

**Ouray City Council Regular Meeting
Summarized Minutes
Monday, November 6, 2017 at 6pm
Massard Auditorium – Ouray Community Center**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Larson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pam Larson - Present
Mayor Pro Tem Glenn Boyd - Present
Council member Dawn Glanc – Present
Council member Dee Hilton - Present
Council member Bette Maurer - Present

Also present were City Resources Director Rick Noll, Public Works Director Dennis Erickson, Police Chief Justin Perry and Finance and Administration Director Melissa Drake

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED

Mayor Larson requested a moment of silence for the victims and families of the mass shooting in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Beer & Wine Liquor License Application – JTP Incorporated dba Ouray RV Park & Cabins/Ouray Café

Mayor Larson opened the public hearing.

Jason Perkins, the applicant, stated that his café business has grown and desires to serve beer and wine along with food.

Mayor Larson asked for public comment. John Wood stated that he is in favor of the license but asked about liquor enforcement around the campground. Mr. Perkins stated that beer and wine will only be sold in the café and must be consumed in the café.

Mayor Larson closed the public hearing.

- 2018 City Budget

Mayor Larson opened the public hearing.

Mike Bazin spoke about his concern over the increased revenue projections for the pool and Box Canon. Mayor Larson stated that there was quite a bit of analysis regarding pool revenues and there is a \$1 increase for each admission to Box Canon.

Mayor Larson closed the public hearing.

Mayor Larson read a Proclamation pardoning Tina the turkey and her new friend Ricky.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meetings – 9/18, 10/2, 10/16 and Special Meetings – 9/14, 9/21, 9/26, 10/3, 10/24, 11/1

Mayor Larson asked if there were any changes to the minutes.

The minutes for the meeting held on 9/18 should specify that the sign being discussed was the Box Cañon sign.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made a motion to approve the minutes of 9/18 with the stated change. Council member Hilton seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

The minutes for the meeting held on 10/24 should specify that in the discussion of candidates for City Administrator, the Council stated that there was not a #2 candidate.

Council member Glanc made a motion to approve the minutes of 10/24 with the stated change. Council member Maurer seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

The remainder of the minutes had no changes. Mayor Larson stated that the remainder of the minutes stand approved.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

- Council Response from Citizens Communication, October 16th - Council - none
- Presentation of the Audit of 2016 Financials
Pete Blair with Blair and Associates presented the 2016 Audit to the Council. He outlined the audit report and stated that the funds were healthy.
- Tanner Kingery introduced himself. He is an employee of the County Health Department and stated that there are funds available for certain projects.

CITY COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mayor Pro Tem Boyd: Disaster Finance Workshop (10/30) – He and MartyJo Davis attended and felt it was very valuable. He stated that it was so valuable that the Director of Finance and Administration should attend next year since she could not attend this year.
- Council member Glanc: CAST 10/26 – Council members Glanc and Maurer attended the CAST dinner and the hot topic was affordable housing.

- Council member Hilton:
 - Beautification Committee update – There will be a ribbon-cutting at noon on Saturday, Nov. 11th at noon. Sabrina and Terry Butler stated that the playground at Rotary Park is complete and noted that the project was completed under budget. They thanked John Wood and Jason Perkins for their work on the excavation.
 - Yule Night and Winterfest – will be held December 2nd
- Council member Maurer:
 - CAST 10/26 – waiting for a report on wilderness areas
 - EPA Tour of Camp Bird – There will be excavation occurring in the spring which will affect the sediment in the river.
 - Short-term Rental Committee 10/30 and 11/1 – The committee is very enthusiastic and hopes to have recommendations by January.
- Mayor Larson:
 - Treasurer’s Report
 - LOT – 2% up, actual room rentals is at an all-time high. Mike Bazin asked about collecting from non-payers.
 - Sales Tax detail report – Kat Papenbrock gave an overview of the factors which affect sales tax
 - August Financials
 - Update on Administrator interviews – Jonathan Batt has declined our offer of employment. Last Friday, Interim Administrator Perry’s contract ended and he has returned to the Police Department full-time
 - Review of Special Meeting on 11/1 – The Council met on the Administrator topic, pool issues, and signed a contract with Chris Hawkins of Alpine Planning as an interim contractor. The pool design team has some changes which will be implemented on November 13th and 14th which should improve the hot water issues.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Police Chief Perry stated that when he receives Mark Garcia’s report, he will forward it to Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Liquor License Renewal – Gregg & Rosemarie Pieper dba/Western Hotel
- Special Events Permit Application – Ouray County Nordic Council – Nordic Council Dinner, November 14th

