20 pages to four, since the first presentation at the November board meeting and the January board meeting discussion with Juran. The board unanimously approved the investment Policy 218, 7-0.

Truty asked the board to approve the investment of liquid assets with COLO Trust and the investment of assets in a local government investment pool. The board heard a presentation from Brent Turner, vice president of Investment Advisory Services of COLO Trust, at the February board meeting. See www.ocn.me/v20n3.htm#tlmfpd. Secretary Mike Smaldino led a roll call vote, and the board unanimously approved the resolution to invest liquid assets with COLO Trust, 7-0.

Chief's report

Truty gave the following update:

- The annual audit is scheduled for mid-May and will be conducted remotely.
- Capt. Dean Wahl is due to start June 1 as the division chief of Lo-

gistics.

- Firefighters Matt Edmunds and Braden Stoenner will be formally promoted to engineers at the May board meeting.
- The new EMS captain candidate interviews will be scheduled for early May.
- Impact fee discussions continue between the local fire chiefs and the Colorado Springs Home Builders Association (HBA) and area home builders. It is likely that the old formulas for assessing fees will not fly since the old figures are too high.

Community risk

- Bumgarner gave the following update:
 Coordination efforts with Officer
 David Husted of the OEM continue for the evacuation drill event scheduled for September.
- An application for a Wildland Fire Mitigation Grant has been submitted.
- TLMFPD is a finalist for an Evacu-

- ation Planning Support Grant, and results will be known in May.
- Wildfire mitigation efforts continue throughout the district.

Public comments

Resident Lisa Hatfield, thanked Division Chief of Community Risk/Battalion Chief Jamey Bumgarner for speaking about wildfire preparedness at the Colorado Estates neighborhood group meeting in March. She added, "Besides cleaning out our closets, we are also going to clean up our overgrown yards!"

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Meetings are usually held the fourth Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. May 27 at TLMFPD Station 1, 18650 Highway 105. For information, contact Director of Administration Jennifer Martin at 710-484-9011. For upcoming agendas, see www.tlmfire.org/board.

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Monument Board of Trustees, April 6

Radium requests reconsidered and approved

By Allison Robenstein

The Monument Board of Trustees (BOT) held a virtual meeting on April 6 and approved a request for radium removal from Well 3/9. They also approved a five-year support contract for Police Department evidence maintenance and held an executive session to discuss attorney salary.

Greg Coopman was noted as absent. This would have been the last meeting of his four-year term.

Connection issues prevented Trustee Laurie Clark from attending remotely. Several times it appeared as though she was connected to the Webex meeting, so Deputy Clerk Erica Romera asked for Clark's vote, but nothing could be heard at her end.

Mayor Don Wilson began the meeting by explaining that both staff and board members would appear on the screen when they were speaking during the teleconference meeting. All other attendees had their microphones muted except during public

Design and engineering services to reduce and/or remove discharge of Well 3/9

Public Works Director Tom Tharnish brought a resolution to the board to approve engineering services from Forsgren Associates Inc. to perform an extensive study of the rising levels of radium in Well 3/9. This same request had been presented at the March 2 meeting but was not approved. To vote again on the request, Trustee Jeffrey Bornstein made a motion to reconsider the resolution. Town Attorney Joseph Rivera said once the motion to reconsider was approved, the resolution should be voted upon as if it were new. See https://ocn.me/v20n4.htm#mbot. Tharnish requested \$81,360 for the engineering and design study, saying the construction portion of the project will be presented at a future date. The output from this project will be a technical memorandum to include costs.

In his request, Tharnish said, "By awarding the Project Agreement to Forsgren Associates Inc., we will follow an aggressive timeline to complete an evaluation and design for submittal to [the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)] for approval in the next several months. Upon approvals from CDPHE, we will move forward with a construction [Request for Proposal (RFP)] to implement the chosen solution."

Forsgren provided information relating to previous radium removal projects. Bornstein said the information answered all of his questions.

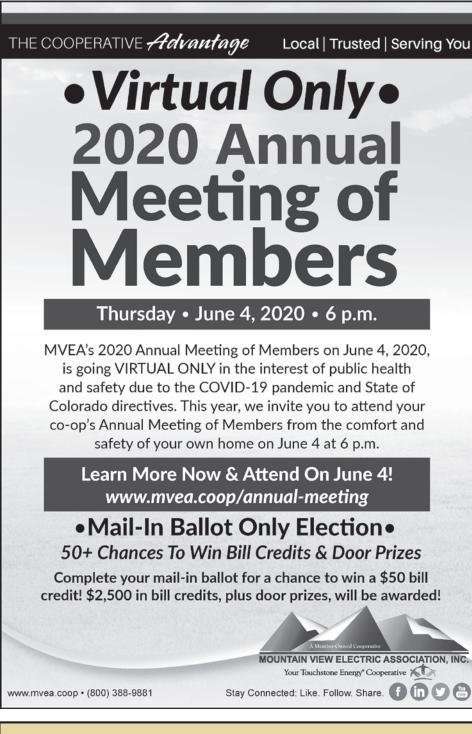
Trustee Ron Stephens confirmed this is a design that will look beyond dilution, which was the temporary solution Tharnish implemented in 2017 when radium levels exceeded the maximum allowed.

"Dilution is no longer a consideration," said Tharnish.

The request unanimously passed with a 5-0 vote.

Resolution for Well 7 engineering and design modifications

Tharnish requested approval to spend \$42,250 to create a new backwash system and to replace valves on the almost 30-year-old Well 7, saying it is becoming increasingly difficult to find parts.



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We have restrictions in place allowing only essential visitors to enter. All essential visitors wear a mask, are screened at the door, and their temperature is taken.

If approved, they sanitize their hands and go directly to the resident's room. Staff members go through the same screening process. Staff members wear masks when out in the public for essential tasks.

We have set up an iPad for our residents to use *Facetime* with their loved ones. Our families and residents are thoroughly enjoying this time together.

Our staff is going above and beyond in serving our elders in this challenging time. You still hear laughter and folks having fun.

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