



**DATE:** April 19, 2019  
**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** Ryan Mahoney, Town Manager  
**RE:** Weekly Update  
**CC:** Department Heads

It's Friday and time for another action packed recap of our week's activities...

Staff continues to work on the flood mitigation project and has scheduled a meeting this afternoon with all of the property owners in Basalt whose properties have been identified for mitigation. We will discuss the project details and introduce a draft land owner agreement. We hope to begin the design work in the near future but first need to get permission for each landowner prior to beginning that effort.

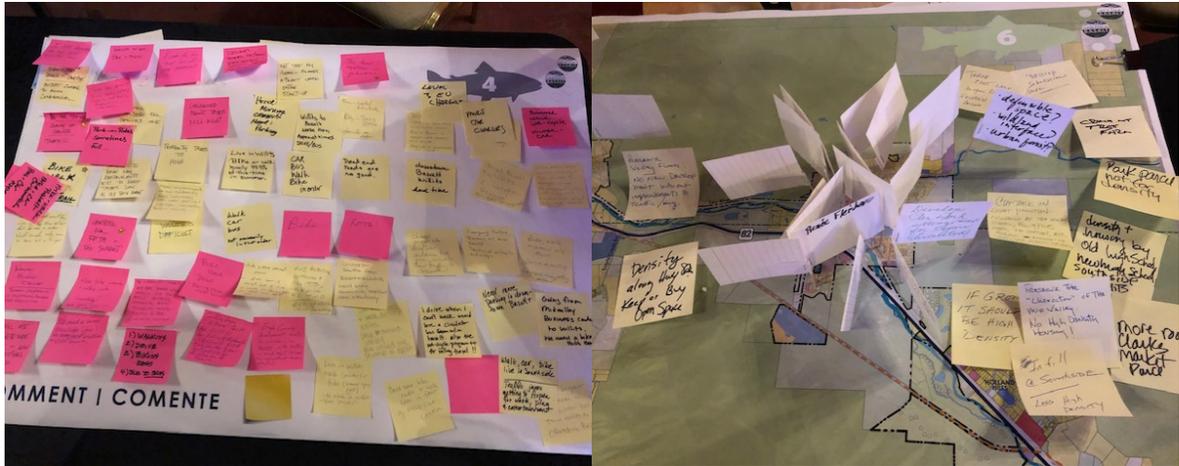
Staff is doing a walk through in Ponderosa Park this morning to determine a scope of work for a trail along the River. This effort will help define the existing trail but also clean up the general area for better visibility and wildfire mitigation.

Staff has continued its search for a Building Official which may be getting closer to its conclusion. We have interviewed three more prospective candidates in the last week. We believe that we may have an agreement within the next week.

The Roaring Fork Conservancy is holding their annual River Clean-up tomorrow, April 27<sup>th</sup>. The event starts here in Lions Park at 8:30 a.m. The Lions Club will be serving a pancake breakfast to fuel the participants.

## **Planning**

Basalt Master Plan – The 1<sup>st</sup> Master Plan Open House is Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Temporary was a success. We received a lot of good comments. There are two Open Houses remaining. If you want to see the meeting schedule of Open Houses and Neighborhood meetings – please check the <https://letstalk.basalt.net/> website.



<p><b>4/25</b> 5:30-7:30PM</p> <p><b>THE TEMPORARY</b></p> <p><b>A</b> Our kick-off meeting will uncover the opportunities of this amazing town.</p>	<p><b>5/9</b> 5:30-7:30PM</p> <p><b>BASALT HIGH SCHOOL</b></p> <p><b>B</b> Help prioritize what we uncovered in the first meeting.</p>	<p><b>5/30</b> 5:30-7:30PM</p> <p><b>ROCKY MTN INSTITUTE</b></p> <p><b>C</b> Provide feedback on initial community direction.</p>
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Regional Affordable Housing Study - There will be three presentations of the Final Regional Housing Study, along with a question and answer session on April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. The times and locations are as follows:

- 8:30 am on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Garfield County Commissioners' Meeting Room in Glenwood Springs
- 2:30 pm on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> in the Eagle County Meeting Room in El Jebel
- 5:00 PM at the Pitkin County Community Room (aka William R. Dunaway Community Meeting Room) at the Pitkin County Library on Tuesday, May 14, 2019.

The Council is welcome to attend any of the presentations and to participate in the question and answer session. Staff will post the meetings. It would be great if Council members could participate in the April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Eagle County Meeting Room.

Willits – The Aspen Skiing Company application is still under review by the P&Z. The Applicant's parking proposal will be discussed at the P&Z's May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. The P&Z is also having a site visit to other Aspen Skiing Company locations next week. We are getting closer to being able to issue building permits on the Block 11 One Willits Place Townhomes.

## **Police Department**

The Police and Public Works Departments provided traffic and intersection control for another great Elementary School Earth Day Parade.

Chief Greg Knott attended a Lake Christine Shooting Range task force meeting. The task force has been working to identify and create short and long term goals for the shooting range.

The Victims Assistance and Law Enforcement Board met to discuss program updates and two funding requests. Minutes of the meeting will be included in the next Town Council packet.

Lieutenant Aaron Munch and Chief Knott participated in an eight hour emergency preparedness, response and recovery tabletop exercise. 106 first responders, emergency managers, state, federal, municipal and county employees along with several private sector representatives participated. The exercise evaluated our ability to respond to and recover from a mass causality event in our area.

Officer Curt Donaldson attended a 32 hour Field Training Officer training. Officer Matt Lilly attended a 40 hour Level 1 Traffic Accident Investigation training.

## **Public Works**

There was a water main break on Saturday in a 4 inch main that is in the Swinging Bridge area. This water main is one of the oldest water mains in the town. The main is constructed of steel and has been in service a long time. Public Works responded and went through the protocol of calling in emergency locates for utilities and securing an excavator for the repair. This particular section of water main has been identified for replacement in our capital improvement plan.

A 2-inch irrigation supply line ruptured Monday of this week. The leak was on Elk Run and Cemetery Lane. It took a while to stop the rupture because at the time of development isolation valves were not required on every service and the curb stop valve for this particular irrigation box was inoperable. The leak was eventually shut off and a new curb stop was installed.

Basalt Elementary, Aspen Tree Service and Basalt Public Works participated in an Arbor Day celebration Thursday of this week. Tim Vogel, the Town's arborist bought four trees, two apple and two plums that the students assisted in planting. Aspen tree service teaches the students about how import trees are and helps with the planting.