

trict has planned for, Shaffer said, because other developments are projected to use less water than anticipated. The district has the necessary water treatment capacity, Shaffer added. In response to a question from board President Brian Bush, Shaffer said the district should plan to drill a new well into the Denver Basin aquifer in 2022.

Bush pointed out an acre-foot of supplemental water costs \$29,000. Tap fees for the project would be additional revenue, he said.

The board voted unanimously to direct district staff to draft an agreement with Classic Homes that will come back to Bush for approval.

MVEA granted easement for lake pump station
The board voted to grant MVEA an

easement needed for electric service to the new Lake Pump Station that WWSD is constructing on the west side of Lake Woodmoor, close to The Barn Community Center. Lake Woodmoor has been drained so that the Lake Pump Station can be built.

Highlights of operational reports

- The Greenland Preserve Lift Station was hit by lightning and was offline for repair to its surge suppressor.
- The Woodmoor Ranch revegetation project is about 43% complete.
- The Central Water Treatment Plant (CWTP) upgrade is progressing, with two of the three filters rebuilt. The CWTP will be shut down for six weeks so that new Program Logic Con-

- trol circuitry can be installed.
- Construction of the Safe Routes to School Trail is expected to begin next spring.
 - In his Woodmoor Improvement Association report, Bush mentioned an agreement had been reached with WOSC LLC, formerly known as the Woodmoor Open Space Committee, to allow homeowners with utility easements on their property to add gates, providing the gates

are not affixed over the easements and remain unlocked.

The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. Meetings are usually held on the second Monday of each month at 1 p.m. at the district office at 1845 Woodmoor Drive. Please see www.woodmoorwater.com or call 488-2525 to verify meeting times and locations.

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Monument Sanitation District, Sept. 15

Board sets public meetings on 2022 rates and budget

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At the Monument Sanitation Department (MSD) Sept. 15 meeting, the board met to set dates for public hearings on 2022 rates and fees as well as a workshop and public hearing on the 2022 budget. The board also talked about moving forward on the request for proposal (RFP) for legal services.

Public hearings on rates and budget

The board discussed the public meetings for both 2022 rates and fees as well as the public budget hearing. The 2022 Rates and Fees public meeting will be part of the November meeting.

District Manager Mark Parker said a preliminary 2022 budget would be available for the October meeting after a special Budget Workshop meeting on Thursday, Oct. 7 at 5:15 p.m. in the district offices. The public hearing will be in November, and the board will be asked to vote to approve the budget at the December meeting. Notices are going out to customers, and legal notices are published in The Gazette.

RFP for legal services

Parker provided the board a draft of the RFP for legal services. The board agreed to review the draft by Sept. 17 and add a list of required services. Then the RFP will be updated and sent out to legal firms on the Special District Association of Colorado website (www.sdaco.org).

Meeting highlights

- Parker reported that Lift Station 1, Pump 2 was plugged by a so-called flushable wipe. The board discussed sending warnings out in the bill or via direct mail using postcards.
- Parker confirmed the new IT vendor has started and was able to access the server and evaluate the status of equipment. The district will be upgrading its storage capacity for backups.
- The board agreed to contact a

local vendor to discuss updating the district website.

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