

**Ouray City Council Regular Meeting
Summarized Minutes
Monday, June 18, 2018 at 7:00pm
Massard Auditorium – Ouray Community Center**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Larson called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. 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 Administrator Katie Sickles, Public Works Director Joe Coleman, Police Chief Justin Perry, Community Development Coordinator Chris Hawkins, Finance and Administration Director Melissa Drake, and City Attorney Carol Viner

3. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Move or remove items or address conflict of interest

City Administrator Katie Sickles asked to add the following items:

- Pete Foster, City Water Engineer, will speak during the Citizens Communications section
- MAMS is requesting a smoking location in Fellin Park for the concert series
- Need to appoint a representative from the City of Ouray to WestCo Dispatch. Ms. Sickles asked Police Chief Justin Perry who he recommends as the representative. He stated that he would like to be that representative and suggested that Fire Chief Trevor Latta be the alternate.

Council member Maurer stated that she needs to recuse herself from Elks Club item on Consent Agenda so move it should be moved to Action Items.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Council member Hilton seconded the motion and it was approved on unanimous vote.

5. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

- a. **Pete Foster with Wright Water Engineers** – Mr. Foster gave a presentation regarding water production of the Weehawken Spring (Ouray potable municipal water source) and City usage. He also described current conditions with the legal water supply rights. He also stated that the Weehawken Spring flow looks as if it reacts to natural precipitation amounts and may be connected to surface water. If CDPHE determines that it is connected to surface water, they could require the City to build a water treatment plant instead of just treating the spring water with chlorine. He stated that currently, the City has an adequate water supply. He recommended:
- Begin phased implementation plan to install water meters over a reasonable period
 - Develop a raw water source for non-potable water needs: Ice Park, hydropower, dust control, and Hot Springs Pool
 - Continue leak detection and repair activities
 - Implement voluntary water restrictions as good neighbors to other water users of the Uncompahgre River

Mr. Foster answered questions from the citizens in attendance and the Council

Mayor Larson moved to Item 7, SAN JUAN MOUNTAIN GUIDES CONCESSIONAIRE 2017-2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Nate Disser, one of the owners of San Juan Mountain Guides, gave an overview of the post-season report, which was in the packet.

Mayor Larson moved back to Item 5b.

b. Unscheduled

- Laslo Kabini (sp?) stated that he has lived in Whispering Pines subdivision for 44 years and the sewer treatment plant currently has horrible odors and asked what is being done. Joe Coleman, Public Works Director, said that a consultant has been hired and they are working on a master plan for the plant. Mayor Larson stated that the master plan should be complete in the next few months.
- Ariana Sherman, Opioid Response, spoke about the opioid crisis and safe disposal of medications. An event will be held on June 27th, 4-8pm, at the Ouray 4H Center.

c. Council's Response from Citizens' Communication – none

6. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS/INFORMATION

a. Appoint Ice Park Advisory Team member from City Council

Council member Hilton nominated Council member Dawn Glanc to be an Ice Park Advisory Team member. Council member Glanc accepted the nomination. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

b. Ice Park Advisory Team By-Laws Template

The Council was in favor of the Template but requested that term limits be added. Administrator Sickles will follow up with OIPI.

7. SAN JUAN MOUNTAIN GUIDES CONCESSIONAIRE 2017-2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Moved to earlier in the meeting.

8. FINANCE DIRECTOR

a. May 2018 Financial Statements

Finance and Administration Director Melissa Drake noted that revenues lag due to seasonal timing. Administrator Sickles spoke about issues with the Water Fund and a Water Loan Covenant reserve. She stated that there may be a need to transfer money from another fund to the Water Fund. More information will be available soon.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made a motion to approve the May 2018 Financial Statements. Council member Maurer seconded the motion and it was approved on unanimous vote.

b. Disbursements

Council member Maurer noted that we made a payment on our bonds. She wanted citizens to know that we are paying our obligations.

Council member Glanc made a motion to accept the disbursements. Council member Maurer seconded the motion and it was approved on unanimous vote.

c. Sales Tax Report

Ms. Drake noted that Sales Tax is on the increase. This report shows Sales Tax for April sales and the funds were received in June.

d. LOT Report

Ms. Drake stated that LOT follows along very closely with Sales Tax. There was a greater occupancy in April but a lower overall revenue than in 2017. Kat Papenbrock, from the Ouray Visitor Center, explained that some lodging facilities are late in reporting.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Special Event Permit Application, Ouray Volunteer Fire Dept, Fireman's Ball - July 3rd - Fellin Park**
- b. **Special Event Permit Application, Ouray Elks Club, July 4th – MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS**
- c. **Ouray County Housing Advisory Committee Andrea Sokolowski, County resident and Town of Ridgway property owner, to fill Mr. Pike's unexpired term to expire in January 2019**
- d. **Ouray Volunteer Fire Department By-Laws**

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

10. ACTION ITEMS

- a. **Special Event Permit Application, Ouray Elks Club, July 4th**

Council member Maurer recused herself from this item since she is listed on the application. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made a motion approve the Special Event Permit. Council member Glanc seconded the motion and it was approved on unanimous vote.

- b. **Ratify Declaration of Stage 2 Fire Restrictions**

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made motion to ratify the Declaration of Stage 2 Fire Restrictions. Council member Glanc seconded the motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd stated that the County and the National Forests are at Stage 2. Laura Slawischtka stated that there needs to be a specific flyer available regarding "no smoking outdoors."

