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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **City Celebrates Long-Serving Employees**

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, CO – On March 13, 2019, the City of Glenwood Springs will host its annual service awards ceremony to celebrate long-serving City employees. Among them are three who have given exceptionally long service to the City of Glenwood Springs: Seth Coller, Yvette Gustad, and Jerry Wade.

Seth Coller is celebrating 20 years of service in the electric department after beginning his career as an electric apprentice and then an electric journeyman. In 2006, Seth was promoted to electric crew lead and is involved with the training and development of new employees as he continues his leadership in the department.

Yvette Gustad began working for the City 25 years ago as an accounting clerk II and has progressively increased her skill set and taken on many roles in the finance department. Yvette has held been promoted four times in her tenure at the City to an accounting clerk III, to the accounting manager, to the assistant finance director, and to her current position as the finance director in March 2018. Yvette was instrumental in the 2018 budget process that earned the City the Distinguished Budget Award and the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for excellence in financial reporting.

Jerry Wade is currently the temporary special projects coordinator with the water and wastewater department and is celebrating 40 years of service to the City. He began his career in 1976 as a seasonal worker for the parks department before becoming full time with the water department in 1978 as a plant operator. In 1990, Jerry was promoted to the chief plant operator/assistant superintendent of the water and wastewater department. Jerry has been awarded Colorado Operator of the Year three times during his career and is the only person in Colorado to earn the award more than once.

Other employees celebrating anniversaries include:

#### **5 YEARS**

Tobie Powell, firefighter II

Tyler Thulson, firefighter II/EMT paramedic

John Tucker, firefighter II/engineer

Richard Fout, building official

Jeanette Koenig, GIS administrator

Eric Arnette, IT director

Michaele Siomiak, SWAT superintendent

### **10 YEARS**

Rusty Slater, police officer III

Douglas Gerrald, battalion chief

Travis Rohe, firefighter II/EMT paramedic

### **15 YEARS**

Ann Maria Gonzalez Delinares, building maintenance I

Gregory Bak, fire prevention analyst

Bryan Wootten, firefighter II/engineer

Juan Garcia, maintenance worker II

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