

Cold Spring City Council

May 26 , 2020

The May 26, 2020 special council meeting was called to order by Mayor Penque at 6:30pm via teleconference.

Roll Call:

- Present: Mayor Angelo Penque, Councilmembers Paul Kloeker, Michael Ruscher, Chris Ampfer, Cindy Moore, Adam Sandfoss, Lisa Cavanaugh, City Administrator Steve Taylor, and City Clerk Robin Morency, Police Chief Steve Collinsworth, and City Attorney Brandon Voelker.
- Excused: Public Works Director Ronnie Hitch

Minute Approval:

- May 11, 2020 Special Council Meeting minutes: Adam Sandfoss made a motion. Lisa Cavanaugh seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed 6 yeses and 0 noes. **Motion carried.**

Robert J. Barth Park Rules:

- Steve Taylor provided some recommendations for rules for the council to review. Lisa Cavanaugh stated that she has received input requesting to allow coolers. There was discussion about alcohol in parks. Chris Ampfer shared his opinions, he disagrees with banning bicycles, designated fishing areas, and banning coolers. There was discussion in regards to bikes being allowed on the path around the lake. Chief Collinsworth stated that they will enforce whatever rules that Council wants to make. Cindy Moore also disagrees with banning coolers and designated fishing areas as that would be hard to enforce. Majority agree that items such as chairs and coolers should not be on the pathway. There was discussion about different complaints than have been received and there were suggestions to put up signage with the number for dispatch so that people can call that number when an incident occurs rather than calling the City Building after an incident has happened. Council agreed that motorized vehicles should not be allowed on the path, and a majority agreed that bicycles should be allowed. The attorney is going to draft an ordinance for the next video. They decided that they would like a sign with the rules listed as bullet points so it is easy for everyone to read. Chief Collinsworth stated that the Police Department will enforce fishing with a license at the lake, and he stated that Fish & Wildlife has already been there twice. Council discussed whether or not the lake should be catch and release. Chris Ampfer said that we should not make it catch and release, that they can keep what they catch. It was discussed that a lot of the enforcement will be taken care of by Fish & Wildlife. Anyone over the age of 16 is required to have a fishing license.

Building Drawings:

- Cindy Moore asked for some clarification on the drawings of the community center. Steve Taylor confirmed that it is an elementary sized gym with a walking path around the top level, two rooms (one accommodating 50 people and the other accommodates 12-15) and a kitchen as well as restrooms. Lisa Cavanaugh led a discussion about whether or not there would be room for historical items in the community center. Chris Ampfer and Adam Sandfoss suggested some sort of display case. Cindy Moore suggested getting items professionally framed and placing them throughout the city building and community center. It was suggested to put the drawings on the website and Facebook so citizens can see them and contact the city building with any questions, this was decided since it has not been safe to have public meetings due to COVID-19. There was some discussion about whether or not the project should be put on hold in regards to COVID-19 and if that has caused any financial issues for the City. Steve Taylor stated that the city is running ahead on revenue and the city finances haven't been impacted. Council agreed to continue with the project.

Small Business Grants

- Steve Taylor provided the council with a rough idea to get the conversation started and is asking for feedback. Lisa Cavanaugh asked what businesses are eligible if it excludes franchises and must have employees between 3-50. Brandon Voelker gave an explanation of what businesses in the city would be eligible. Mayor Penque mentioned that he would like to help the small businesses and the residents, for example removing the trash fee from taxes. Paul Kloeker stated it would be nice to help out the businesses as they bring in a lot of the revenue for the city. Chris Ampfer stated that he doesn't agree with doing this. Cindy Moore said that she would most likely need to recuse herself from the vote as she has quite a few family members that own businesses in Cold Spring. Michael Ruscher stated that the information that he has read about other cities doing this is strictly for businesses. He said that residents are able to file for things like unemployment and are able to get help in other ways and he would like to see what the other cities have done. Lisa Cavanaugh suggested asking the businesses to provide their financial hardships in an attempt to give it to the businesses that really need it.

Adjournment:

- Mayor Penque adjourned the meeting at 8:32pm.

Approved:

City Clerk:

Mayor:

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