  - b. Performance Contracting being revisited for City Facilities. Performance Contracting allows municipalities to borrow against future energy savings created by energy improvement projects.
  - c. Attractions Tax discussions happening again; could be potential Parks and Recreation initiatives funding.
  - d. Monthly Staff Reports review. Brian will send monthly reports to commission.
10. March Agenda Items
  - a. Meet New Staff – Annie Henninger, Art Supervisor and Joe Van Wyk, Marketing Coordinator
  - b. North Landing Update from Stakeholder Meeting
  - c. Jasmin Reaching out to Beatriz Soto to see if she would like to meet with the commission
  - d. Youth Input - Magdalena to reach out to peers. Commission could also invite high school, middle school, and St. Stephens to see if they have an outdoors club that may be interested in contributing.
  - e. 2022 Events Overview
11. Motion to Adjourn at 8:10pm by Bill, second by Kris. All in favor, motion carried.