

# Reynolds Ranch Restoration Day!

**September 10th, 2016**  
10 am to 4 pm

A community fund raiser for the Reynolds Ranch House to restore it to its original architectural grandeur, and to help preserve Colorado History!

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institution in Monument would have to plant and maintain.

By the end of the meeting, Commissioners John Dick and Jim Fitzpatrick attempted a vote to accept the proposals as they were, but the motion lost 2-3, with David Gwisdalla, Kathy Spence, and Michelle Glover voting against. It was decided that all the various irreconcilable arguments the Planning Commission expressed for and against the landscape ordinance changes would be delivered to the Board

of Trustees for consideration. No official vote was made, so the Planning Commission made no specific adjustments to the proposed landscape ordinance changes.

Concerns raised against this proposition to lower the required number of trees included the possibility that it would decrease water use more to cut other kinds of vegetation instead of trees—given that trees take a lot of water at first, and then not as much as they age—and apprehensions for

the aesthetic beauty of Monument. Gwisdalla in particular was concerned about the town losing its unique flavor, stating that the trees are among the first things he notices coming into Monument, and it would be a pity to lose that striking quality.

Also, while Dick expressed the opinion that businesses would want to maintain attractive landscaping in order to attract customers, others in the Planning Commission did not share this belief, and feared that establish-

ments may settle for sloppy/overly minimal landscaping if not forced to do otherwise by the town.

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The next Monument Planning Commission meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 645 Beacon Lite Rd. Meetings are normally held on the second Wednesday of the month. Information: 884-8017 or <http://www.townofmonument.org/meetings/> Kate Pangelinan can be reached at [katepangelinan@ocn.me](mailto:katepangelinan@ocn.me).

## Monument Board of Trustees, Aug. 15

# Presentation on water fund audit delayed

By Lisa Hatfield

At its Aug. 15 meeting, the Monument Board of Trustees had wanted to work more on specifying the scope of work for the comprehensive audit of the town's water enterprise fund the trustees have requested, but they

delayed the planned presentation on this topic since it had not been included in the board packet or on the town website. They also approved several administrative items.

Trustees Kelly Elliott and Shea Medicott were excused.

## Next steps toward water fund comprehensive audit

After the Aug. 1 meeting, the trustees conducted a public workshop to develop a list of specific questions pertaining to the histo-

ry of the water enterprise fund so that a request for proposals for a "comprehensive" audit could be sent out to bid.

On Aug. 15, Trustee Greg Coopman's motion to amend the meeting agenda resulted in a 20-minute discussion. Coopman had two requests. He wanted the agenda to include a board discussion on items specific to the water audit requested on July 18 and discussed at the Aug. 1 workshop. He said it was agreed that they would discuss the questions with the public, but this was left off the agenda for the last two meetings.

And he wanted to delay the item, "Presentation: Water Fund Questions Received by the Board of Trustees," until its contents could be included in the board packet available to the trustees and the public before the meeting.

The consensus was that the presentation, prepared by Town Treasurer Pamela Smith from the list of questions generated at the Aug. 1 workshop, represented a lot of work. They all looked forward to having time to read about it ahead of Smith's presentation at the Tuesday, Sept. 6 meeting.

The trustees also directed staff to invite auditor Kyle Logan of Logan and Associates to clarify what he did (and did not) recommend concerning the town's water enterprise fund during his presentation about the 2015 annual audit, since each trustee remembers Logan's words differently. See [www.ocn.me/v16n7.htm#mbot-0627](http://www.ocn.me/v16n7.htm#mbot-0627).

The trustees voted unanimously to remove the Water Fund Questions presentation from tonight's meeting agenda and reschedule it, include a public discussion of the questions, and invite Logan to speak to the board, all on Sept. 6.

## Liquor license, land use, construction items

After asking the applicants a long series of questions about employee training, the trustees unanimously approved a new 3.2 percent off-premises liquor license to Saira Inc. for the new 7-Eleven store under construction at 990 W. Baptist Road. The approval is subject to approval by the State Liquor Enforcement Division.

They also unanimously approved an easement vacation to

# HISTORIC DOWNTOWN MONUMENT

# ART HOP

## Thursday, September 15

The **third Thursday** of each month, May through September, the galleries, restaurants and boutiques of historic downtown Monument stay open until 8:00PM for a celebration featuring art openings, book signings, great food, live music and other special events.

**1. Purple Mountain Jewelry**  
47 Third Street, Unit C  
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**2. Clay N Colors**  
251 Front Street, "1"  
719.487.2986

**3. Lillians**  
251 Front Street, "4"  
719.488.3550

**4. The Posh Pineapple**  
251 Front Street, "9"  
719.487.2866

**5. The Love Shop**  
251 Front Street "13"  
719.598.3348

**6. La Casa Fiesta**  
230 Front Street  
719.481.1234

**7. Bliss Studio and Gallery**  
243 1/2 Washington Street (alley access)  
719.244.8992

**8. Covered Treasures Bookstore**  
Corner of Second and Washington  
719.481.2665

**9. Santa Fe Trail Jewelry**  
106 Second Street, "A"  
719.481.0250

**10. The Roost**  
135 Second Street  
719.481.5688

**11. Bella Casa**  
155 Second Street  
719.559.4133

**12. Hangers to Hitches**  
245 North Jefferson Street  
719.488.2300

**13. The Village Merchants**  
155 North Jefferson Street  
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