Washington Streets for the annual Tri-Lakes Cruisers Annual Benefit Car Show on June 8 from 5 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Disbursements over \$5,000

The board unanimously approved two disbursements over

- \$31,605 to John Elway Chevrolet for a 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe for the Monument Police Department
- \$5,574 to 4 Rivers Equipment for road grader upgrades for the Monument Public Works Department

Town manager's report

Some of the items Town Manager Pamela Smith noted regarding the trustee initiative to have the town take over sidewalk maintenance were:

- No money had been budgeted or appropriated for 2014 to provide a revenue stream to pay for the town's takeover of sidewalk maintenance.
- Any funding for this program will have to be reallocated/taken from other budgeted, appropriated, and approved programs already planned for and in progress.
- If the Board of Trustees passes a town-wide ordinance to this effect, the board is obligating Triview Metropolitan District and Village Center Metropolitan District to take over these duties with no revenue stream of their own to pay for sidewalk maintenance or staff to carry it out.
- The scope of mandated town sidewalk criteria and maintenance responsibilities needs to be defined.
- An estimate of outsourced cement contractor expenses has to be developed.
- Public Works staffing would have to be increased for unprecedented concrete demolition and removal requirements.
- It's not clear why the town would not also have to take over sidewalk snow and trash removal.
- All town sidewalks will have to be inspected and documented/photographed to establish a list of nearterm and immediate repairs.
- The town staff has received no complaints about the need for sidewalk repairs.
- The proposal creates an undefined scope of liability issues for the town.
- "If it isn't broken, why are we trying to fix it?"

Board of Trustees comments

Mayor Easton said announced there was discussion about stormwater funding at the last Mayors Caucus meeting. He said dedicated funding is being discussed without regard to putting objectives or metrics in place to be sure issues are adequately addressed. It is likely that the Fountain Creek Watershed District will have no authority or oversight on stormwater decisions, and Easton asked Town Treasurer Pamela Smith not pay town dues to the watershed district at this time.

Easton said the stormwater discussion currently surrounds a "fee, not a tax," on the November ballot that will show up on regional property tax bills nonetheless. A pool of money could be formed that several entities would share. The Town of Monument already has a dedicated funding source, so the town wants to make sure it's not double paying. A question could be included on the November ballot regarding "Should a storm water authority be created?" with no reference to a fee. However, this new stormwater body would have the authority to impose a fee without regard to the voters.

Public comments

The town's consultant publicist, Cynthia Blakely of public relations firm Blakely and Associates, gave a short progress report on actions taken under the contract for Blakely's marketing plan. She gave a presentation on

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the town map and brochure the marketing team has been working on. When finalized, the brochure will be made available throughout the county.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. Jim Kendrick can be reached at jimkendrick@ocn.me.

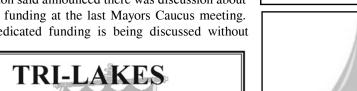
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