

organizations, etc. will continue to be solicited at open houses and via links on the town website and Facebook pages.

Town Gardener Sharon Williams asked for better information about plans for including more turf and shade trees, rather than more parking spaces, in the plans outlined so “kids could run around barefoot because they may not have real grass where they live, and their parents may want to sit in the shade.” She is conducting a tree inventory of the town and offered input on types of sustainable trees that would live a long time and not need to be replaced every seven or eight years. Recently a lot of downtown area tree canopy has been lost.

July 4 parade plans approved

Monument Hill Kiwanis representatives RF Smith and Pete Peterson said that the theme of this year’s parade, which is organized by Kiwanis, will be “A New Birth of Freedom,” a line from the Gettysburg Address, and will commemorate the 150th anniversary of the death of President Abraham Lincoln. Smith said the goal of the parade is to be safe, entertaining, inspirational, and patriotic. The children’s parade will start at 9:30 from the St. Peter Catholic Church parking lot, and the main parade will start

at 10 a.m.

The trustees unanimously approved a special permit allowing the temporary closure of Lincoln Avenue, Front Street, Third Street from Front Street to Beacon Lite Road, and Beacon Lite Road from Third Street to Second Street from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 4 for conducting the Annual 4th of July Parade. For more information on parade entry applications, see monumenthillkiwanis.org.

Collecting WWII living history

Former Monument Mayor Leon Tenney solicited help from people in this region to “capture the living history” and stories from veterans of World War II. He asked for interested residents to call him at 481-4407. Trustee Becki Tooley also suggested contacting Liz Turner at the Monument Library.

Public works: project and grant application

The trustees unanimously approved a resolution presented by Tharnish awarding a \$299,120 contract to Wildcat Construction for the waterline upgrade. Tharnish said its bid was significantly less than the other two bidders, possibly because they had lower mobilization costs since they are already working on a number of projects in this area.

Tharnish then presented

a resolution to get \$30,000 in matching funds through a grant from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to support a water reuse study that is currently under way. The town requested federal grant assistance to perform a detailed evaluation of a potential indirect potable reuse system. The town depends heavily on nonrenewable groundwater sources and desires to develop a renewable drinking water source in order to utilize reclaimed treated wastewater in a way that is more beneficial to the town and reduce depletions of the groundwater aquifers, Tharnish said. The trustees approved the resolution unanimously.

Disbursements over \$5,000

The trustees unanimously approved these disbursements that Town Manager and Interim Town Treasurer Pamela Smith presented:

- Triview Metro District—sales tax, motor vehicle tax, regional building sales taxes, \$118,708
- Pikes Peak Regional Water Authority—PPRWA annual dues, \$5,095
- Krassa & Miller LLC—legal advice on six water cases, \$14,202

Staff reports and two executive sessions

Pesicka said that Phase 1 of Sanctuary Pointe will be presented to

the board of trustees April 6; see related Monument Planning Commission article on page 1. The Planning Department is busy with single-family residential permits for Promontory Pointe, Lake of the Rockies, and Village Center at Woodmoor.

Town Attorney Gary Shupp reported “good news,” that a U.S. District Court judge has approved the dismissal of a lawsuit involving two Monument police officers in federal court.

For the Public Works department, Tharnish’s comments included the anticipated testing of a new proactive deicer system the town could pre-apply to secondary roads before snowstorms, allowing them more time to get those roads plowed before they freeze. It’s a solution made from sugar beets and was recommended by a new resident who moved here from Ohio.

Police Chief Jake Shirk highlighted the professionalism and “international footprint” of the Monument police force. One of the town’s officers was invited to Nepal to give training to special forces teams there and did an “outstanding job.”

Smith mentioned that the audit has been rescheduled to April 21 due to a family emergency.

The meeting recessed at 10:17 p.m. for two separate executive sessions. One ses-

sion was for discussion of contract negotiations regarding the new town manager, and the other was to confer with the town attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions regarding the bulk fill water station.

Town Clerk Cynthia Sirochman reported that the executive sessions ended at 12:42 a.m. and that no announcements were made and no public items were discussed after that.

The Monument Board of Trustees usually meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month at Monument Town Hall, 645 Beacon Lite Road. Call 884-8017 or www.townofmonument.org for information. The next meeting is scheduled for April 6.

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Preliminary/Final Plat—the Carriages Filing 1; Sanctuary Pointe Preliminary/Final Plat—Filing 1; Sanctuary Pointe Preliminary/Final Plat—Filing 2 and Sanctuary Pointe Preliminary/Final PD Site Plan Phase 1. Information about what each specific proposal means for the development, as well as maps of the areas affected, can be found at http://www.townofmonument.org/meetings/planning-commission/under “March 2015 Meeting Agenda and Supporting Documentation.”

These proposals sparked a lot of discussion and concern from the public, with citizens voicing worries about the effect new housing developments could have on the view of stars at night, and whether trees cut down to make way for housing projects would be removed promptly afterward. People were also concerned about whether the temporary emergency access roads being opened until the completion of this project would be adequately placed in relation to all the houses that could make use of them, and whether construction vehicles would be

permitted to use the emergency access roads on an ordinary day.

