



DATE: June 1, 2018
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Ryan Mahoney, Town Manager
RE: Weekly Update
CC: Department Heads

Another page on the calendar has turned over and things are humming along in town. I was out and about yesterday checking on a few projects that we have underway. These included the tiny library location in Linear Park, new bike rack in front of Bernard's and the site preparation for the new Southside business sign. We got some extra help with the clearing and grubbing from some students at the Basalt Middle School.



I am pleased to report that our streets maintenance projects are going well and so far staying ahead of schedule. The asphalt milling on Two Rivers Road will begin on Monday, June 4th and be completed by the end of the day on June 5th. They will then move over to East Valley Road and mill from the Two Rivers Road roundabout down to the RFTA bus stop near the movie theater. This will take one day to complete. They will then pave the roundabout first thing Thursday morning around 7:30am so the roundabout is complete and they can move out of there ASAP. A lane will be kept open on the roundabout during the process so that traffic can continue to move through the area. Paving is expected to go from Thursday June 7th - 12th on East Valley Road and June 7th - 14th on Two Rivers Road. We will then be striping all roads/parking, crosswalks, stop bars, etc. from June 18th through June 27th. Staff will be doing quite a bit of outreach to businesses and residents to keep them informed on the schedule.

Police

- The Police Department and personnel from the Basalt and Rural Fire Protection District hosted our annual two day bicycle safety rodeo for Basalt Elementary School students. Students learned about bicycle safety and practiced their skills on an obstacle course that was set up in the parking lot of Arbaney Park.

- All 12 Police Officers participated in a four hour driver training that took place at the Aspen Raceway. Officers practice accident avoidance, safe backing and emergency vehicle operations. This annual training is mandated by the Colorado Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Board for Officers to maintain their certifications.

Public Works

- It is a busy time in the community with school ending and Basalt High School graduation. Public Works has been helping to support these activities in small ways by assisting with supplies for traffic control. The Basalt Police and Fire District personnel are spearheading the effort by sponsoring bike rodeos, the Mud Run and graduation safety. Public Works has been working with some of the classroom teachers to coordinate community projects for the students to participate in.
- The Town's representatives had a productive meeting with CDOT this week. Town of Basalt Public Works employees along with Ryan, Town Manager and Chris Lehrman, Town Engineer met with CDOT's Regional Engineer and Maintenance Supervisor to discuss this year's planned improvements as well as future improvements to the Willits roundabout. We also discussed other projects of mutual interest that will be coming in future years.
- Public Works employees participated in a walk-through inspection with the contractor for the Roaring Fork Club this week to check on the progress of the improvements. To this point everything is looking good on the Town's behalf and is on schedule. We will continue to monitor the progress on further expansion of the Town's assets and interest in the project.

Planning

- Basalt River Park Development LLC – Sketch Plan for CDC parcel - As a first step, a site visit is scheduled before the P&Z on June 19th.
- RFP's Related to Basalt River Park – Per the report last week, the Planning Department published notice of two requests for proposals. One for the landscaping design work associated with Basalt River Park and the other requesting a proposal for engineering services associated with Two Rivers Road and associated parking. Next week the Planning Department is holding non-mandatory pre-proposal meetings. The project kicks off with a charrette with Council and POST members.
- Mid-Valley Area Community Plan – The Roaring Fork Regional Planning Commission (RFVRPC) moved the next meeting back one week. They are now scheduled to meet again on Thursday, June 14th and adopt the Plan on Thursday June 21st. We will post the meetings so that members of the Town Council and P&Z may attend. More information is on their webpage at http://www.eaglecounty.us/Planning/Documents/Community_Plans/Mid_Valley_Master_Plan_Draft1_2018/
- TACAW - The Sketch Plan application for "thePermanent" is currently under development review. The application can be downloaded from the Planning Department's page on the Town's website. The P&Z is scheduled to have a site visit on June 5th and hold a public hearing and take action on June 19th. The earliest the Council will see it is on June 26th. At the present time, Staff has not scheduled a site visit for Town Council. Let us know if you would like one.

- Butch's Lobster Shack – The P&Z review and approval is scheduled for the P&Z's next meeting on June 5th. The P&Z's review is final under the Town's C-2 Site Plan requirements unless the Applicant (Butch Darden C/O Star Mesa Properties) appeals the P&Z's decision to the Town Council. Staff is recommending approval with conditions. The Council can review the P&Z packet materials from the Agenda Center on the Town's website.
- RFTA Destination 2040 and other Transit: RFTA Consultants and Staff met with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) which is made up of Roaring Fork Valley Planners and Transportation Administrators on Thursday to review status on the Destination 2040 Plan. The Consultants indicated they would include the Basalt Park area bus station Improvements as part of the SH 82 bus improvements instead of making that a special separate item and we will confirm that with RFTA. In addition, RFTA is requesting time before the Town Council between June 26th and August 9th. Staff also submitted our list of transit priorities to the IMRPC. Per the Council Worksession discussion in early May, Staff added the Basalt River Park Bus Station Improvements and also the Basalt Bus Circulator as a second tier.
- Verizon Tower – the foundation has been constructed. They are now waiting completion and delivery of the pole. The pole is currently receiving treatment for the bark like texture and color. It is set to be delivered next Friday and if all goes well will be erected by the 23rd. Verizon would then come in the following week to do the activation steps. It's a possibility that it would be live by the end of June.
- Special Events – Watkins is processing a number of special event activity permits for a range of activities. Motors on Midland, which was previously approved by the Council, is next Saturday, June 9th from 5-8 pm.