



Above: Michael Bailey, left, general manager of Tri-Lakes Radio, received recognition for his station's streaming of district athletic events. Superintendent Karen Brofft and board President Sherri Hawkins, right, listen to his acceptance. *Photo by Harriet Halbig.*

processing and consideration.

The board discussed the policies regarding requests for information under the Colorado Open Records Act. The board stressed that it is not the recipient of such a request, but rather Foster and his office.

Magerko suggested that members of the community should ask questions more informally rather than using the formal route of placing requests.

At the request of Director Sampayo, the board discussed renewal of early literacy assessments. She was

concerned about the release of personally identifiable data and whether parents will be informed of what data is collected and how it is used.

Brofft responded that data is presented by way of an assessment matrix and personal data is protected.

The board approved a consent agenda consisting of various routine matters such as approval of late starts to school days because of weather, minutes of previous meetings, and similar matters.

The board went into executive session at 7:30 and no further business was conducted thereafter.

Clarification: The board at its December meeting did not approve the automatic renewal of Superintendent Brofft's contract but approved her evaluation and designated Clawson to negotiate Brofft's contract. The contract itself will be considered at the February meeting.

The Board of Education of Lewis-Palmer D-38 meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month in the district's Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. The next meeting will be on Feb. 16.

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El Paso Board of County Commissioners, Jan. 17

The Dunes and Misty Acres move ahead

By Helen Walklett

The El Paso Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) considered items relating to two developments in the Tri-Lakes area at its Jan. 17 meeting.

District 1 Commissioner Darryl Glenn is the new president of the BOCC, having been appointed by his peers at the Jan. 10 meeting.

The Dunes at Woodmoor Development

The BOCC unanimously approved an application for preliminary acceptance of certain streets within the Dunes at Woodmoor development into the county road maintenance system. County Engineer Jennifer Irvine's report said that the application followed completion and inspection of the public improvements associated with

this development.

The three roads involved are Sandy Shore Lane, Willow Park Way, and Dunes Lake Lane. Willow Park Way and Sandy Shore Lane intersect with Woodmoor Drive. The Transportation Division of the Public Works Department reviewed and approved the application before it came before the BOCC.

Misty Acres

Also at the Jan. 17 meeting, the BOCC unanimously approved three separate partial releases of letters of credit relating to subdivision Filings 2C, 3, and 4 in the Misty Acres development.

The developer, Rivers Misty Acres LLC, had agreed to public improvements including road, erosion, and

storm drain work.

Irvine's reports said that 80 percent of the required public improvements in each of the three subdivisions had been completed and inspected. In relation to Filing 2C, she recommended release of \$64,926 with the remaining \$8,989 retained for two years for the defect warranty period. For Filing 3, she recommended release of \$194,753. with \$147,694 held for the two-year defect warranty period and, for subdivision 4, release of \$22,120 with \$31,400 to be held for the two-year defect warranty period.

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Woodmoor Improvement Association Board of Directors, Jan. 25

Board discusses North Bay development, coyote concerns

By Jackie Burhans

The Woodmoor Improvement Association (WIA) board met on Jan. 25 to discuss the North Bay development, hear owner concerns about coyote behavior, and conduct other business. Director Alan Bassett, who has moved out of Woodmoor, was absent.

La Plata North Bay

The La Plata North Bay development on Deer Creek Road just north and west of The Barn is expected to have 28 houses on that tract of land when complete. As with other developments, the board has begun negotiations with La Plata for infrastructure and governance of the sub-homeowners association. Per the rules and regulations of WIA, a motion was made to engage the HOA lawyer in these discussions and cap the expenditure at \$10,000 before coming back to the board for additional approvals. This cost is expected to be recovered through non-refundable administrative fees paid by La Plata.

New paths to be built

Director Per Suhr reported that Woodmoor Public Safety Chief Kevin Nielsen met with the Lewis-Palmer School District 38 board and administration in regards to a grant they are seeking from Safe Routes to Schools. The district would like to make a walking path from Palmer Ridge High School (PRHS) to Lewis-Palmer Middle School (LPMS) and to Lewis-Palmer Elementary School (LPES). WIA Architectural Control and Common Areas administrator Bob Pearsall and Common Areas Director Rich Wretschko discussed the existing trails, one of which almost completes what the grant would entail.

Pearsall and Wretschko are invited to attend the planning stages. Pearsall has already received commitments from developers and property owners. The district would like to get a letter of support for the trail system from the WIA board. The district's goal is to get a grant for the bulk of the cost and fund the rest from other sources, including possible community donations. More information on the program is available at <http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/>.

Coyote concerns

Residents raised concerns about coyotes in Woodmoor, asking for an agenda item to be added for the Annual Meeting on Jan. 30. Additional questions covered the impact of development projects on animal movement, concerns about coyote dens in Woodmoor common areas near schools, and stalking and attacking people and pets. Finally, it was noted that some people are feeding coyotes, attracting them to the area and causing them to be unafraid of people.

Pearsall noted that developers get reviewed by multiple agencies, including Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW). President Erik Stensland noted that WIA statistics do not show increased coyote activity. WIA could take action against people who feed coyotes or other wildlife under the Article V, Section 10 Nuisance section of the covenants, but there must be a formal report made. Postings on social media sites such as Facebook or Nextdoor are not considered formal reports.

Nielsen said WIA created a board-approved Coyote/Wildlife Management Plan in 2014 with the assistance of CPW (<http://bit.ly/wia-wildlife-plan>) that includes education, reporting, and a program of lethal control if coyote behavior becomes dangerous. Additional resources available on the WIA website under Public Safety include a CPW Coyote Deterrents document (<http://bit.ly/wia-cpw-coyote-deter>) and a CPW Coyote Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document (<http://bit.ly/wia-cpw-coyote-faqs>).

Reports of coyote or other wildlife sightings and interactions can be made to WIA in person at The Barn or by phone to Woodmoor Public Safety at 719-499-9771. WPS will attempt to confirm the sighting or incident and will track all reports and identify "hot spots" where additional investigation may be needed.

Board report highlights

- No open fires are allowed in Woodmoor. Violations of this covenant can result in a minimum fine of \$500. It is very dry this winter.



Above: Vice president Peter Bille (center) gives a certificates of appreciation to outgoing director of Architectural Control Mark Ponti (left) and outgoing President Erik Stensland. *Photo by Jackie Burhans.*

- President Stensland noted that this was his last regular board meeting, as his term on the board is coming to an end. He thanked the staff for all its hard work.
- Due to a great response, Ring has extended its \$25 discount offer on its video doorbell and cloud storage for Monument residents until March 1. Product information and ordering is available at www.ring.com. Use the code 3monument25 (all lower case).
- The board confirmed that the El Paso County Sheriff's Office has stepped up its patrolling in Woodmoor.

The WIA Board of Directors usually meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month in The Barn at 1691 Woodmoor Drive, Monument. The next meeting will be on Feb. 22. The WIA calendar can be found at <https://www.woodmoor.org/wia-calendar/>. WIA board meeting minutes can be found at <https://www.woodmoor.org/meeting-minutes/> once approved and posted.

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