



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

Public Works completed the clean-up of the fire mitigation efforts on the hillside above Town Hall. I think that once the hillside starts to green-up, we'll really be able to see the benefits of this effort. We may try to add some temporary signage out there to continue the education process for the public with regard to proper mitigation techniques.

Another mitigation effort took place yesterday morning with the re-seeding of a large portion of the State Wildlife land above town. A plane flew overhead and made several passes, dropping seed on the burn scar.

The Town, Eagle County and the state have been investigating the possibility of adding weather stations on Basalt Mountain as an advance warning system for law enforcement and first responders in case of a debris flow. The weather stations would be able to detect, more accurately, the amount of rainfall in a given location and could help predict the possibility of a debris flow allowing more time to alert the public.

The Roaring Fork Conservancy is taking the lead on setting up a meeting on May 6th at the Basalt High School to discuss progress made and future efforts regarding debris flow preparedness and mitigation. The meeting will start at 6 p.m.

Next Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the 3rd Street Center in Carbondale, the Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) will host a meeting for elected officials to discuss the preliminary recommendations of the citizen advisory group regarding the gun range. There will be a subsequent meeting in May in Basalt to discuss those findings with the public. I had asked to move the meeting time so that it did not conflict with our Council meeting but CPW could not accommodate the request because of scheduling issues for their staff coming in from out of the area.

Staff interviewed four applicants who responded to the request for proposals regarding the sale of the Shining Mountain Way property in Old Snowmass. We have added our recommended agents to the Consent agenda for approval this Tuesday. Staff is recommending Ted Borchelt and Jana Dillard (a sales team with Sotheby's) to assist the Town with that sale.

Planning

Basalt Master Plan – The 1st Master Plan Open House is Thursday, April 25th at the Temporary starting at 5:30 pm. Please come and bring your friends. Staff has been working hard with the Consultant Team in preparing for the meetings.

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MASTER PLAN

VISIONING

HELP SHAPE BASALT'S FUTURE!

4/25	5/9	5/30
THE TEMPORARY	BASALT HIGH SCHOOL	ROCKY MTN INSTITUTE
5:30-7:30PM	5:30-7:30PM	5:30-7:30PM

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DO NOT MISS THIS!

The 2019 Master Plan will establish our vision, goals, and objectives for a vibrant, healthy community for years to come. Show up and share your thoughts! Please attend all three events!

Kids activities and food provided!

LET'S TALK BASALT 2019

Regional Affordable Housing Study - There will be three presentations of the Final Regional Housing Study, along with a question and answer session on April 29th and 30th. The times and locations are as follows:

- 5:00 pm on Monday, April 29th at a location in Aspen to be determined (tentative – could change)
- 8:30 am on Tuesday, April 30th at the Garfield County Commissioners' Meeting Room in Glenwood Springs
- 2:30 pm on Tuesday, April 30th in the Eagle County Meeting Room in El Jebel

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 30th at the Eagle County Meeting Room.

Willits – As reported in the Aspen Times the April 16th P&Z meeting concentrated on the Aspen Skiing Company application. The Applicant's parking proposal will be discussed at the P&Z's May 7th meeting. Work continues on the Block 7 building permit items.

Intermountain Planning Meeting (IMPTR) – James attended the IMPTR Meeting on April 19th in Eagle. Representatives from CDOT were in attendance to present the new process for obtaining state funding for transportation related improvements.

Basalt Early Child Coalition – Sara attended the Coalition meeting on Thursday at Aspen Community Foundation. The majority of time was spent discussing Eagle County's Road Map and recent presentation made to the Early Childhood Advisory Group. The Advisory Group has formed four working groups – Learning and Development, Family Supports, Health and Well-being, and Systems Building -

that are supported by Eagle County's Early Childhood Systems Coordinator. Leigh Hernandez encouraged members of the Coalition to become part of one of the working groups in order to provide representation from Western Eagle County, and to better coordinate efforts and messaging around early childhood education and related issues.

Basalt Public Arts Commission (BPAC) – The Commission is attending the Council meeting on Tuesday to discuss their 2019 work plan and budget and seek approval of their granting program.

Police Department

Several area, State of Colorado and federal emergency response agencies attended a mud, flood and debris flow meeting. We have activated an incident management team to address and respond to events. Chief Greg Knott and Lieutenant Aaron Munch are serving on this team. Our incident action and response plan is an evolving document that is being updated as we identify potential risks and recovery needs.

Chief Knott attended a quarterly housing stability meeting. This group is examining homelessness in the Roaring Fork Valley and identifying ways to help bring housing stability to individuals and families facing homelessness.

An applicant, who was in the process of having his background investigation completed, withdrew himself from our hiring process. He accepted a position with another police department. We have begun advertising again to find new applicants.

The police department hosted a traffic safety day at Basalt High School. The Roaring Fork Club donated two golf carts that we used to teach every high school student about the dangers of impaired and distracted driving.

Pitkin County Emergency Management, Roaring Fork Fire Rescue, Pitkin County Health and Human Services and our police department hosted an emergency preparedness training for individuals with Access and Functional Needs. Twenty two area residents attended this outstanding training.

The police department increased their presence at all three public schools this week due to the threat against Denver area schools. Our schools were not placed in lock-out or lock-down status. We worked directly with school administrators and school district personnel to make unified decisions and provide information to students and parents.