



To: Mayor and Town Council
From: Clint Kinney, Town Manager
Date: May 29, 2024
Re: Info Update

EARLY EDITION

Lauren is graduating on Saturday (caution Dad brag ahead....) with a 4.2 GPA, so I am planning to be out of the office a lot on Thursday and Friday getting ready for the family to arrive.

KRABLOONIK

We are continuing to make good progress on the Krabloonik site. By Friday afternoon, all of the dogs will have been rehomed, so no dogs will be on site. Because of this success, we have administratively granted Krabloonik an additional 2 weeks to complete the site cleanup. With their focus on rehoming dogs, they fell behind in their other obligations. As a sign of good faith and in recognition of their success in adopting out the dogs, we thought this extension was reasonable and in everyone's best interest.

LET'S CONTINUE TO INCREASE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Town is hosting a "Business After Hours" event from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on June 5 at Collective Hall in Base Village. Join the Snowmass business community (aka, the real cool kids) for refreshments and networking. This free event is intended to provide Snowmass Village business owners and their guests an opportunity to promote their business in an informal atmosphere, make new contacts, meet their neighbors. It will be a great opportunity for Council members to informally hear what is going on in the business community.

NOT SHOCKING NEWS

With the way DAV, Easter, and NASTAR fell in April, we knew it was going to be good occupancy month. We had a 42% occupancy rate, 30% higher than last April. Aspen only achieved a 35% rate. While April skiing seems like a long time ago, these numbers are a very positive reflection on our very concerted efforts to place events in historically slower parts of the season in order to keep occupancy, and business activity, up.

TOWN PARK PROJECT

Town Park is on a race to the finish..... literally. Our annual RAGNAR running race is set to begin their setup on June 5 and the site WILL BE ready for them. Prior to the first rodeo on June 19, electrical work, grading work, and landscaping work will continue. The arena is looking very new and official, the cook tents will be going up soon. Ride'em cowboy.

IT'S OFFICIAL, WE'RE CLEAN

The Finance Advisory Board completed their review of the annual audit. As previously reported, the Audit was clean as a whistle and the FAB found that the financial statements can be relied upon. (Allow me to translate) That is finance/accountant speak for "Good Job". Under a separate e-mail, I will forward to the Council the FAB's resolution approving the audit, the financial statement, the management analysis and the governance letter. Please let me or Marianne know if you have any questions. Again, a big congrats to the Finance Team.

TID BITS

- Highline Road will be completed by June 20. Over the course of the next weeks, different sections will be open and closed for separate paving operations. When it's all done, we will have a widened surface, improved utilities, and happy drivers/ bikers/walkers.
- We are making good progress on developing a Letter of Intent with the County to (potentially) build a mini library (the draft LOI refers to it as a library station) adjacent to the Recreation Center. While details are still being developed, it looks as though we will be donating the land, the County will be paying for construction, and we will be splitting on-going operations costs. The County plans to present the draft LOI to the Library Board first. Once their input is incorporated, we will bring the document to the BOCC and Town Council for consideration.
- Speaking of the County, we have reached out to them to learn more about their idea of a property tax increase to help fund workforce housing. We have let them know that we are ready to partner with them.
- Summer is upon us. Guest Services staff is operating the information centers at both Town Park Station and the Snowmass Mall. The Skittles will be operating on a limited basis, until we go to daily operation on June 13. New this summer, we will keep operating the Skittles until 10 PM Thursday through Saturday in order to better accommodate weekend crowds for restaurants and bars. Summer bus service starts on June 3.
- If you hear giggling in Town facilities, it's because budget season is getting close.
- Wildfire mitigation is continuing forward. I have included one before and an after image below. The work along Brush Creek is expected to be done soon (maybe this week). We will then be working with the Fire Authority to determine what is our best next project.
- We should have an application to split the Faraway Housing into two parcels completed soon. This split will create the parcel for the School District to sell to the Town.
- As you may have read in the paper, a land use application has been submitted by the Snowmass Club. It is a pre-sketch application. This means that this review is NOT quasi-judicial and will allow for a free ranging discussion. Once scheduled, it will be a joint meeting between the Planning Commission and Town Council to hear from the applicant and for the applicant to hear from the Town.
- An application to expand the Lynn Britt Cabin will be on the June 5 Planning Commission agenda.
- The Snowmass Inn roof repair will start in June.

- Rudd Construction is finishing up the final punch list on the Mountain View project.
- TAC Fitness is opening in Base Village.

CC: Department Directors

