crew was hired, the pastures were assessed and the weeds



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were mowed. A sprinkler system was also designed and built, Flak said.

Flak said 175 acres have been seeded, 1,000 acres have gone through weed abatement, and 275 acres have been irrigated with the mobile sprinkler system that is easy to move to new locations as needed.

Use of sod in Village Center Metro District defended

Forrest Hindley, a member of the Village Center Metro District board, responded to comments made by resident Darryl Beckmann at the October meeting, when Beckmann questioned the use of irrigated sod in the Village Center landscaping. Hindley said that water conservation was considered by the developer, who chose to use a grass developed in Texas, called survivalist hybrid tall fescue, which requires only half the water used to grow other varieties of grass because of its deep roots. Hindley also pointed out that Landhuis Development also upgraded its water lines to allow the use of non-potable water to irrigate common spaces.

pressure plagues customers Dr. Tom Davis asked the board to help him resolve an issue of low water pressure at his house, which is at a higher elevation than most of the houses in the district. Davis said the water pressure at this house has decreased over the years, despite the installation of low-flow toilets and showerheads and water-efficient appliances. Pressure at his residence averages 40 PSI, Davis said.

Shaffer said the altitude of their home contributed to the low pressure, but the failure of a filtering station that required the district to transfer water between service zones also contributed to a period of very low pressure at the Davis residence. Shaffer said there were long-term plans to improve the pressure in the Davis's neighborhood, but in the short term he would recommend an inline booster.

The board voted to allocate funds to equip all the residences in the Davis's neighborhood that shared the low-pressure problem with in-line boosters.

The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 8 at 1 p.m. Meetings are usually held at the district office at 1845 Woodmoor Drive on the second Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. See www.woodmoorwater.com or call 488-2525 to

> James Howald can be reached at jameshowald@ocn.me.

Donald Wescott Fire Protection District, Nov. 15

verify meeting times.

Downsizing, budget cuts loom

By Lisa Hatfield

Ten members of the public attended the Nov. 15 Donald Wescott Fire Protection District (DWFPD) Board of Directors meeting, where the main topic of discussion was the imminent downsizing of the district and the precipitous drop in property tax revenue coming in the next two years. See www.ocn.me/v3n9.htm#fhr, www.

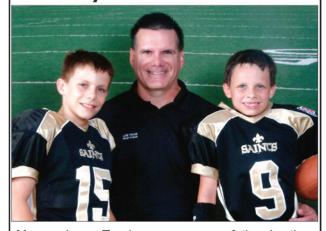
ocn.me/v3n11.htm#dwfpd, and www.ocn.me/v16n11. htm#dwfpd for background on the situation.

Director Harland Baker was excused. Assistant Chief Scott Ridings was dispatched to a structure fire.

Big changes coming for Wescott

Gleneagle North Homeowner's Association Treasurer Gary Rusnak asked the board about what Wescott agreed

New owner unveils improvements at **Anytime Fitness**



Above: Lane Travis, new owner of the Anytime Fitness facility in Monument, with sons Logan, age 12, and Zach, age 10. Travis coaches football, baseball, and track. Photo courtesy Lane Travis.

MONUMENT, CO-Lane Travis, the new owner of the Anytime Fitness in Monument has announced installation of new exercise equipment, addition of group training classes, and near-term plans to completely upgrade the facility with new carpet, color schemes, lighting, and more.

Travis, who has an MBA and CPA and 22 of experience as an Air Force Audit Agency Team Chief, Audit Manager, and Staff Auditor, has traveled all over the U.S. and Europe and chose to retire to Monument because he loves the area. He added, "I have had many positive experiences during my Air Force Civil Service career and am very focused on meeting the unique needs of our active-duty and retired military personnel."

Travis, who is also a high school accounting and business teacher, actively supports fitness programs in the workplace, and youth and high school sports pro-

Committed to the fitness industry and the Anytime Fitness brand, Travis said, "I have been a member of Anytime Fitness for many years and have visited locations all over the U.S."

"Meet the Owner" and "Grand Reopening" events with special promotions and free merchandise are planned within the next few months.

Anytime Fitness is located at 1737 Lake Woodmoor Drive, Monument 80132. For a limited time, the facility is offering a 7-day free trial and free tanning with membership. For more information, go to www. anytimefitness.com/gyms/721 or call (719) 487-1979.



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