



To: Mayor and Town Council  
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager  
Date: July 24, 2020  
Re: Info Update

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#### COVID UPDATE

Knock on wood (and at the risk of jinxing this), to date the Town has had zero employees test positive for COVID-19. Luck likely has something to do with it, since statistically there has been a rise in cases in Pitkin, Eagle and Garfield counties. However, I think our diligence in following the Five Commitments to Containment is absolutely helping to create as safe of a working environment as possible. Employee health, wellness and safety continues to be our top priority. Without a healthy staff, we can't do our jobs. The Town currently employees 172 folks (including part time). Here are some facts/stats...

- Since March 16, the Town has had 14 employees take time off from work due to being COVID symptomatic. Zero of those employees tested positive for COVID-19.
- Since March 16, six employees have had a spouse be tested for COVID-19. Zero of those spouses have tested positive (one spouse's results are pending).
- Since March 16, one employee's child tested positive for COVID-19. This employee's family was quarantined, had not worked at the Town in several days prior to the test results. Regardless, extra cleaning measures were taken.
- Anytime an employee has been symptomatic, extra cleaning measures have been taken in that employee's department.

At the risk of being obvious, this is a world-wide pandemic and at some point we will have a colleague test positive. We believe we have solid procedures that govern how to address each issue. That said, this is our first time dealing with a pandemic, so we are continuing to study and refine our protocols. We are committed to making adjustments as necessary to keep everyone as safe as possible.

#### TID BITS

- We continue to work on ways to improve our Box It In strategy. County wide, from July 9th through July 22 contact tracers have identified 114 contacts. Of those, 92 have been cooperative, 18 have not answered attempts to contact, and 2 have been actively non-compliant. As the County continues to add staff to address this process we believe we will continue to see improved compliance.
- Municipal election season is fast approaching. Candidate nomination petitions can be picked up starting August 4. They are due back on August 24. Democracy is an awesome invention; as long as smart, caring people are willing to serve.
- We are continuing to develop solutions for the Owl Creek crossing at the Gambel Way bus stop, the Little Red Schoolhouse crosswalk and Fairway Drive. In order to meet the

differing summer and winter demands of each location, we believe having each “intersection” operate independently and receive a set of rapid flash beacons is likely the best solution. Design is currently being worked on. Because of ordering timelines, the installation of the three sets of RFB likely won’t occur until October.

- No shocker, but due to COVID we don’t plan to serve s’mores this winter.
- While the drive-in concert (and movie) were executed very well, and were a really good time, we didn’t have great turnout for either event. We will be evaluating their future in the coming week.
- Physical distancing on public transit continues to be an expensive issue. Contact tracing does not show transmission on the bus service, so we believe we are being very safe. Ridership on the Shuttle is averaging about 230 ish a day.
- Due diligence on the Snowmass Inn continues; the appraisal, environmental testing, financial disclosures, and building inspections continue.
- Coffey Place homes are mostly out of the ground. We have one more foundation to dig.
- We are working with the State Department of Local Affairs to create a more formal rental assistance program using funds from the CARES Act for rental assistance. We currently have about 25 -30 units (less than 10%) behind on rent; this is much more than normal. Hopefully we will get this new program off the ground and greatly reduce delinquencies.
- A water line project on Meadow Road is set to start August 3 and run through September 18.
- The EAB is looking at the existing Sustainability Plan and working to develop an update that goes beyond the 2020 goal of a 20% reduction of carbon.
- We are looking at more locations for solar electric vehicle charging stations
- We started the interview process for Community Development Director this week.
- We increased the “slot availability” for workout times at the Recreation Center this week in order to better accommodate the demand. We also started charging people that make a reservation but don’t show up.
- SkiCo is hosting a bike race this weekend on the Rim Trail, Sky Mountain Park, Tom Blake and other resort trails.
- The POSTR Board plans to review the latest iteration of the Town Park design project next week. We think this newest design incorporates the vast majority of input received from the last go around.
- Speaking of Town Park, JAS announced they plan to be at Town Park for the 2021 Labor Day show.
- This summer’s fire mitigation program will begin next month. Vegetation thinning performed by the Swift Crew is scheduled to be in Snowmass August 5-7<sup>th</sup>. They will be working on the Brush Creek open space (aka, the school site). They will also be tackling the areas along the Owl Creek Trail by Burnt Mtn Road / Two Creeks, along the Brush Creek Trail between Creekside and Wood Road, the Town parcel below Carriage Way Housing and open space near Vidal Gulch.
- The Love a Local Voucher Program is on-going. Be sure to use the voucher before July 31. The number of redeemed vouchers is below. The Mayor’s Taskforce has recommended a second round of vouchers be issues. Details to come.

<b>Cut-Off Summary</b>	<b>81615</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total Redeem</b>	<b>Amount</b>		
<b>7-Jul</b>	110	121	231	<b>\$ 5,775.00</b>		
<b>14-Jul</b>	46	47	93	<b>\$ 2,325.00</b>		
<b>21-Jul</b>	68	108	176	<b>\$ 4,400.00</b>		
<b>28-Jul</b>	0	0	0	<b>\$ -</b>		
<b>4-Aug</b>	0	0	0	<b>\$ -</b>		
<b>7-Aug</b>	0	0	0	<b>\$ -</b>		
<b>Total</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>\$ 12,500.00</b>		

CC: Department Directors

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