



**DATE:** February 17, 2023  
**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** Ryan Mahoney, Town Manager  
**RE:** Weekly Update  
**CC:** Department Heads

Stutsman Gerbaz was hired by the Basalt Sanitation District to complete a sewer line improvement project. The initial mobilization of equipment to the site has begun which can be seen at Two Rivers Road and Midland Avenue. Project information can be found on the Sanitation District's website at the following address:

[https://www.basaltsanitation.org/midland\\_avenue\\_two\\_rivers\\_sewer\\_project/index.php](https://www.basaltsanitation.org/midland_avenue_two_rivers_sewer_project/index.php). Several notifications have been sent out, including from the school district, Town of Basalt and RFTA. The project duration is expected to go from February 20<sup>th</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Alternative Route**  
Please access the Town of Basalt via Two Rivers Road at the upvalley or downvalley traffic lights on Highway 82

**Basalt Sanitation District  
New Sewer Line Project**  
February 20-April 5

Midland Avenue will be closed to traffic during the day from 7am - 5pm Monday through Friday between Two Rivers Road and the Basalt Regional Library.

From 5pm - 7am and on weekends there will be one lane of traffic controlled by traffic lights.

*Flagger will be present for traffic control and to allow access to Gold Rivers Court for businesses and residents during the day*



**Police**

Chief Greg Knott and Officer Matt Lilly had the honor of judging designs at the Cub Scouts Cubanapolis cardboard vehicle races. Excellent job to all Cub Scouts in Pack 242!



Staff from the Police, Planning and Public Works Departments along with Roaring Fork Fire Rescue met with event organizers for the Motors on Market event. Due to the upcoming Midland Avenue Streetscape project, Motors on Midland needs to be temporarily relocated. Motors on Market is tentatively scheduled to take place on May 20<sup>th</sup>. We are working with event organizers to identify the best suitable Willits location for the event.

Police Chiefs and Sheriffs in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District met to discuss current law enforcement trends, upcoming legislation, issues in our respective jurisdictions and how we can continue to assist each other in the future.

Chief Knott met with staff from Roaring Fork Conservancy to continue our discussions to install a stream gauge on the Fryingpan River. This gauge would provide real time cubic feet per second data to assist with emergency evacuation planning in the event of increased flows on the Fryingpan River.

Public Works Director Boyd Bierbaum and Chief Knott met with our Town Manager and Engineer to discuss site planning proposals for the future police department and public works complex. We are determining next steps in developing a site plan that best serves our community and departments.

## **Public Works**

Public Works was in early on Wednesday, February 15, to plow and sand. The Town received approximately 3 inches of snow. Public Works constantly works on repairing and replacing the worn parts on the plow equipment. A chain that drives the sand spreader and several cutting edges on the plow blades were replaced this week.

Public Works Forestry Department is still doing hazardous tree pruning around Town. One of the areas just completed was on Willits Lane. Cottonwoods that were leaning toward the road were trimmed by a contractor and underbrush was removed from roadside. The Willits Lake walking trail had pruning done too. Parks and Gardens Department met with our mowing and gardening contractor to discuss the details of the up-and-coming season for maintenance.

Public Works is working with the original Hydro Plant engineer and Canyon Hydro to trouble shoot the hydraulic pump and pressure gauge on the plant.

Lucksinger Springs will be inspected this week to make sure it is ready to be put into service.

## **Planning**

**Basalt River Park Improvements** – Work on Phase II of the Basalt River Park by RMCL has reached completion for the winter. RMCL has installed the irrigation, planted all the trees and perennials, installed sod, the shade sail posts have been installed, and some final work will occur in the spring.

Staff is working with the architects, structural engineer, and FCI on the shelter/restroom facility project to meet the Town's budgetary requirements. Staff has been meeting with the restroom/bus shelter team to review the revision process and has engaged an MEP engineer to finalize the design for pricing. Staff is awaiting final pricing.

Staff has also been working with the bandshell design team to create a design within budget. The goal is to create a space that can host events, as well as provide an integrated climbing structure. Staff is awaiting final pricing.

Staff presented the POST Committee with an update on the restroom, bus stop, and bandshell progress this week. Updates to Council are anticipated at the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Green Team** – The Green Team participated in an introductory conversation regarding the Willits Lane corridor study, discussed initiatives of the High School’s Environmental Club and brainstormed solutions for keeping their compost from being contaminated, and heard an update on the public education RFP plan.

**Stott’s Mill Daycare Space** – Staff is drafting a Request for Proposals for interested daycare providers and for interested youth service providers to rent the space. The Request for Proposals (RFP) will be advertised for two weeks with a four-week deadline for submissions. A selection committee will be formed to review the submissions and recommend a selection to Town Council.