



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager
Date: March 19, 2021
Re: Info Update

SWAM FAST

Congrats to the Aspen High School Women's Swim Team! The team won 2nd place in the State Championship. Now we are on to lacrosse season. Go Skiers!

GOOD FOR THE EARTH, TOUGH ON THE WALLET

In accordance with the IGA dated October 2016, for a Recycling Cost Sharing Program between the Town of Snowmass and Pitkin County, the County Solid Waste Center (SWC) has provided the Town a subsidy to support our recycling program. The subsidy was calculated by taking TOSV's cost to operate the recycling program, recycling collection revenue, and net operating expense. The subsidy is calculated by taking 50% of TOSV's recycling operations cost and deducting the cost for the SWC to haul recyclable materials for processing in Denver. In 2019 the cost to haul recyclables to Denver was \$73/ton. SWC's contracted pricing with Waste Management significantly changed in 2020 with a contract renegotiation; due to the increase in processing costs and lack of China markets to sell recyclable commodity materials, in 2020 the costs to process materials increased to \$188/ton. Unfortunately, this increase in SWC's costs negates any subsidy we were receiving for recycling. This equates to about a \$20,000 hit to the budget. Once the cost-sharing IGA sunsets this year, the SWC will continue to take TOSV's recycling with no limits at the rate of \$35.50/ton.

TID BITS

- The Rodeo let us know that they are planning hold their weekly events starting Wednesday June 23,2021 and finishing August 18,2021.
- In January, the County sales tax revenue was down 29% or about \$201K.
- Speaking of money, our annual Audit is ongoing; we expect to have a draft report soon.
- Coffey Place homes expect to start closing next month.
- Housing is still working through the issues to determine what caused the electrical failure at 1100 Creekside last week.
- Another Daly Townhome has been listed.
- Community Development continues to work through the details necessary to approve permits for Bldg 11, Fanny Hill Cabins, the Westin, and the Snowmass Center
- The Recreation Center is considering changing the reservation system in time for the summer season, hopefully making it easier for customers to get their desired times.

- The skiing is good, but our marketing campaign is already ramping up for summer.
- Group sales is seeing a lot of interest for summer activity. We are targeting Denver area business owners and CEO and wedding planners to help with group business.
- Top of the Village boiler project is out to bid.
- Critical information..... Town Ski Day is April 2nd. All the cool kids will be there. Please let me know if you want to join us for lunch.
- Did I mention the Swim team did really well at the State Championship?

CC: Department Heads