

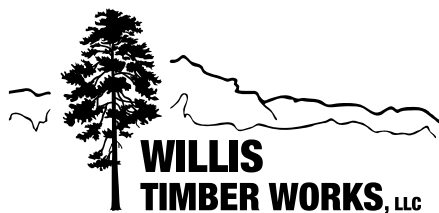


The second annual "Take Pride in Monument Day" will be held on Saturday, May 25th from 8:00 am to noon.

We'll be celebrating Monument pride with community projects, cleanups, minor home repairs for those in need, and planting flowers. To participate in "Take Pride in Monument Day", e-mail Vicki Mynhier at vmynhier@townofmonument.net or call her at 719.460.4179.

The day begins with donuts and drinks at Limbach Park on the corner of Second and Front Streets in downtown Monument.

If you have a project in mind or something that needs to be done, please contact Vicki. It is a great way for the whole family to get out and work together to make our community that much better.



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ity Control Division to eliminate this testing requirement.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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The next meeting will be held

at 10 a.m. on May 14 at the at the Tri-Lakes facility's conference room, 16510 Mitchell Ave. Meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of the month. Information for these meetings

will continue to be available at 481-4053.

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**Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District, April 11**

**Irrigation rate structure analysis authorized**

By Candice Hitt

On April 11, the Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District (WWSD) board authorized an analysis of the district's irrigation-only water rate structure. District Manager Jessie Shaffer stated that after the meeting he and President Barrie Town had with Monument Hill Country Club and Woodmoor Improvement Association (WIA), along with some other feedback he had received, it was time to look at the district's irrigation and non-potable rate structures now in place.

Golf club management has said it might not open the course this year because of high irrigation costs. Town stated that in the meeting, club managing member Vic Harshberger reported that they were using, on average, 79 acre-feet of water per year for the golf course, which is only 65 percent of the water needed to adequately water the course. Harshberger said the course needs about 118 acre-feet of water, but the club cannot afford WWSD's tier 3 water cost.

Shaffer later talked to Bishop, Brogden Associates, which agreed that the golf course needed 112 to 118 acre-feet of water per year. Town told Harshberger that he would present his findings to the board and look at the entire block structure for all irrigation customers.

Shaffer presented an overview of the block structures to the board. Irrigation-only customers are telling him the WWSD's block structure is too compressed, and they cannot fully water their grass without hitting the tier 3 rates. Shaffer stated that the tier 3 rate was designed to encourage water conservation. Customers are stating that they need more water in tiers 1 and 2 to achieve 80

percent of their grass irrigation demand (GID). Shaffer stated that you can have decent grass at 80 percent of GID.

Shaffer showed the board that the golf course was not meeting 80 percent of GID. He said WWSD has a revenue target that must be met from each customer class to meet operation demands. Shaffer stated that WWSD should look at the block structure for irrigation-only customers to see if the district is providing enough water in each tier. He explained how the blocks were originally structured and stated that the irrigation blocks were probably "under" what they should be. Shaffer recommended to the board that WWSD hire a consultant to make an accurate analysis of the block structures. The board authorized the expenditure of \$8,200 for analysis of the irrigation-only block structure, to be completed by May 2.

**New supplemental water pact**

Shaffer explained the new supplemental water use and service agreement between WWSD and Vista Ridge Estates LLC and WED LLC. He said WWSD had previously had a supplemental water agreement with WED that included a rider for additional single-family units (SFUs) generated by the sale of supplemental water service and the impact of the additional SFUs on WWSD's water and sewer systems.

The rider was an impact fee for \$2,000 per acre-foot of supplemental water sold. Shaffer recommended to the board that this rider be omitted from the new agreement. He said the old agreement was in 2004 and he was no longer comfortable with the \$2,000 per acre-foot calculation. Shaffer stated that the impact fee should be calculated and charged at the time of

development. The board agreed with Shaffer and approved eliminating the rider.

**Operations report and construction projects**

Assistant Manager Randy Gillette gave the operations report, saying he may ask the board to authorize the purchase of distribution system meters that would help in tracking down the locations of any leaks. Lake Woodmoor is continuing to fill, but it was about a foot lower than expected due to dry weather conditions. Gillette reported the new lake mixers will be delivered in mid-May. District staff will collect lake samples to create a baseline for water quality to start comparisons after the mixers are installed.

Well 18 had failed and will be pulled from the ground. Well 11 will also be pulled due to high amp issues.

Shaffer said the board room audio and visual equipment had been installed. The board thanked Gillette for his hard work creating the wood cabinet and designs to the room décor.

President Town suggested that WWSD needs to let customers know what is happening within the district on a regular basis. Shaffer stated the WWSD used to provide a monthly newsletter to the customers. Town stated it would be a good idea to provide the newsletter again on a quarterly basis. Shaffer will bring a draft copy to the board next month.

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The next regular board meeting will be held at 1 p.m. May 9 at the Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District Office, 1845 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. For information: 488-2525 or [www.woodmoorwater.com](http://www.woodmoorwater.com).

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**Donala Water and Sanitation District, April 18**

**Vialpando named employee of the quarter**

By Jim Kendrick

On April 18, Assistant District Manager Kip Petersen advised the Donala Water and Sanitation District that the Triview Metropolitan District board had decided not to make the quarterly payment to Donala for its share of treatment costs for the Upper

Monument Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility even though it had sufficient funds remaining in its plant operations budget to cover this payment.

The new Big R Store on Struthers Road continued to sell copper sulfate tree root killing products even though there is a

high probability that use of this Big R product could cause an expensive permit violation fine for the Upper Monument facility from the state or EPA.

At the start of the board meeting, District Manager Dana Duthie announced that Troy Vialpando of Maintenance was