

Town Manager Report 8/5/26

ADU Grant Program Update

I submitted the ADU Supportive Jurisdiction application for the Town. I hope that we may be pre-certified, but I have not received a pre-certification or certification official notice yet.

The grant cycle has been pushed back from August to September

The grant will fund technical assistance coupled with a fee waiver program, pre-approved designs supported by an outreach and education strategy. I recommend that we apply for a grant for 4 pre-approved ADU designs, technical assistance to have a handy easy to read and understand brochure that describes the rules and process for building ADU's in Lake city, and a fee waiver program.

Based on the conversations I have had the designs will cost somewhere between \$15,000 and \$20,000 per design. A professionally produced brochure will be about \$5,000 (this is a guess maybe less), and I think about \$30,000 for a fee waiver program. A total project budget will be about \$115,000.

The match is 25%, which would be about \$28,750, and we would ask for \$86,250. I think it would be worth asking for a reduced match of 13% which would be \$14,950 like Silverton did. If the match reduction is approved, the additional grant funding will support a fee waiver program.

Flash Flood Recovery Efforts

We have made a list of all the private property owners that the old interceptor ditch on T-Mountain runs through. I will be arranging meetings with them and Tri-State and the BLM to hopefully negotiate some kind of maintenance/easement agreement for that ditch and on possibly build some kind of engineered debris fencing/mitigation for the future. Once public works is done assessing and clearing the ditches, culverts, and streets, which may take the rest of the month, we will be coming to the trustees to share finds and with proposed minor changes that are practical and may help which we can also seek engineer approval on. I did speak with the state about the wwtp mudslide and I am working on getting a proposal from Ridgway Valley to get a fixed contract price on them removing the mud from the lagoon that was hit so that we can ask for a supplemental grant under our current EIAF WWTP construction grant to pay for it.

Piles of dirt are appearing in the right of way in the ball flats. One is actually in the street since most people don't realize that several feet of what they consider their front yard is actually the street right of way. We are going to message that people should continue to pile the dirt in the right of way that they are removing from their properties and that we will

be working towards removing it by the end of the month after we finish repairing and clearing the ditches and culverts.

Dark Sky Initiative

I have not had time to research this thoroughly due to the recent wildfire and flash floods but hope to have the opportunity by the end of the month.

Memorial Park Pickleball courts

I did receive some cost estimates a few weeks ago but have not had a chance to look at them closely. I don't even think I have opened the second quote that was sent to me. I will be reviewing these soon and will have a discussion on a future BOT agenda.

WPCRF WWTP Loan Reimbursement

After we approved the bills at the last meeting Joanne and I submitted reimbursements from our loan and our EIAF grant on July 17th. Mid last week we received the loan reimbursement in the amount of \$565,518.01. Our EIAF grant reimbursement got kicked back due to one of the invoices being in the new fiscal year for the state. I just resubmitted the EIAF grant for the grant portion for the last Ridgway bill Monday when I found time to do it.

LPC-IN-922 Inventive Funding Grant \$100,000 for housing consultant

We received the draft contract late last week. Today Sandy and I reviewed it and sent it back with our edits. We should have the final grant contract ready for trustee review and approval at the August 19th meeting.

Community Metal Junk Cleanup August 29th/30th

For the upcoming Metal Junk cleanup I would like to request that the Town invites all county and town residents to participate. The county would be delighted to let their property owners to participate. Also I will be inviting commercial businesses as well so we can just get the town and county cleaned up from at least the metal junk.

Newsletter Update

I have not been able to draft or publish a newsletter since April. But hope to get one out in the next couple of weeks. I have not chosen a subject yet but it may cover a few things.