

**MINUTES
CARBONDALE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WORK SESSION
JULY 16, 2019**

Mayor Dan Richardson called the Work Session to order on July 16, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall meeting room.

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present for roll call:

Mayor	Dan Richardson
Trustees	Heather Henry
	Lani Kitching
	Marty Silverstein
	Erica Sparhawk
Absent	Ben Bohmfalk
	Luis Yllanes
Staff Present:	
Town Manager	Jay Harrington
Town Clerk	Cathy Derby
Town Attorney	Tarn Udall
Public Works Director	Kevin Schorzman
Student Resource Officer	Gretchen Stock-Bell
Management Intern	Angie Sprang

WE-CYCLE

Darryl Fuller, We-Cycle Board Member, and Mirte Mallory, We-Cycle Executive Director, and staff were present at the meeting.

Discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- RFTA included We-Cycle in Carbondale in its 2040 Destination Plan
- Darryl stated that the Bike/Pedestrian/Trails (B/P/T) Committee unanimously agreed to explore the idea of bringing bike sharing to Carbondale
The B/P/T was concerned as to how to serve different age groups – they think the program is a good fit for Carbondale and a good fit for the valley
The B/P/T discussed if the Town funds We-Cycle would the Town be forced to reduce funding for other amenities (e.g. trails)
The B/P/T discussed the possibility of using bike sharing year round
- We-Cycle is asking the Town to benchmark \$30,000 in the 2020 budget for

We-Cycle with the understanding that many things need to be worked out (sponsors, etc.)

- The bikes wouldn't be used specifically by Carbondale residents – people who come here to work and do business will also use them
- If the Town proceeds We-Cycle will do an assessment to identify the needs of the community and they want to try and accommodate all age groups
- There is the possibility that We-Cycle may purchase different bikes (tricycles) for seniors
- The Board was concerned about losing parking spaces – We-Cycle will identify and use underutilized street space and green space – in Aspen they fit 12 bikes in one parking space
- The Board considered starting with a smaller program
- We-Cycle is a public/private partnership and sponsorship is critical
- The Board asked if We-Cycle had presented their program to the Garfield County Commissioners – they haven't
- We-Cycle needs to research if it's viable to support the program for multiple years
- We-Cycle would like the program to become a regional system
- The Board agreed to put a \$30,000 placeholder in the 2020 budget
- We-Cycle will conduct public outreach August – October

TRANSPORTATION/CIRCULATOR BUS OPTIONS

Rick Galley, a retired engineer who has been researching the circulator bus, was present for the meeting.

Discussion ensued and the following points were made:

- Rick has attempted to layout efficient alternate circulator bus routes
- Rick met with RFTA staff and they told them that if Carbondale wants to increase circulator bus service they will have to pay for it
- The Board agreed that increasing senior mobility is a priority
- The Board would like to continue exploring the possibility of providing bus service to Heritage Park
- The Board asked Jerilyn Neislanik to survey the senior housing residents to see if they are interested in the possibility of extending the circulator bus to their housing complex
- The Board asked if there are other priorities that we should be considering
- The Board noted that many school bus routes are duplicated – would it be possible for RFTA and RE-1 School District to join together and create an in-town route for kids that could possibly act as a circulator bus – Trustee Sparhawk volunteered to contact the RE-1 Transportation Director to discuss this idea

AMENDMENTS TO NICOTINE REGULATIONS DISCUSSION

Risa Turetsky, Pitkin County Health Promotion Program Administrator/Nicotine Specialist and Gretchen Stock-Bell were present for the discussion.

Mayor Richardson stated that at the June 11, 2019 Board meeting the Trustees discussed amending the Town's Nicotine regulations. They asked the town attorney to research the potential for legal exposure should the Trustees decide to ban flavored Nicotine products, and regulate nicotine sales through licensing. Tarn stated that she would draft an ordinance as defensible as possible to minimize putting the Town at risk. Jay stated that if the Trustees decide to license Nicotine he would prefer it be done administratively so it's done as simply as possible.

After a lengthy discussion the Board agreed that they would like to ban flavored Nicotine and regulate Nicotine sales through licensing. Tarn will draft an ordinance for consideration at a future meeting.

The Board also agreed to put a question on the April ballot asking voters to increase the tax on Nicotine products. The Board will discuss how to spend the revenue from the tax at a future meeting.

Tarn informed the Board that the Clean Air Act regulation for the distance a person can smoke outside of a building has changed from 15 feet to 25 feet. The Board agreed to change Town regulations so it will defer to State regulations.

2020 GOALS

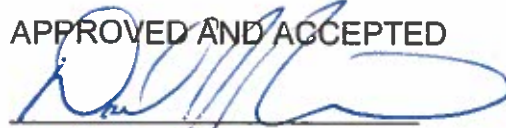
The Board discussed their 2020 goals which are listed as follows:

Ensuring police salaries are competitive; filling potential police leadership vacancies; identifying a comprehensive, long-term solution to workforce housing; financial resiliency in a potentially economic downturn; capital planning/funding, in general but also in a potentially looming economic downturn; water resiliency; mobility, especially for those with any level of disability; support for identifying Aquatics Center preferred alternative; solar partnerships; maintaining an awareness of surrounding communities; employee retention; downtown parking; assessing the carrying capacity of Carbondale

ADJOURNMENT


The July 16, 2019, work session adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on June 25, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED



Dan Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cathy Derby, Town Clerk