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TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Travis Elliott, Town Manager
CC: TOP Staff
DATE: January 6, 2023
RE: Info Update

TID BITS:

- We posted two RFPs for two large capital projects on Wednesday. One is for the Cardinal Way sidewalk and streetscape improvements. The other is for the fleet fuel station. Interested firms and contractors can find the details on our website, and it will also be advertised in the Post Independent. Bids are due back by early February.
- Speaking of the Post Independent, they recently ran our press release to introduce and welcome Mike Markus to the community.
- The Police Department is coordinating with other agencies in the county to plan a drug burn and dispose of confiscated prescription and other drugs.
- The final 2023 budget book has been finalized and is available on our website. If you would like a hard copy for your own reference, please let us know.
- The newest addition to our fleet of Town equipment, a public works truck, is finally ready for pick up in Idaho. Mr. King will be flying out to go get it next week. This purchase was budgeted in 2022 as a normal capital equipment replacement.
- Speaking of public works trucks, our fleet and crews of snow plows handled the recent snow storm very well and kept the streets clear. Let it snow!
- As of right now, there are no agenda items scheduled for the Planning Commission meeting on 1/12 and the meeting is tentatively cancelled.
- There is a Town Council meeting on Thursday, January 19th.
- Several grant applications will be due in late February / early March for the GCFMLD, AGNC, and CDOT. We are planning on putting together several applications over the coming weeks.
- We received a initial draft of CPS's code assessment report. We will be meeting to review it together and develop recommendations in the near future. Any potential code revisions will need to be adopted by the Planning Commission and Town Council.
- Our new development, application, and other fees went into effect January 1st.
- Our utility rate increases won't go into effect until June 1st. Details on the amount of the utility rate increases are available on our website, and we will be working to communicate this pending increase to our customers.

- The new wayfinding signs and street signs are being installed around Town. We are waiting on a few more to arrive before we are finished.
- We are meeting with our consultant, Polco, to kickoff the 2023 community survey next week.
- Staff continued their review of the Trails Plan this week. We provided several comments back to CPS, and are making initial plans to host a public open house in the next couple of months.
- We will begin the process of moving to the new, more secure, URL of www.parachute.gov in 2023. All of the previous urls and our email addresses will continue to work, but this new URL will be more identifiable and secure for us in the future.
- Upcoming Meetings and Events:
(please let us know if you plan to attend so we can track public noticing requirements)
 - Garfield County Swearing In Ceremony – Tuesday, January 10th
 - Parachute Pick Up – April 28 – 29, 2023 – Cottonwood Park
 - Wasson McKay Park Grand (RE)Opening – Thursday, May 4, 2023
 - Rockmageddon – June 1 – 4, 2023
 - Summer Staff Family Barbecue – Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 5:30pm – Cottonwood Park