The next meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 5 in the

district conference at 15850 Holbein Drive. This will be the last regular board meeting for 2013

and will include the 2014 budget public hearing.

Meetings are normally held

on the third Thursday of the month. Information: 488-3603. Jim Kendrick can be reached at

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Monument Sanitation District, Oct. 17

# \$1.08 million grant contract approved

By Jim Kendrick

On Oct. 17 the Monument Sanitation District board unanimously approved the state nutrient grant contract for a planning grant (\$80,000) and a design/ construction grant (\$1 million) to help pay for new total phosphorus removal equipment at the Tri-Lakes Wastewater Treatment Facility. The equipment has been mandated by the state's new nutrient Control Regulation 85 and will cost a total of \$2.007

million. Board President Ed DeLaney signed the contract for the district.

The board also scheduled its public hearing on the 2014 budget for 7 p.m. Dec. 19 in the district conference room, 130 Second St.

The Tri-Lakes facility operates as a separate public utility and is jointly owned, in equal one-third shares, by Monument Sanitation District, Palmer Lake Sanitation District, and

Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District. Each of the three owner districts will receive a one-third share of these two grants, which is \$360,000. The planning grant requires a 20 percent match, or \$16,000. Each district will have to contribute \$5,333 to receive its one-third share of the state planning grant, which amounts to \$26,667.

Monument will have to gain voter approval through its Nov. 5 district mail-in ballot election for

a TABOR waiver to be able to accept its one-third share of the \$1 million design/construction grant, which is \$333,333. This amount is well in excess of Monument's current annual \$50,000 state grant acceptance limit—10 percent of its enterprise fund annual operating budget of about \$500,000. No matching funds or reimbursements are required by the state grant contract for accepting one-third shares of the \$1 million design/construction

The meeting adjourned at 8: 25 p.m. \*\*\*\*\*

The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Nov. 21 in the district conference room, 130 Second St. Meetings are normally held on the third Thursday of the month. Information: 481-4886.

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Monument Board of Trustees, Oct. 7

## Dominowski named Citizen of the Year

By Jim Kendrick

Mayor Travis Easton presented John Dominowski with the Citizen of the Year award for his "outstanding efforts" on constructing the town's new banner boards and improving the town's special event permit process during the Oct. 7 Monument Board of Trustees meeting.

#### Downtown sidewalks, parking plans approved

Tom Kassawara, director of the Development Services Department, discussed the status of the town's sidewalk and parking project plans, current downtown parking practices, and safety issues. The project has received grant funding under an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town of Monument and the Colorado Department of Transportation for downtown sidewalk improvements.

The trustees approved the agreement on May 6. The state funding to be provided for the project will be \$791,858 over a four-year period. The town match over these four years will be about \$183,142. Jacobs Engineering is the contractor for project design.

Trustee Rafael Dominguez used himself from the discussion, noting that he owns downtown commercial property directly affected by this project.

Kassawara briefed the board on where new sidewalks, curb, and gutter would be installed on Beacon Lite Road, Jefferson Street, Washington Street, and Front Street. Due to limited funding, new sidewalks will be installed only on one side of these streets in the downtown area. Wherever necessary, mountable ("drive-over") curb will be used to maintain current access to onsite parking. The new sidewalks will be 6 inches thick where they are adjacent to on-site parking to withstand the weight of vehicles driving over them without causing damage.

Kassawara reported that the town staff had identified that the seven angled parking spaces on the south side of Second Street

between Washington Street and Jefferson Street create several potential public safety hazards, such as driver and pedestrian



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