Trisha Johnson stated that if the City's Declaration is to follow the Federal restrictions, as stated in the declaration, then smoking should be allowed in a 3 foot circle barren of all flammable materials. The Council discussed this amongst themselves and with citizens.

Mr. Boyd amended motion to revise the declaration to match the Federal language. Council member Glanc agreed to this amendment. The amended motion passed on unanimous vote.

- c. **Ratify Declaration of Stage II Water Restrictions**

Mayor Pro Tem Boyd stated that based on Mr. Foster's presentation, he would like to make a motion to not ratify this declaration and remain at Stage I. Council member Maurer seconded the motion. The Council discussed both sides of this issue, especially relating to supporting neighbor communities.

Adam Kunz stated that he waters his lawn to try to create a fire line between his home and the beetle-kill trees behind his house.

Mark Orgren stated that there are water wars going on down river, wasting water to fight a neighbor, he stated that the restrictions are a one-size fits all solution which does not fit all.

Amy Winterowd stated that we're wasting water by sending it to the river instead of keeping vegetation alive in the City.

"Bumper" stated that we should get rid of the Cottonwood trees that are "eating up the water supply." He also stated that most of what we use goes back into the river.

Craig Kaminski stated that what he likes about the Stage II water restrictions is that it doesn't allow watering in the middle of the day. Maybe we can find a middle ground between Stage I and Stage II.

The motion passed on a vote of 4 to 1 with Council member Glanc voting "No."

Administrator Sickles stated that her concern was that the City may have to build a water treatment plant at the same we have to deal with the wastewater treatment plant issues without sufficient funds.

Michael Bazin asked about future capacity. How many houses or hotel rooms can we support? Chris Hawkins said that he and Pete Foster will be working on this project.

d. Ouray 4th of July Volunteer Fire Department Water Fights

Betty Wolf stated that if the water fights are cancelled, the water should be stopped in the hydroelectric plant.

Craig Kaminski stated that the water fights use no more than 19,000 gallons.

Adam Kunz stated that most of that water flows back into the river.

Pete Foster suggested that Public Works keep a watch on the tanks to make sure the water level is adequate.

Council member Hilton asked about water usage for practicing for the water fights. Fire Department staff stated that this will be very limited.

Council member Maurer made a motion to allow the water fights with Public Works monitoring the storage tanks. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

Craig Kaminski suggested using CDOT's message sign in Ridgway to publicize the Stage 2 Fire Restrictions. Dack Klein stated that everyone can educate public.

- e. **MAMS requesting a roped off 25'x25' area within the dirt portion of the baseball field to designate as a smoking area for the concerts in Fellin Park**

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

- f. **Ouray Beautification Committee**

- **Vacancy appointment: Ned Bosworth & Heidi Arriza OBC Recommended (Applicants Debbie Mudge & Jean Sellers)**

Council member Maurer made a motion to appoint Ned Bosworth and Heidi Arriza to the Ouray Beautification Committee. Council member Hilton seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

- **Recognition for Mike Kern**

A letter will be sent to Mr. Kern.

- **Resignation and Recognition of Terry Butler**

A letter will be sent to Mr. Butler.

11. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, IGAS, OR OTHER OFFICIAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPROVALS

- a. **Resolution No. 10, 2018 – Out of City water service termination with regards to water restriction violations**

Council member Hilton made a motion to approve Resolution No. 10, 2018. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

- b. **Resolution No. 11, 2018 – 2018 1st and 2nd Quarter Budget Supplement**

Council member Glanc made a motion to approve Resolution No. 11, 2018. Council member Maurer seconded the motion and it passed on unanimous vote.

- c. **Ordinance No. 7 Series 2018 – Emergency Ordinance regarding Fire Ban Violations**

Council member Glanc made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 7. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd seconded the motion.

City Attorney Carol Viner gave an overview of the ordinance. Fire Chief Trevor Latta asked Council about a restaurant in the City which smokes meats. The Council asked Chief Latta to check into what other communities are doing. Kat Papenbrock stated that San Juan County has some very specific information on the fire ban.

The motion passed on unanimous vote.

12. CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- a. **Upcoming schedule of all known meetings for next month is in the packet, information on the new administrative vehicle, next meeting will be at 6pm and all future meetings will be at 6pm**
- b. **JVA Projects/Spreadsheet**

Ms. Sickles stated that the meeting schedule and the project spreadsheet are in the packet.

13. DISCUSSION

- a. **Volunteer Thank You Card**

Ms. Sickles discussed the card and that it will be signed by Council. Council member Maurer stated that a dinner for volunteers should be held. Mayor Pro Tem Boyd stated that it should be budgeted.

- b. **Other -none**

ADDED ACTION ITEM: Appointment of a representative from the City of Ouray to WestCo Dispatch

Council member Maurer made a motion to appoint Police Chief Perry as primary representative and Fire Chief Latta as secondary representative to the WestCo Board

14. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:25pm, Mayor Pro Tem Boyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council member Glanc seconded the motion and it was approved on unanimous vote.

Pamela J. Larson 7/2/18
Pamela J. Larson, Mayor Date

ATTEST:

Melissa M. Drake
Melissa M. Drake, City Clerk