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 • Cafe Velo Tri-Lakes GranFondo bicycle race on May 4 (<http://coloradospringscycling.com/granfondo/>)  
 Trustee Gingrich announced that Karen Brofft has been selected as the new superintendent for D-38, pending contract negotiations.  
 Mayor Easton announced that Trustee Tyler Stevens from Green Mountain Falls

will be representing small communities on the Pikes Peak Regional Building Department board.  
 The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.  
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 The next meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on April 7 at Monument Town Hall, 645 Beacon Lite Rd. Meetings are normally held on the first and third Monday of the month. Information: 884-8017 or

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Open Letter to our new D38 Superintendent Brofft.

Welcome. I am sure you received many in-brief from the D38 School Board on your new Lewis-Palmer School District position. Here are some additional data on the history of this School Board to help broaden your understanding of the current community relationship.

During the last several years, the Lewis-Palmer School Board has:

1. Created an uncertain financial environment, jeopardizing current teacher and administrator's futures, risking successful recruitment of high caliber teachers.
2. Violated Elementary School student privacy by hoisting a Biometrics palm scanning systems on the district without coordinating parental privacy or medical concerns.
3. Exposed D38 to financial class actions, and loss of reputational for excellence due to discontent with district leadership and dis-information.
4. Mismanaged budgets by refinancing a voter approved Bond with a non-voter approved Certificate of Participation (COP) with \$1,600,000 in new interest costs.
  - Misrepresenting costs and time periods for promised early COP redemption.
5. Tolerating a School Board member's apparent financial conflict of interest.
6. Quibbling on declining Middle School student test performance in 2010-2012.
7. Creating a toxic and intimidating community environment with legal threats to community members at School Board meetings asking for financial details.
8. Presiding over four D38 Superintendent exits creating inconsistency in leadership, financial management, and curricula. Again, welcome to D38.
9. Failure to gain community support costing taxpayers over \$60,000 in wasted costs for three failed MLO elections and \$14,000 more in consultant fees.

Obviously, any future issues may require your documentation of the existing D38 financial situation as you take over the responsibilities as D38 Superintendent.

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Left: Trustee Jeff Bornstein, left, and police Cpl. Rob Stewart, representing Cops for Kids, are shown with 16-year-old Savannah Bornstein, who asked for donations to assist her community in lieu of gifts at her recent birthday party. Bornstein donated about \$350 each in gift cards and cash to the Monument Police Department and Cops for Kids. At the March 17 Board of Trustees meeting, she received awards from Police Chief Jake Shirk and Stewart on behalf of both organizations. Photo by Lisa Hatfield.

## Forest View Acres Water District, March 27

# Forest View Acres Water District receives \$300,000 grant

By Nancy Wilkins

A \$300,000 grant from Colorado's Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) was awarded in January to Forest View Acres Water District (FVAWD) to be used in infrastructure projects. The district board approved the grant Jan. 30, pending suggested revisions by DOLA.

At the Feb. 27 meeting, John McGinn and Teigan Gulliver from engineering firm JDS Hydro Consultants Inc. presented an aerial map showing proposed district water distribution pipe locations. Gulliver recommended purchasing 5-foot easements prior to construction. As of March 27, the board was continuing to negotiate the purchase of easement sections from district residents.

### Operations report

Gabby Begeman from ORC Water Professionals reported that the surface water plant produced most of the water for January, February, and March. Begeman also presented an aerial photograph identifying water leaks. The photograph is useful when prioritizing future water line repairs. Director Eckenhart Zimmermann requested monthly reports for water levels in the aquifer, and Begeman confirmed that a report could be created using data collected on a daily bases.

### Other matters

- The board unanimously voted to maintain 2014 rates at 2013 levels at the Jan. 30 meeting.
- During the Feb. 27 meeting, a realtor asked the board to reduce the \$3,000 per acre tap fee on a 40-acre parcel.
- The board has requested that consultant engineering firm TZA Water Engineers present a conceptual design for the water pressure booster station by April 11.
- Director Karla Thompson presented a detailed spreadsheet with graphs showing FVAWD expenses, to be used as a future management tool.
- District Manager Joel Meggers has updated the district website to include all financial reports for all funds for all months during 2013. Shilling & Co. LLC will perform the 2013 audit.
- Director Anne Bevis expressed the board's appreciation to all the firefighters who extinguished a fire March 26 in the district.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.  
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Forest View Acres Water District board meetings are normally held at 6 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month in the Monument Sanitation District boardroom, 130 Second St., Monument. Information: 488-2110.

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