



DATE: September 14, 2018
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Ryan Mahoney, Town Manager
RE: Weekly Update
CC: Department Heads

Staff is busy working on budget and capital improvement planning which will be presented to Council in a few weeks. With Christy's help, we are getting a fresh look at our budget presentation and hope to bring forward a few changes. One change is how we present the capital expenditures in the budget. The aim is to keep all capital expenditures that draw from different accounts or funds in one place in each department's budget. This helps ease the oversight and management of projects for department heads so they can have up to date accounting of expenditures while administering a given project.

The shooting range is going to open on Saturday which was reported in the paper this morning. After reviewing the conditions that were discussed in the paper, CPW came a long way to respecting the recommendations of Council's Resolution. While the range is open on both weekend days, the hours are limited to 10 am to 5 pm. During the week it will be open from 10 am to 7 pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Council recommended only five days a week of operation but had asked for it to be closed on Sundays.

The range will be staffed during all operating hours by trained safety officers who will be managed by the Roaring Fork Valley Sportsmen's Association. The Resolution asked for a CPW employee trained in gun and fire safety. While a departure from the recommendation, it does ensure oversight by trained safety officers at all times.

CPW has also been working with Basalt Fire to address fire safety concerns and has committed to regular maintenance that will maintain the integrity of the fire mitigation. The berms surrounding the pistol and rifle range have been raised which were intended to help with fire mitigation

The article also indicated that CPW intends to follow through with the formation of a steering committee to investigate a longer term solution for the relocation and/or improvements to the existing range. I have reached out to CPW to ask that a Town representative be included on the committee. I received favorable response on that request.

We have the numbers in for the July sales tax and we are up from last year's July sales tax collection. July of 2017 collections totaled \$470,541 while collections for July of 2018 were \$488,475. Retail food sales accounted for the majority of that difference.

Planning

- Development Review items
 - Work continues on building permit and certificate of occupancy items for the Roaring Fork Club Affordable Housing, the River Center and Willits Block 3.
 - The Willits Developer, Planning Staff and Attorney have been working hard on the required development agreement outlining how to complete the Developer's obligations.

- The Planning Staff and Attorney have also been working with Basalt Vista on their platting.
- Green Team – had their monthly meeting on the 10th. Ryan spoke to the Committee about the Council’s direction on improving coordination between the Green Team and the Council. Holy Cross and CORE provided the Committee information regarding current energy usage and discussed methods for tracking and reporting the changes since energy efficiency measures (including sealing work and changes to LED bulbs) have been implemented. The Committee also talked about their 2019 efforts and have scheduled follow-up meeting to talk about projects and budget for September 17th.
- BPAC – BPAC also had their monthly meeting and Ryan joined the group to talk about getting the group in front of the Council on a regular basis to check in on projects. BPAC is studying additional projects for 2019 including putting the Motio pieces together in the River Park as the Motio was originally installed in Denver, a piece remembering the Lake Christine Fire (which could be a performance or video), an art granting program, and looking at public art in the bulb-outs in front of Tempranillo and those being constructed along East Valley Road.
- Basalt Avenue Entrance Sign – Myers & Co is fabricating the entrance sign that will be placed at the southwest corner of the Basalt Avenue-Highway 82 intersection. Myers is behind schedule on the fabrication, but Staff visited the factory floor to check progress and the sign is nearing completion. A foundation has been poured.

Police

- The Police Department was invited to the annual first responder recognition dinner in Vail. While there, they and other Eagle County emergency service agencies received the the "Call of the Year" recognition award from the Vail Valley Rotary Clubs.
<https://www.vaildaily.com/news/vail-valley-community-says-thanks-with-first-responder-recognition-dinner/>
- We conducted an emergency evacuation drill at the Middle School. These drills allow us opportunity to implement and evaluate our Emergency Operations Plan at each school.