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TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Travis Elliott, Town Manager
CC: TOP Staff
DATE: June 24, 2022
RE: Info Update

LOVES IS UNDERWAY

Although they haven't officially broken ground, Loves contractors have been on site this week mobilizing equipment and preparing the site for construction. You will continue to see equipment arriving on site through the weekend and into next week. They have a few days of site prep and ground clearing to do, and they expect to begin moving dirt next week. They are working closely with Terra Energy to resolve some of the well pad issues that were recently identified, and at this point, it doesn't appear those issues will cause a significant delay.

TOO MUCH ADVENTURE

The GJ Adventures team that took over TOP Adventures has not had much luck renting the OHVs. They have not been able to find affordable and adequate insurance coverage, and there have already been numerous issues to some of their rentals. At this point, they are planning to return the OHVs to the Town and focus on the river rental operations. We will keep the Council updated.

TID BITS:

- We received a referral notice this week from Garfield County for Xcel energy to replace their transmission line from Una to DeBeque.
- As discussed at the last Council meeting, we are working on getting updated and new signage for the rules at the Splash Pad.
- We recently helped the PA at their clean up day to upgrade the fairgrounds. They look great.
- We are working with the CDOT main street program to extend our grant for the Wasson McKay park project. Before we can do so, we are submitting a reimbursement for the work done to date – a total of approximately \$40,000. Overall, the project remains on budget.
- A local law enforcement TAG team, along with our Parachute Police Department, made a significant drug bust at the Cottonwood Apartments recently. Meth and fentanyl was recovered, and the bad guy is behind bars.
- Speaking of getting drugs off the streets, our police department and the Sheriff's Office will be doing a drug burn on Saturday (tomorrow).

- We will be putting some fleet up for sale in the near future through a third-party auctioning website. We will advertise everything once posted, and please help us spread the word.
- The Sheriff's Office will be coordinating an active shooter drill at the GVHS next week, 6/29. Our Police Department will be participating in the training.
- We are continuing to have numerous irrigation issues. Our Public Works crew have been flushing lines and attempting to track down pressure issues in the Tells Meadows neighborhood.
- We should have a draft audit report in the next few weeks. It will be available for Council review at the July meeting. Please contain your excitement.
- Local realtor and community member Cheryl Chandler is busy renovating the empty building at 135 1st Street. In addition to offices in the building, she is proposing the Town lease space for a community center / co work room. The lot next door will be used for a food truck court. We are working out the details and will bring any proposal to the Town Council for review.
- Upcoming Meetings and Events:
(please let us know if you plan to attend so we can track public noticing requirements)
 - Grand Valley Days will be August 19, 20, and 21st