



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager
Date: August 10, 2018
Re: Info Update

DEMOCRACY ROCKS!

Having just returned from 6 days in Washington D.C., my appreciation for the “Great American Experiment” and the essential principles of our form of government grew even stronger. Our Founding Fathers pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to create this great nation of ours. That makes garnering 10 valid signatures of support on a nomination petition for Town Council seem pretty reasonable. It is that time of year when the leaders of our community get to Rise Up (yes, that was my Hamilton reference) and offer to give back to the community through elected public service. As always, the Mayor’s seat and two council seats are up for grabs. Petitions have been available to be picked since August 7 and are due back on the August 27. So far, we have had one petition picked up and none returned. On August 27, I am planning to host an informal candidate orientation at 6:00. This will be a chance for candidates to ask questions and to make sure they are well informed while they are on the campaign trail. It would be great if any sitting Town Council member could be there to help guide the conversation and answer questions.

A LITTLE BIT OF PRAISE

The Finance Advisory Board met this week with our auditors to review our financial statements and independent auditors report. It was a party! We will get the formal resolution to the Council that the FAB adopted, but suffice it say that they were very satisfied with the report and were very appreciative of all the effort the Finance Department puts forward to make our audit so very squeaky clean. It seems a shame that the highest praise an auditor can give is that the financial statements are “presented fairly in all material respects”. One FAB member said it in a much more clear way when he stated “this is really *#&^ impressive”. We will be delivering a full copy of the Auditor’s Report, Financial Statements and the FAB Resolution to the Council shortly.

SPEAKING OF MONEY

It’s the most wonderful time of the year; budget time! Departments are planning and projecting and exploring new ideas. Revenues are being estimated and opportunities for efficiencies considered. At this point, we are planning to introduce the proposed 2019 budget to the Council at the October 1 regular Council meeting. We then have a Work Session on October 8 to review the budget and another regular meeting on October 15. Our tentative plan is to adopt the budget on Monday November 5. In years past, the Council as set aside a single 4 hour meeting to review the budget. We can do that instead of spreading the review out if

that works better for the Council. We have a bit of time, but please let me know how you would like to proceed with the review of the 2019 budget.

TID BITS:

- Don't forget, the Town Council meeting on the 20th will start at 3:00 with a site tour of the Pope property.
- August 16th is the last Thursday night concert of the season. The Town Council will be hosting the ice cream social; "Get the Scoop" portion of the event. Please let us know if you are able to attend. We are also having a community photo taken that night during the concert.
- We are continuing to evaluate how best to undertake the gym floor replacement project. Moisture tests are underway and we are assessing whether to replace the whole thing, replace half, sand it, etc. We don't want to undertake the floor repair until we address the significant (and necessary) heating and cooling design. If we don't want this water leak issue to happen again, we need to redesign how we heat and cool this part of the building. Stand by.
- The Town Park Station pedestrian improvement project is underway. Asphalt and concrete should be done by the end of August. The new lighting system will go up after Labor Day.
- The Wood Road project is proceeding. Curb, gutter and paving are wrapping up and paving should be complete by early September.
- The long awaited Meadow Ranch bus stop project is out to bid. Assuming the numbers come in within budget, construction will be this Fall.
- Asphalt "patch work" will begin next week. One of the more notable patches will be in the Highline Brush Creek Roundabout. This work should only impact traffic for about 1 day. More smaller projects will be in other parts of town.
- We are replacing the roofs on our Mountain View units. This is expected to take up to 6 weeks to complete and be a pain in most everyone's kiester that lives there. But the work does need to be done and the project is going well.
- Speaking of homes, our architects, civil engineers and geotech folks for Coffey Place are continuing their work. If everything comes together, we are hoping to break ground on the project next year. Cross your fingers and knock on wood.
- Our next Tourism Talk is on August 23
- JAS is sold out Saturday and Sunday. Friday night is expected to sell out soon (if it already hasn't). We do have a wait list going for all of our available tickets.
- Speaking of JAS- this year they chose to use school buses to augment our transit services rather than use Town equipment. With their change to a single entrance on the east side and the associated additional travel time for the buses on Owl Creek Road to get to the east entrance they believe the additional capacity provided by school buses better meets their needs. Our shuttle will still be running, but the bulk of concert goers will be using school buses.
- The engineers have completed their analysis of the Wood Bridge settling issue. Nothing dangerous is eminent, but we will be working to fix this structural issues ASAP. There are only a limited number of bridge contractors and engineers, so this is taking a bit of time to get underway.

- We are continuing to work on a solution for the Daly Townhomes retaining wall. We have undertaken a significant amount of engineering analysis are working with a contractor to get a solid price estimate so that we can work out cost share proposals with residents. Again, there is no eminent danger with this wall, but we want to get a solution developed and agreed upon as soon as possible.
- We are beginning to look at dates for the Town Council's annual Board and Commission appreciation dinner. Three tentative dates are being considered;
Thursday, September 20th
Thursday, September 27th
Thursday, October 4th
Please let us know which date(s) work best for you.
- Vacation was a blast. It was only 115 degrees when I saw my Mom in Nevada, Washington D.C. was super awesome, fun and impressive and then we finished up by seeing my Dad in Montana for a few days. Lots of travel, lots of fun.

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