

LEADVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, January 05, 2016

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Greg Labbe, Councilmember  
Jake Mohrmann, Councilmember  
Mike Canty, Councilmember  
Jaime Stuever, Mayor  
Luke Finken, Mayor Pro Tem  
Max Duarte, Councilmember  
Gwen Shepherd, Councilmember

STAFF, DEPT HEADS, & COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sarah Dallas, Administrative Services Manager, HR and Planning Official  
Roy McGinnis, Finance Director  
Saige Bertolas, Acting Police Chief  
Joe Swyers, City Clerk  
Pam Andrews, City Clerk Elect  
Shoshanah Beck, Councilmember Elect  
Greg Douglas, Councilmember Elect

City Council met in a regular public session in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

Mayor Stuever called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken.

(6:31 PM) Agenda Revisions: None.

(6:31 PM) Approval of minutes of the special meeting of December 8, 2015.

Councilmember Canty moved to approve the minutes the meeting of December 8, 2015. Councilmember Labbe seconded. Roll call: unanimous yes.

(6:32 PM) Approval of minutes of the special meeting of December 14, 2015.

Councilmember Canty moved to approve the minutes the meeting of December 14, 2015. Mayor Pro Tem Finken seconded. Roll call: with the exception of Councilmember Shepherd, who abstained, unanimous yes.

(6:32 PM) Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of December 15, 2015.

Mayor Stuever moved to approve the minutes the meeting of December 15, 2015. Councilmember Labbe seconded. Roll call: with the exception of Mayor Pro Tem Finken, who abstained, unanimous yes.

(6:33 PM) Early Unscheduled Business: None

(6:34 PM) Presentation to Artin Panosyan aka L.G. Cosmo: Mayor Stuever presented Cosmo with a Key to the City saying Cosmo has brought great energy, positive impact to the community and inspired connection to earth & the universe. Cosmo is a noble, spiritual leader, he likes everyone. When Cosmo slipped on the ice, he was missed. The Key to the City is a symbol of Leadville (Stuever). Artin Panosyan aka L.G. Cosmo said he was surprised by the Key and observed that the people of Leadville are remarkable and have personality. Cosmo continued saying Leadville is historical and everyone brings their own spiritual wisdom here. He said the Key to Leadville will be a symbol in his museum of love, peace and respect to everyone here.

(6:39 PM) National Mentoring Month Proclamation: Mayor Stuever made a proclamation setting January 2016 as Mentoring Month in Leadville, Colorado. National Mentoring Month is a month long outreach campaign focusing national and local attention on the need for youth mentors.

(6:44 PM) Colorado Main Street Historic Preservation themed license plate contest:

- Colorado Preservation Inc is petitioning the State of Colorado to get preservation license plates that registered vehicle owners can purchase for \$25.00. That money will go directly to Colorado Preservation Inc Endangered Places. (ASM Dallas)
- We may soon have our own endangered place here in Leadville. This is an easy way to add money for historic preservation in the State of Colorado. (ASM Dallas)
- 3000 registered vehicle owners in the State of Colorado are needed on the petitions in order for the license plates to be made. (ASM Dallas)
- We could possibly win the contest for the most signatures to get a free Saving Places conference for one of our Historic Preservation Commissioners.
- Signing the petition says yes, I think it makes sense to have that license plate in the State of Colorado. (ASM Dallas) Mayor Stuever asked if he or anyone else could take the petitions around to gather signatures. ASM Dallas answered yes, she has to turn them in by the end of this month[January].
- This is a good way to generate funding that will come back to help with historic preservation (Stuever). It is partnering with people who are about historic preservation around the State, we have become one of those communities, deeply involved in historic preservation. Our Main Street program is just the beginning of that (Labbe).

(6:47 PM) Renewal of Retail Recreational Marijuana License for Nature's Spirit: Adjourn the City Council meeting, and convene the Local Marijuana licensing authority (Stuever). There was no representation from Natures Spirit, as it was just a renewal. They are living in Ft. Collins, their managers live here. They requested not to have to attend the meeting. Referenced comment sheet by Acting Chief Saige Bertolas (ASM Dallas). As far as we know the entire process has been completed? (Labbe). ASM Dallas affirmed. Nature's Spirit is an existing business, this is a renewal, have not seen any problems with them (Stuever).

