

dent. In this way, they all have the same information and can interact with the student in a consistent way.

Several parents in the group created PLPs for their children last year, following its introduction by a teacher from Kilmer Elementary School (see page 15 of the June 2011 issue for further information). They said that its use this year caused a great improvement in understanding on the part of general education teachers.

There was a discussion of the possibility of offering a workshop for parents to provide them with a template for creating their own PLP, showing examples and demonstrating how to insert photos and music where appropriate.

Mary Ann Fleury, the district's director of Exceptional Student Services, gave a presentation on her department's activities during this year. This presentation

was given at the DAAC meeting the previous evening. For detailed information, see page 23 of this issue.

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The Special Education Advisory Council meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month during the school year. The next meeting will be held on Sept. 12.

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### Monument Board of Trustees, May 7

## State champion Lewis-Palmer basketball team recognized

By Jim Kendrick

On May 7, the Monument Board of Trustees recognized the Lewis-Palmer High School boys' basketball team for winning the Colorado 4A state championship with a record of 27-1. Coach Russ McKinstry thanked the board for its recognition and support for the team's athletic and academic performance. He introduced the team members and his coaching staff. Numerous family members crowded the room to standing room only.

Town Manager Kathy Green said that if Lewis-Palmer keeps winning championships, the town would need a bigger board room. Trustee Tommie Plank and Trustee Rafael Dominguez praised the team for their great sportsmanship and character throughout the season. Mayor Easton presented a plaque to Coach McKinstry.

Trustee Stan Gingrich did not attend this meeting.

### Trustees' comments

Outgoing Trustee Plank, who is term-limited, noted that the town's eighth year of Art Hop will begin on May 17 in downtown Monument and that Art Hop is held on the third Thursday of each month.

Trustee Jeff Kaiser inquired about the intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) with Triview Metropolitan District that were set to expire April 30. Green stated the Administrative IGA will become a lease and the other IGAs had been terminated as scheduled.

Kaiser inquired about a town cemetery planning update. Outgoing Trustee Gail Drumm (term-limited) stated that the Cemetery Committee had held a meeting earlier in May. The committee will make a presentation for the board in June.

Outgoing Trustee and Mayor Pro Tem Dominguez, who chose not to run for re-election, challenged the Lewis-Palmer Boys Basketball team to a basketball game against the current Board of Trustees. Plank replied, "Wait a minute!"

Mayor Travis Easton commented that he had lunch with both D-38 high schools' Student Councils to discuss engaging youths in the community. Easton suggested, as "food for thought" for the new board, allowing Student Council members to engage in a Board of Trustees meeting as a nonvoting board member and be allowed to participate in discussions from the dais.

Easton commented on the governor's invitation to board members to discuss transportation issues on May 18 at a Colorado Springs meeting focused on transportation issues.

There were no public comments.

### New trustees sworn in

Easton presented plaques to Dominguez, Drumm, and Plank and thanked them for their dedication and the high quality of their collegial service to the town. Town Clerk Cynthia Sirochman administered the oath to the new trustees: John Howe, Becki Tooley, and Jeffrey Bornstein.

The board recessed at 6:49 p.m. for a reception for the outgoing and incoming trustees. The meeting resumed at 7:09 p.m., with the new trustees taking their places at the dais.

### New liquor ordinance approved

The board unanimously approved an ordinance electing the exclusive local review process for liquor license special event permit applications as authorized by Colorado Senate Bill 11-066. Sirochman said this action eliminates the need for redundant concurrent state approvals without adversely affecting the quality or thoroughness of the town review of special event applications.

### Fourth of July parade permit approved

The board unanimously approved a resolution authorizing the temporary closing of Lincoln Street, Third Street, and Beacon Lite Road from Third Street to Second Street and the issuance of a special events permit for conducting the annual Fourth of July Parade. The times and route of

the parade remain unchanged.

### Paving contract approved

The board unanimously approved a resolution for awarding a contract to John R. Hurley Asphalt LLC for \$18,360 for paving the former downtown police department parking lot now that all the modular buildings and other equipment have been removed. Public Works staff removed all the debris from the site on Washington Street, then graded and compacted the lot for Hurley.

Other costs like wheel stops for each of the planned parking spaces on the north side of the lot will bring the final cost up to \$21,000. Public Works will stripe the 29 parking spaces. Tom Kassawara, director of the Development Services Department, said the two-day installation was scheduled to start on May 21.

### Engineering consultant contract extended

The board unanimously approved a resolution for approving the third and final one-year extension to the four-year continuing services agreement with J3 Engineering Consultants Inc. for providing consulting engineering services to the Development Services Department on an as requested time and charges basis. Kassawara said that J3 just completed a project to mitigate sedimentation and erosion in Monument Creek just below the Monument Lake Dam spillway, "an exceptional job in a short period of time for a very good price."

### Four liquor licenses renewed

The board unanimously approved an annual liquor license renewal for the Diamond Shamrock truck stop at 1310 W. Baptist Rd. The board also unanimously approved three annual art gallery liquor licenses for:

- Margo's Inc., 253 Washington St.
- The Bead Corner, 251 Front St. No. 4
- Bella Casa, 155 Second St.

### Financial reports

Town Treasurer Pamela Smith presented the monthly information briefing on sales tax earnings, collections, and trends through February. Smith also presented a summary of the March financial statements for the various town funds. The March financials were unanimously accepted.

The board unanimously approved two disbursements over \$5,000:

- \$5,100 to Redline Pipeline to remove and replace rip rap at Monument Lake
- \$6,000 to John Cutler and Associates for a partial billing for the town's 2011 audit

### Staff reports

Town Attorney Gary Shupp noted that the final motions were filed in the Brody vs. Town of Monument case, regarding alleged town right-of-way encroachments onto

the vacant Brody lot on the southeast corner of Front and Third Streets. He is waiting for the court to make a ruling.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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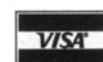
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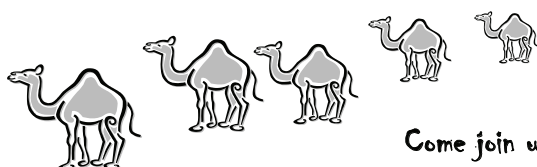
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