



DATE: September 7, 2018
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Ryan Mahoney, Town Manager
RE: Weekly Update
CC: Department Heads

Good afternoon, I am finishing this week's report toward the end of the day and am headed over to the Police Department to join Chief Knott in handing out commendations for his officers. Each of them helped tremendously with the Lake Christine Fire this summer and he wanted to recognize their efforts.



I attended the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting this morning to speak with them about our Resolution and the rationale for establishing the Town's position on the shooting range. In addition, I asked about the timeline for creating working groups as was described by CPW as a next step, following the two public meetings on the 21st and 27th of August. J.T. Romatzke, Northwest Region Manager, indicated that he would have direction on that by next week.

Planning

- Development Review items –
 - The Mid-Valley Business Center PUD Amendment to allow for a nail salon at 20 Sunset Drive is scheduled for final action at the September 11th Council meeting.
 - The P&Z adopted design guidelines for residential buildings and buildings with residential on the first floor of Blocks 4, 9 and 11.
 - The review of an application for a ground-mounted solar array on a single-family residential lot at 208 Ridge Road is scheduled for review in October.
 - Work continues on building permit and certificate of occupancy items for the Roaring Fork Club, the River Center and Willits Block 3.
- Affordable Housing – James and Sara participated in the Regional Land Use Task Force meeting which is led by Bill Lamont. A presentation was made by the Pitkin County Planning Director and APCHA regarding affordable housing regulations, housing stock, and growth. The consultants hired for the regional housing needs assessment are delayed in presenting their report and are expecting to release results at the end of September to stakeholders. Councilor Riffle is the Town's representative.

- Child Care – Sara and the other members of the financial aid subcommittee met and allocated the final financial dollars to the year's end. In addition, a Staff in-service training and speaker event is being planned to provide group assistance and to show appreciation to providers that participate in the Coalition.
- Green Team - meets on Monday to talk about their 2019 efforts. Planning and coordination for the 2018 leaf drop is underway.

Police

- The Police Department continues to test and evaluate body worn camera systems. They have been soliciting feedback from community members about our Officers wearing them. A post on the Departments Facebook page has been made asking for additional feedback about the cameras.
- Three Officers assisted at the Jazz Aspen Snowmass Music Festival last weekend.
- Officer Jordan Hilkey applied for and received a full scholarship to attend the Colorado Organization for Victims Assistance (COVA) conference in late October.
- The Police Department received an award from Colorado Parks and Wildlife for our Bear Aware program and efforts to reduce bear/human conflicts in Town. A plaque was presented to Chief Greg Knott at the Wildlife Commission meeting in Glenwood Springs. This award recognizes the outstanding multi-year collaborative effort between the Police Department, Town Staff, our Community Members and Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

Public Works

- Public Works, as with all Town departments, has been hard at work putting together numbers for the 2019 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) and the 2019 Budget. Public Works CIP and Budget consist of 10 departments. Streets, Water, Gardens, Parks, Forestry, Municipal Buildings/Facilities, Affordable Housing, Motor pool/Fleet, Cemetery, and Administration. The CIP looks at financial needs 5 years into the future for projects and equipment. We have also been busy putting together a list of needs for the next five years for our Municipal Buildings and Affordable Housing units.
- Regional Public Works Managers and Landfill Managers met in Glenwood Springs this week as part of the Valley Resource Management Team. The Group was formed over twenty years ago to develop methods to take reusable materials out of the waste stream. The latest project is to distribute Sharps Containers to individuals so that needles will be diverted from the land fill and the waste water plants. Needles and other sharp objects are very dangerous for the employees at these facilities. There will be advertising coming out soon about this program.
- The East Valley Road traffic calming project is on schedule and more crosswalks have been installed this week.
- The million-gallon tank reconditioning project is going well. The contractor has been able to stick to the proposed schedule.