

the next 10 years when the new nutrient Regulation 31.17 takes effect. Director Chuck Robinove said the three owner wastewater districts—Monument, Palmer Lake, and Woodmoor—also need to conduct their own master plans. See the JUC article on page 13.

Wicklund noted that Monument already has a long-range plan, though it is time to update it again. Each of the three districts already owns a large enough share of the Tri-Lakes facility's rated treatment capacity of 4.2 million gallons per day to cover their long-term capacity needs when all internal new construction has been completed.

Wicklund noted that the state has proposed a new

arsenic limit of 2 micrograms per liter (or 2 parts per billion) for state waters. The EPA has rejected this proposal and is asking for a limit of 0.020 micrograms per liter (or 20 parts per trillion) which is 100 times lower than the proposed state limit. Neither limit is technologically feasible, much less economically feasible, he said. These new limits, if approved, would require every wastewater treatment plant to permanently collect and report costly data in order to just apply for a discharger specific variance every three years to the Water Quality Control Commission, another source of skyrocketing fees required by the state and EPA.

Robinove stated that Monument has already included

its \$27,000 share in the 2013 budget for construction of a new \$81,000 storage garage. (After this meeting, OCN learned that both the Palmer Lake and Woodmoor boards also approved going forward with building the new storage building in 2013.)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Sept. 20 in the district conference room at 130 Second St. Meetings are normally held on the third Thursday of the month. Information: 481-4886.

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Lewis-Palmer District 38 Board of Education, Sept. 20

Board approves budget changes, hears status reports

By Harriet Halbig

Assistant Superintendent Cheryl Wangeman reported to the board Sept. 20 that payment for items ordered before June 30 and received after July 1 will be covered with encumbered funds from the 2011-12 school year.

Wangeman also reported that funds were moved into salaries to cover the hiring of additional teachers for class size needs. These funds were set aside for this use in the 2012-13 budget.

In addition, there was a \$188,000 carryover for capital projects, of which \$30,000 was used to repair a water main break near the administration building.

The homeschool academy's enrollment has exceeded projections. An additional teacher and a paraprofessional were hired. Due to an increase in students in the special education program, an additional special educator and a paraprofessional were hired and added into the budget. These expenses totaled approximately \$85,250 and were taken from the \$109,000 overage of revenues less expenditures in the 2012-2013 budget.

The board voted to approve these changes in the budget.

Superintendent's report

Superintendent John Borman reported that the district has hired 41 new teachers for the 2012-13 school year. Many of these are teachers with several years of experience in this and other districts. He has visited with each new teacher individually.

Borman said he has visited many of the schools in the first weeks of the year. All Back to School Nights have been held and he attended several of them.

The 2012-13 budget was based on the assumption that the student population would grow by 60 over last year. The official count is taken on Oct. 1. It appears that the district will meet that goal and possibly exceed it when factoring in the 51 students enrolled in the new homeschool academy. Although these students do not attend full time, partial funding will be received for their enrollment.

Borman said that he has formed a middle school

advisory group consisting of seven seventh-graders and eight eighth-graders.

The bus fee system is going smoothly, with many of those who originally opting out returning to ridership, he said.

A major initiative in the new school year is the continuation of curriculum mapping.

Staffing update

Director of Personnel and Student Services Bob Foster reported that at the end of the 2011-12 school year there

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By Jim Leaser

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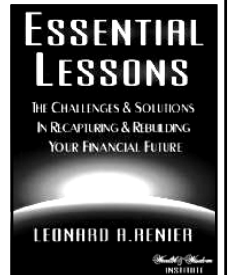
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