Council member Maurer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Beer & Wine Liquor License Application – JTP Inc. dba Ouray RV Park & Cabins/Ouray Café

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made a motion to approve the Beer & Wine Liquor License. Council member Hilton seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

- Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Ouray Police Department and Ouray School District R-1

Police Chief Perry stated that this is the first time that there will be an MOU between the Police Department and the School District. He stated that this is another step in the Community Policing Project.

Council member Maurer made a motion to approve the MOU. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

- Consideration, discussion, and possible acceptance of Annual Audit (2016 Financials)

Council member Hilton made a motion to accept the Audit. Council member Maurer seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote. The Council requested that the Audit report be completed earlier next year.

- Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of purchase of pool blankets

City Resources Director Rick Noll stated that thermal blankets for the geothermal pools and lap pool should help retain heat and reduce evaporation. He stated that the blankets were removed from the original pool renovation project to reduce costs. Estimates show that about 25% of the heat loss of the pools come from evaporation.

Tom Kavanagh, Pool Manager, gave the Council more specifics and stated that increased labor to cover and uncover the pools will be approximately \$11,000 per winter season. He also stated that the life of the blankets varies from 3-7 years. He stated that money may be better spent to purchase additional heat sources (like a boiler) instead of pool blankets.

The Council discussed this item and Phil Martinez, Mike Z., Ryan Hein, and Mike Bazin spoke in favor of spending money on boilers instead of purchasing blankets.

The Council tabled this item until more information is gained.

- Consideration, discussion, and possible appointment of Ouray Ice Park Sustainability Committee Members, Council Liaison, and facilitator

The Council determined that the Committee should contain 11 members

Steve Berwanger introduced himself and stated his qualifications for being on the Committee. Dolgio Nergui spoke on Steve Berwanger's behalf. John Wood spoke about his interest and qualifications to serve on the Committee. Logan Tyler spoke in favor of adding Frank Robertson to the committee.

Council member Glanc made a motion to appoint the following to the Committee:

Logan Tyler
Heidi Pankow
Matt Wade
Bill Leo
Betty Wolf
Sam Rushing
Steve Berwanger
Dolgio Nergui
Frank Robertson
John Wood
Kevin Koprek

Council member Hilton seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

Mayor Larson stated that Don Batchelder had volunteered to be the facilitator, Hannah Hollenbeck had volunteered to be the scribe, and Council member Dawn Glanc had requested to be the Council Liaison. The Council did not object.

- Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of hiring an Interim City Administrator

The Council took no action but scheduled a Special Meeting on Thursday November 9th at 8am for this item and determining a process for hiring a permanent City Administrator.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Outdoor Recreation

Council member Glanc stated that the City has labelled itself as the Outdoor Recreation Capital of Colorado and wanted to put something in motion.

Council member Hilton stated that the Beautification Committee has ideas on this and Mayor Pro Tem Boyd stated that many of the ideas are outlined in the Strategic Plan.

John Wood, Community Development Committee member, stated that Ouray needs a Community Plan to combine many efforts.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:15pm, Council member Hilton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion and it was approved on unanimous vote.

Pamela J. Larson 11-20-17
Pamela J. Larson, Mayor Date

ATTEST:

Melissa M. Drake
Melissa M. Drake, City Clerk