

TO: Mayor Rogin and Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Victoria Simonsen, Town Administrator

DATE: June 13, 2024

ITEM: Administrator's Report

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IGA Task Force: The IGA task force has met twice to date. They selected Doug Matthews as Chair, Martin Soosloff as Vice Chair and Julie Jacobs as recorder. They are planning a tour of the properties being discussed in the IGA next week.

QPR Training: LEAF recently hosted two suicide prevention training sessions called Question. Persuade. Refer. (QPR). Nearly 50 local residents, including four town staff, attended the training.

Opioid Settlement Notice: A new national opioid settlement has been reached with Kroger Co. If the town wants to participate in this settlement, we will need to 'opt in' to participate as we did in earlier settlements. Staff will prepare a resolution to present to the Board at their July meeting.

Tubing Ban on the North St. Vrain Creek and St. Vrain River: On June 7, a tubing ban for single chamber flotation devices was instituted by the Boulder County Sheriff and Lyons Fire Chief. The closure will remain in effect until water levels recede to less than 700 cfs.

Parks Updates:

- The Second Avenue Trailhead Dry Camping has been completed and is available for reservation.
- Goat Mowers began grazing efforts to assist in fuel reduction and fire mitigation efforts. They are grazing in Lyons Valley Park between homes on McConnell Drive and the South Ledge Ditch and will be moving to Stone Canyon Out lots when finished.
- Staff has received a proposal from Health Forest Mitigation Services to complete fire mitigation efforts and further reduce fuel loading and ladders fuels in the LVP parcel where the goats are currently grazing. The contractor would remove all dead standing trees and all dead and downed wood in the same area at a cost of \$12,000. It could be completed prior to the July 4th holiday.
- The pre-construction meeting for the Depot Landscaping Project was held. Powell Restoration, the general contractor for the project, is set to begin the week of June 17 and plans to complete it by the second week of July. PPW staff is working in conjunction with the LAHC and Blue Mountain Stone on the installation of the LaVern Johnson sculpture.

- The Bohn Park Sport Court Resurfacing Project is tentatively scheduled for the week of June 24. PPW staff has consulted with the PRC and pickleball group on layout and colors.
- Staff are working with EcoResource Solutions (the contractor who does water quality monitoring and services the ponds) and Moleaer (manufacturer of the nanobubble / aeration systems) to troubleshoot the unit on the lower/eastern LVRP pond. The unit has been working intermittently since its start in April. Recently, the compressor was replaced, but we are still having issues with air pressure. Next week reps plan to flush the unit and check all PVC and fittings.

Public Works Updates:

- Street sweeping for the Town was completed the week of June 10th.
- PPW staff has ordered a new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) sign to replace the one that was run over during a recent car accident near the corner of 2nd Ave and HWY 36/66. It will take several weeks to be delivered and installed.
- PPW staff is working to get final quotes for utility golf carts and the replacement of the new PPW truck.
- The new PPW John Deere Backhoe is set to be delivered in July.

Curbside limb pick-up is scheduled for the week of July 15th. It will include residential properties within the town limits that are less than one acre in size. The town and vendor (Baer Forestry) will not pick up piles that do not follow the following guidelines. Baer does not clean the immediate area after the chipping is complete. Property owners are responsible for cleaning the area.

Acceptable Materials Include:

- Branches and Limbs Only. No Grass, weeds, loose yard waste, or compost.
- Only piles of wood limbs and branches up to 6" in diameter are accepted.
- No construction debris or treated lumber. No nails or wires in limbs or branches.
- No construction or building materials
- No trash, weeds, etc.
- No root wads, dirt, or rocks
- No grass clippings
- No bags of leaves or pine needles
- No nails and wire
- No thorny materials (rose bushes, etc.)
- Do NOT tie or band piles

Pile Guidelines:

- Piles must be stacked curbside by **7 am** on the START DATE OF THE EVENT
- Any branch piles put out after the collection day will not be collected by the Town/vendor and will be the responsibility of the homeowner.
- Piles should not be made far in advance of the scheduled start date

- Piles must be neatly stacked with cut ends facing the road. Please ensure limbs are cut as straight as possible.
- Max pile size is 5x5x5 and are limited to **one per household**. PILES THAT ARE LARGER WILL BE SKIPPED!
- Please work to ensure that no obstacles interfere with the pickup of the limb pile by the loader and chipper.
- Do not park in front of your limb pile.
- Piles must be within 5' of the roadway (do not place on the sidewalk!)
- Municipal code prohibits placing items in the street.
- Limbs will not be collected in alleys. Even if your trash/recycling collection occurs in an alley, you must place limbs curbside in front of your property for pick-up.
- Residential properties only that are less than one acre. NO Commercial Piles.
- Do not combine piles with neighbors or haul material in from other neighborhoods
- Do NOT tie or band piles



GOAT GRAZING PHOTOS-LVP



Notice the line from the tall grass to the shorter grass from the area to which the goats have just moved, and goats eating shrubs and other woody material.