

Tap size (inches)	Old 2016	New 2016	2017	2018	2019	2002	2021
3/4 (typical)	\$9,000	\$15,000	\$16,350	\$17,820	\$19,420	\$21,170	\$20,080
1	\$18,000	\$26,670	\$29,070	\$31,680	\$34,520	\$37,520	\$41,030
1-1/2	\$36,000	\$60,000	\$65,400	\$71,280	\$77,680	\$84,680	\$93,320
3	\$162,000	\$180,000	\$196,200	\$213,840	\$233,040	\$254,040	\$276,960
4	calculated	\$320,000	\$348,000	\$381,600	\$414,290	\$451,630	\$492,730

Above: The Monument Board of Trustees approved a jump in water tap fees on Sept. 19. This chart shows the new Town of Monument domestic (potable) water impact fees for new developments in the town water system on the west side of I-25. Multi-family units have a different structure. For details, see <http://monumenttownco.minutesondemand.com/> and click on the Sept. 19 Board of Trustees packet. *Chart courtesy of Town of Monument.*

the lower three aquifers of the Beaver Creek Ranch in the residential portion of Forest Lakes, and on Beaver Creek it has five senior water rights.

- The town does not use those molecules of water directly. But because it has rights to that much water from Beaver Creek, it is allowed to pump that same quantity from the aquifers under the town ... as long as those aquifers can produce water.
- Eventually, the town will actually need to pump the water out of a well in Forest Lakes. The aquifers are not being replenished at a significant rate, so the water is being "mined."
- The small amount of renewable water that the town has from Beaver Creek, and the junior rights you have for your reservoir, are so important, because renewable water is renewed every year by the hydrologic cycle.
- We keep trying to find renewable water for this town that is affordable; the last time we were successful was 1982 when the Beaver Creek rights were acquired. We need to keep looking for renewable water.
- The town also owns one-third of the storage capacity in the water tank in the Forest Lakes development. (Koger said the town is not using this capacity now, and the pressure is not directly compatible with the town's nearby system.)
- Will Koger is working on an "indirect water reuse" project for local entities, to make the maximum use of each drop of water and prolong the life of the aquifers a little while.
- However, "direct reuse" of water can be 10 times cheaper than "indirect reuse," which requires pumping treated effluent miles back upstream to be mixed with surface water before being treated to drinking water standards. Direct reuse presents a "perception problem," and avoiding that problem costs money.
- The state could take the lead and really restrict the watering of bluegrass lawns. But the Colorado Water Plan just adopted is "same old, same old."

Forsgren Associates Assistant Division Manager Jonathan Moore said he is working on a regional plan to bring

renewable water to the area, which could help everyone in the community if Woodmoor Water and Sanitation, Triview Metropolitan District, Donala Water and Sanitation District, and the town can all work together to implement such a plan.

Resident Nancy Swearingen said the town could not just keep pushing off the decision to provide water for the future of the community "just because it was too expensive." "Very well said!" opined Krassa.

Fenley appointed to Board of Adjustment

Town Planner Larry Manning said that the town had advertised for a month and currently had six applicants for the two open positions on the Board of Adjustment (BOA). Jamie Fenley was the only resident who appeared at the Sept. 19 meeting, and Manning did not know why the others were not there, although Roger Hernandez had called to say he could not attend.

After the trustees interviewed Fenley, Trustee Shea Medlicott made a motion that Fenley be appointed to three-year BOA term and to hold off filling the one-year position until the other candidates could be interviewed. Trustee Jeff Bornstein was out of the room.

The motion failed with a tie 2-2 vote. Mayor Jeff Kaiser and Mayor Pro Tem Don Wilson were opposed, with no reason given.

Bornstein returned, and Kaiser said, "We have a motion before you, do you vote for Ms. Fenley?" and Bornstein said "yes." "The motion passes 3-2," Kaiser said.

However, Shupp and Medlicott said no, the entire motion was to appoint Fenley and wait until interviews could be done for the one-year term, and that motion failed.

Medlicott made a new motion to appoint Fenley to a three-year term. It was approved 3-2. Kaiser and Wilson were opposed, with no reason given.

Medlicott then made a motion to wait to interview

others in person before appointing anyone to the one-year term. It was approved 4-1. Kaiser was opposed, with no reason given.

Chamber of Commerce update

Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Terri Hayes told the trustees about recent changes for the Chamber, which "provides leadership to support, improve, and promote existing and new business." Her comments included:

- The Chamber moved from its old location at 300 Highway 105 over a year ago, because the building was too small to welcome visitors and plan events.
- The Town of Monument made space for the Chamber at 166 Second Street, which has been undergoing renovations since then to make it an inviting and practical space.
- The new location includes a community room that

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