



To: Mayor and Town Council  
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager  
Date: August 16, 2019  
Re: Info Update

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- The Marketing, Group Sales and Special Events Board (aka the Tourism Board) met this week to review budget proposals, progress made on past goals and to set some new goals for the upcoming year(s). The discussion was wide ranging (airport, special events, housing, connectivity, parking, marketing and sales were a few topics) and exceptionally useful. The Board's considerable effort will be applied and detailed in the creation of the upcoming business plan and 2020 budget.
- Three steps forward and one step back. The HVAC system project in the Recreation Center is nearing completion. The units are on the roof and installation is continuing. HVAC system testing is expected to start next week. While making progress with the HVAC system itself, there was, once again, water damage to the gym floor (this time the water came in from the outside). Go ahead, say it with me; \*&\*^%#\* @%\$\*\*#. To their credit, the contractor is taking responsibility for the incident. While we don't yet know the full extent of the damage, with the (way too much) experience we have in this area, at least a partial floor replacement is expected.
- We are expecting to receive our first application for a retail marijuana store next week.
- The Town Council will have a land use hearing to review the Coffey Place Project on Monday. Following the formal land use review, staff will update the Town Council on the issues that fall outside of the land use review such as financing and pricing of the project.
- Budget season is still underway. Yeah! And just to put a cherry on top of all these numbers, the Finance Advisory Board will be meeting with the Town Auditors (Eide Bailly) next week to review the 2018 Financial Statement.
- School starts next week. And next week is our last Thursday night concert of the season.
- Design efforts are continuing forward with the Town's solar and hydro projects. As designs continue to get engineered and finalized, some of the layouts on facilities have changed. An administrative public hearing was held this week to allow community members to comment on the layouts.
- We received approval from the Feds for a \$297K operating grant for the Town Shuttle.

- Ski Co's Upload for the Download Event has been scheduled for the afternoon of Friday September 13. Our very own Mayor will be speaking at the event. Of course, all the other cool kids will be there too.
- Sales tax revenue was up 11% for June and is up 15% for the year. Lodging tax was up 7% for June and is up 15% year-to-date.
- The County is continuing forward with its public input process regarding potential future changes at the airport. They have asked the various committees to investigate and weigh in on some very critical issues. It appears that the process remains on track to give a recommendation to the BOCC by the end of the year.
- Speaking of the airport, here are a few numbers to mull over from July:  
Total Scheduled Seats were up 17.7% over last year. Overall Completion percentage in July was 98% this year versus 83.3% last year (the Lake Christine Fire impacted last year). Total passengers flown: 63,664 arriving and departing, another new all-time July record for ASE. Overall Load Factor: 75.3% this year versus 72.8% last year.

CC: Department Directors