

to create its own increases.

- Finally, if the loan is not repaid on time, the rate can go from 3.4 percent up to 8 percent.

If the loan is not approved, the Water Fund's cash will be depleted and will need to be supplemented by the General Fund until revenues come in. See www.ocn.me/v18n9.htm#mbot and www.ocn.me/v18n9.htm#mbot0820.

The ordinance failed as no one made a motion to vote.

Triview Metro District No. 3 appointments fail

Triview Metropolitan District No. 3 requested board approval of five appointees to its board in order to continue work on the Home Place Ranch development. The appointments, all employees of Challenger Homes, the developer taking over the property, would last for six months. Afterward, a special election would be required.

Background: In March 2006, the Home Place Ranch property, a 431-acre development on the south side of Higby Road, was annexed into the town. In July 2006, the board approved the Title 32 Triview Metropolitan District No. 3, which included a \$5 million loan for road improvements. Triview Metro District will provide all water and sewer services to the development. The state, which monitors Title 32 special districts, almost dissolved this district because neither the budget nor the board was maintained. Challenger Homes intends to reinstate the special district to pay for road construction.

Trustee Jeffrey Bornstein had a number of questions before voting, including:

- He didn't feel this was correct protocol for voting for the board members without the Planning Commission approving anything. He would abstain from voting.

- He also wondered if there are consequences to not approving the resolution. Corley said they would come back to the board and ask for a special district to be created.
- He asked if the board has an obligation to approve, to which Corley responded that it depends on the service plan and statutes.

No motion was made, so the resolution failed.

Code enforcement becomes police responsibility

At its Aug. 6 meeting, the BOT decided not to renew Community Preservation Specialists' part-time code enforcement contract that was signed in 2017 when the town eliminated a seasonal/part-time employee to save money. See www.ocn.me/v17n8.htm#mbot. There hasn't been code enforcement in the town since Aug. 1, so Smith has been collecting emails from residents' enforcement requests. Only four new code enforcement issues have been reported, mostly pertaining to parking and weed control issues, said Smith.

At its Aug 20 meeting, the board decided to post a full-time code enforcement position.

In the meantime, Mayor Don Wilson suggested the Monument Police Department take care of code enforcement issues until someone is hired. Town Clerk Laura Hogan verified the Police Department can enforce all municipal codes.

The idea of using reserve police officers was proposed, but Police Chief Jake Shirk said they can't handle calls like this but confirmed his officers will comply with the board's request.

Coopman suggested they put this full-time position into the 2019 budget. Smith said there is only \$19,000 in the budget currently, because it was assumed the contract with Community

Preservation Specialists would be renewed.

Other business

The board heard a presentation by Terri

Hayes, president and CEO of the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development and Visitors Center. She said:

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Lewis-Palmer School District 38

Teacher Spotlight: Michelle Grothe

Michelle Grothe is entering her sixth year of teaching fourth grade at Ray E. Kilmer Elementary School. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Science with an Elementary Education endorsement from the University of Northern Colorado after graduating from Liberty High School. She chose teaching as her profession because she struggled as an elementary and middle school student. She wanted to help others who struggled as well.



Prior to joining Lewis-Palmer School District 38, Grothe taught third grade in District 20. When Michelle had children, she took a break from teaching and became an involved parent at Kilmer Elementary. When her children were old enough, she started subbing and then decided to return to teaching. She enjoys her students — finding them kind, caring, and wanting to succeed. She utilizes various means of connecting with her students and enjoys keeping them engaged not only with learning but also with the world around them. Michelle loves seeing how hard her kids work, always trying to do their best.

If Michelle did not teach, she would flip houses with her husband. They designed and built their own home in Monument. Michelle enjoys off-road cycling, paddle boarding, and traveling with her family.

Ballot Information Forum

Hosted by the D38 District Accountability Advisory Committee and Committee for Political Achievement

A panel will answer questions about the D38 November ballot questions (4A and 4B).

Thursday, October 11, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

The Learning Center at Big Red
146 N. Jefferson Street or watch it livestreamed on the LPSD Community YouTube channel (<http://tiny.cc/lpsdcommunity>)

More info at www.lewispalmer.org/4A4B

LPSD October Events

October 1: D38 Wellness Expo, 5:30 p.m., LPHS	October 17: PK-12 Conferences
October 5: No Classes K-6, Monument Academy No Classes	October 18: No Classes PK-8, PK-8 Conferences, Monument Academy No Classes
October 6: D38 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, 2:00 p.m., LPHS	October 19: No Classes PK-12, Monument Academy No Classes
October 8: LPHS Conferences, Monument Academy No Classes	October 24: D38 College Fair, 6:00 p.m., LPHS Gym
October 10: Kiwanis Empty Bowls Dinner, 5:30 p.m., LPHS	October 25: PRHS Conferences
October 15: Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Admin Building	October 31: 2-Hour Delayed Start/PLC