

Monument Board of Trustees, May 21

Two Monument Police Department awards presented

By Jim Kendrick

Monument Police Department Chief Jacob Shirk presented two awards to members of his department during the May 21 Monument Board of Trustees meeting. The board elected Trustee Jeff Kaiser as mayor pro tem, unanimously approved a three-year extension of the previously approved Village at Monument replat and planned development (PD) site plan for the southernmost filing in

the Old Denver Highway development, and approved the Fourth of July downtown street fair permit.

Presentation of Police Department awards

Before making the presentations, Chief Shirk stated that he wanted "this board and the citizens to know that you have some outstanding officers that put a lot of time and effort into their jobs and really show a lot of professionalism."

Chief Shirk presented Detective Steve Lontz with a commendation plaque for his exceptional work in devising and managing the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program, which has decreased the number of traffic accidents by 20 percent in high risk areas of Monument over the past four years. Lontz made a thorough study and analysis of accident reports, planning, and updates, Shirk said.

Chief Shirk presented Mary Ellen Burk with a commendation plaque for her dedication in "being a driving force with enthusiasm" while managing the office as office administrator where she:

- Developed computer programs to better track Police Department and municipal court records with electronic forms in a paperless system.
- Designed and implemented an electronic timecard system that is now used by the entire town.
- Implemented a transmittal system for tracking police and court deposits and invoices.
- Developed an electronic daily field activity reporting system for officers.
- Wrote training manuals, standard operating procedures, and computer checklists for the staff.

Extension for MasterBilt Homes approved

Tom Kassawara, director of Development Services, and Jack Wiepking provided a history of the town's approvals for all three phases of the Village at Monument development's PD site plan on the west side of Old Denver Highway at Ranchero Drive.

Wiepking was the landowner (Wiepking Real Estate Investments LLC) and the developer (owner and president of MasterBilt Homes in Monument). The project was to be a neo-traditional neighborhood development, with two filings for 44 homes, a third filing with 80,000 square feet of commercial space, and over five acres of open space with far more landscaping than a standard Monument development. The project originally had mixed-use zoning so residents could have a barber, doctor, or coffee shop within walking distance in Phase 3.

For more historical information on the changes and evolution of this development, search "Village at Monument" (all words) on the home page www.ocn.me for the numerous articles on town actions for this development.

On July 21, 2008, the board approved:

- A rezone of Phase 3 Lot 2 and Tract B from Planned Commercial Development to Planned Development with a single family residential use due to lack of interest in commercial development.
- A vacation and replat revision for the new road alignment of the south end of Buffalo Valley Path, coupled with a vacation and replat of portions of Tracts C and D and a small portion of Wagon Gap Trail between these latter two tracts in Trails End.
- A preliminary/final PD site plan creating 22 single-family home lots in Filing 3.
- An associated major PD amendment for the Trails End development to allow driveway access for six of these 22 new residential lots to the northeast side of Wagon Gap Trail.

For more information on these decisions at this meeting, see <http://www.ocn.me/v8n8.htm#bot>.

Subsequently the board approved a town code amendment that extended the maximum time for recordation of site plans, plats, and rezones with the county from



On May 21, Monument Police Department Chief Jake Shirk presented commendation plaques to Detective Steve Lontz (above) and Mary Ellen Burk (below). Photos by Jim Kendrick.



18 months to 42 months to reflect the housing recession. The code amendment also allows the board to approve an extension for an unspecified period.

At the May 21 meeting, developer MasterBilt Homes LLC asked the board for a one-year extension on the time left for filing the three currently approved documents with the El Paso County clerk and recorder. Kassawara said the staff supports the request for several reasons:

- The addition of new single-family homes on a vacant parcel will benefit the town's economy.
 - The developer has agreed to all the conditions in the July 21, 2008, approvals.
 - The developer made a conscious effort to obtain an extension in 2009, then the staff advised him to wait until after the code revisions were completed.
 - There are no inconsistencies with regard to the code.
- The board unanimously approved an extension until May 21, 2013, for recordation of the Village at Monument replat and amended preliminary/final PD site plan.

Liquor licenses

The board unanimously approved Town Clerk Cynthia Sirochman's recommendation for a new liquor license request from Anthony Archuleta for WECWIN LLC, DBA Secret Windows Fine Art Gallery and Floral Studio at 47 Third St., with the condition that the Colorado Bureau of Investigation approves a second set of fingerprints to be sent to the bureau, due to the first set being defective.

Five annual liquor license renewals were unanimously approved for:

- 1st and 10 Sports Bar and Grill, 1455 Cipriani Loop
- The Village Merchants, 155 N. Jefferson St.
- Conoco Store/Circle K, 534 State Highway 105
- Eagle Wine and Spirits, 1060 W. Baptist Rd.
- Wal-Mart Supercenter No. 3227, 16218 Jackson Creek Parkway

Financial reports

The board unanimously approved one disbursement over \$5,000 for \$103,919 to Triview Metropolitan District consisting of \$97,251 for March sales tax, \$6,417 for April motor vehicle tax, and \$252 for April Pikes Peak Regional Building sales tax.

Town Treasurer Pamela Smith presented information on town sales tax earnings through March and the amount collected through May. The board unanimously accepted Smith's April financial statements and summary.

Staff reports

Town Attorney Gary Shupp commented that he received the court ruling for the Brody vs. the Town of Monument case, regarding alleged town right-of-way encroachments

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