Many of these concerns were addressed by the applicant. For instance, all the houses will need to have “dark sky compliant” lighting systems, and the emergency access roads would be off-limits to construction vehicles, because they are intended for emergencies. Newly built houses also wouldn’t clash with the current neighborhoods, because Monument requires houses to be painted in “earth tones.”

The proposals approved by the MPC will next be discussed

by the Board of Trustees.

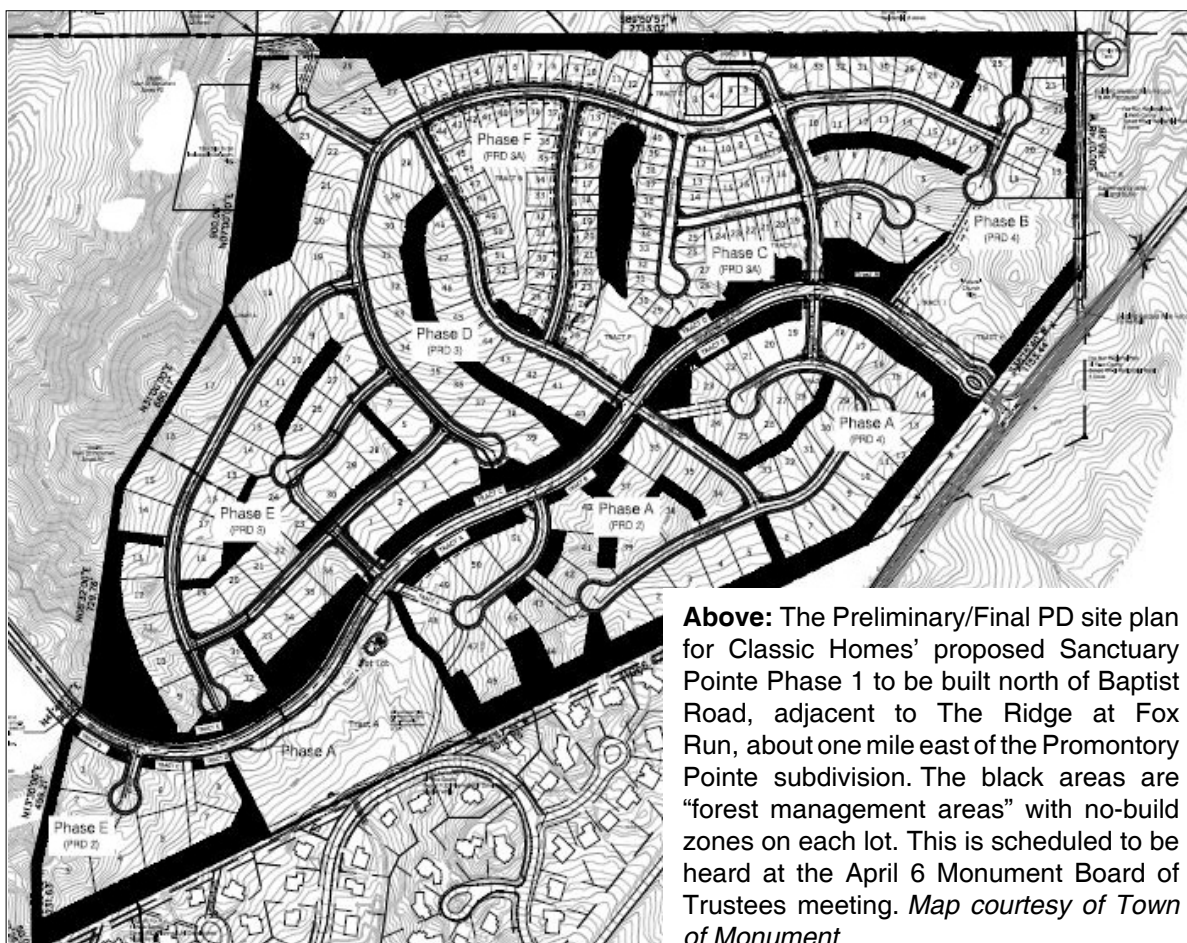
The next Monument Planning Commission meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on May 13 at 645 Beacon Lite Rd. There will be no meeting in April. Meetings are normally held on the second Wednesday of the month. Information: 884-8017 or www.townofmonument.org/meetings/

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Richard Peterson
August 11, 1965 – April 12, 2014

Hard to believe you have been gone one year.
You left us with so many wonderful memories.
You touched so many hearts and are loved so much.
Not a day goes by that you are not thought about and a tear is shed.
Loved and missed by all of your family and friends.



Above: The Preliminary/Final PD site plan for Classic Homes’ proposed Sanctuary Pointe Phase 1 to be built north of Baptist Road, adjacent to The Ridge at Fox Run, about one mile east of the Promontory Pointe subdivision. The black areas are “forest management areas” with no-build zones on each lot. This is scheduled to be heard at the April 6 Monument Board of Trustees meeting. Map courtesy of Town of Monument.

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