(6:48 pm) Councilmember Labbe moved that City Council renew the retail recreational marijuana license for Sipes Mountain Traders, LLC dba Nature's Spirit. Councilmember Canty seconded. Councilmember Canty asked Acting Chief Bertolas if she was alright with the renewal, she responded yes. Roll call: unanimous yes.

(6:49 pm) Adjourn Local Marijuana Licensing Authority meeting – Re-convene Meeting of City Council.

(6:50 pm) Resolution 01, Series 2016 designating public notice location and newspaper:

- Councilmember Canty moved that City Council adopt Resolution 01, Series 2016 A Resolution Designating the official public notice location and the official newspaper of general circulation for the city of Leadville, Colorado.
- Councilmember Labbe seconded.
- Council worked on this last year, the fact that people who did not have a subscription to the newspaper would not have access to the notices. The clarification from the newspaper said that newspapers in general have an outlet for notices, non-subscription based, wondered if that should be included (Labbe).
- It is connected to the Colorado Press Association. It is posted on the door [letter from Marcia Martinek on front door of City Hall] (Swyers).
- Should that be included in this motion Councilmember Labbe asked, since it is a 3rd, fairly significant piece of notification? Whatever we put in, in the Legals, will automatically go to that web site (Swyers). This [resolution] is telling the public that our front door [of City Hall] and the Herald Democrat is where you will find stuff. If they have an objection, saying they did not know about it but we put it on the front door and in the Legals, we are covered.
- Councilmember Labbe wanted to put the web site in so that people would know where to access it, Mayor Pro Tem Finken explained that if the web site was included then Council would be bound to it, could be a problem if the web site changed.

(6:52 pm) Roll call: unanimous yes.

(6:53 pm) City Hall Phone System: ASM Dallas summarized that we had phone outages as our Charter modem for internet went down. Charter had to install a new modem. Our old system had one box for phone and internet. Those had to be separated, they had to put new phone modems and new internet modems in. Since Charter does not deal with phone systems, there were issues. A notice has gone to the paper to notify the public what happened. We are operational now since phone technicians came from Salida who were able to get us back online for the phone system. We are working to figure out cost to get it cleaned up so that we do not have a similar situation happen in the future. ASM Dallas had just received one quote from one phone company and that was for \$15,000.00 which is a lot. The phone technician who got us back on line said the cost should not be that high and that we should not have to get all new phones. That technician thought our phone system should be able to be cleaned up for a couple hundred to a couple thousand dollars. Our Public Relations Officer and Emergency Services Manager put out a notice of alternative cell phones to contact during the interim period to keep the public informed.

(6:55 pm) Upcoming Meetings:

Community Coffee starts Wednesday January 6th 6:30 p.m. (Labbe) January 9th from 1-3pm Huck Finn Park warming hut opens with free ice skating (Labbe). Lake County Open Space Initiative Meeting January 20th (Mohrmann). The County Commissioners meeting on January 18th has been moved to January 19th due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Labbe). Chief Daily said The Fire Dept. Planning board meeting January 13th and the Fire Dept. Mgmt Board meeting January 14th will both be changed but he did not have dates at that time.

(6:58 pm) Bills: None

(6:59 pm) Mayor's Report included: Recognition of December birthdays, Mayor Stuever, Mayor Pro Tem Finken and Financial Manager Roy McGinnis

(7:00 pm) Councilmember Reports:

Councilmember Labbe pointed out the Colorado Central Magazine with a writer from Salida did a whole magazine on Leadville which talked about Oscar Wilde and Ski Joring, there are local writers who participated and it was well done. Copies may be available at the Book Mine, and are also available at the Chamber of Commerce.

(7:01 pm) Public comments: None.

(7:02 pm) Mayor Stuever adjourned the council meeting.