

Town of Columbine Valley

Spring 2006

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From the Mayor:

Following the Town's General Election of April 4th and its transition for a new term the following appointments have been made:

TRUSTEES:

Mayor Pro-Tem and Public Safety	K. Mason Howard
Building Commissioner	Don Slack
Finance	John Fischer
Planning and Zoning	Gale Christy
Public Works	Pete Grimm
Special Affairs	Jim Newland

TOWN STAFF:

Town Administrator	Ann Jennings
Court Clerk/Accounting	Dana Struthers
Treasurer	Jeff Tempas
Town Marshall	Bret Cottrell
Town Attorney	Lee Schiller
Municipal Court Judge	Jim Keil
Municipal Court Judge	Mike Montgomery

We believe our strength is to build upon both prior administration agendas and long-range community visions for the enhancement of the Town. While we have historically worked to make major infrastructure improvements such as the perimeter wall, drainage abatement and the signalization of Fairway Lane at Platte Canyon, there will always be a need to focus on other maintenance and improvement initiatives.

Members of the Board of Trustees sincerely appreciate the voter turn out for the election and the enthusiasm it generated and look forward to working on behalf of the citizens. Please feel free to contact the Town Office or any of the Trustees regarding issues or concerns you may have.

—James McShane, Mayor

Annual Spring Clean Up

Once again, the Town encourages all of you to take advantage of the large trash dumpsters being brought in May 18th through May 20th. One will be placed in the tennis court parking lot at the Country Club and another one in the tennis court parking lot at Burning Tree. Allied Waste will deliver the dumpsters Thursday early afternoon and pick them up mid-afternoon Saturday. You may dispose of most items including yard waste, but, please **NO hazardous materials**. Many common products found in your home such as oil-based paint, mercury, gasoline, degreasers, cleaning compounds and garden chemicals may be hazardous and they should be used and disposed of properly. You may call Arapahoe County Disposal Service, for Littleton, at (303) 795-3834. For more information you can look on the internet for the Tri-County Health Department at www.tchd.org and click on "Environmental Health Services" and then go to "Household Chemical Roundup". Please do not put electronics, refrigerators or other major appliances in or around the dumpsters.



PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE TOWN OF COLUMBINE VALLEY MASTER PLAN

Municipalities are authorized by Colorado Statutes to adopt advisory Master Plans for the organized and efficient development of the municipality, and may amend, extend or add to the Master Plan from time to time.

The Town's Planning and Zoning Commission in 2005 and in early 2006 completely revised the Master Plan of the Town of Columbine Valley. That revised Master Plan will be presented at a Public Hearing before the Town of Columbine Valley Planning and Zoning commission on May 9, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., for public input and comment.

A master Plan with accompanying maps, charts and descriptive matters, shows the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation for the development of the community, which include but are not limited to: general location, character and extent of proposed streets, roads and rights-of-way; location of open space; a zoning plan for control of the height, area, location and use of buildings, including densities and utilities.

The Plan provides a vision for the Town; defines regulatory activity; established parameters for future development, and guides recommendations by the Planning and Zoning Commission and decision making by the Town Board of Trustees, in the governance functions.

After the Public Hearing and any subsequent modifications to the Master Plan, as a result of the Public Hearing, the master Plan will be presented for approval by the Board of Trustees.

You are encouraged to participate in this process, both by reviewing the Master Plan draft available at the Town Hall, and by your attendance and input at the Public Hearing.

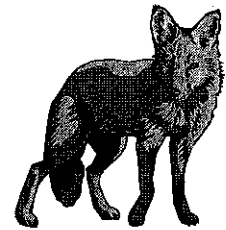


Mosquito Control

The Town is taking a proactive approach once again to the mosquito problem we have been having for a couple of years now. Colorado Mosquito Control will again be spraying the Town and if any resident should have health, environment or philosophical concerns about the spraying, you may request to be contacted by CMC. The phone number is (303) 558-8730 and you may request to be put on a no spray list. You may also contact them via email at info@comosquitocontrol.com or go to their website www.comosquitocontrol.com for more information.

Coyotes

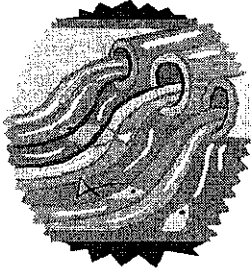
The Town is aware of coyotes roaming around our community. Remember that Columbine Valley is adjacent to a Wildlife Preserve. Be extremely careful and **DO NOT feed them**. The coyotes cannot distinguish between the food you provide and your pets. Make sure your pets are indoors, and supervised when they are outdoors, especially at night.



Golf Cart Rules

Golf carts may be driven by persons under the age of 16 if accompanied by a person 16 years of age or older and must have a headlight for night operation; electric & gas scooters are not allowed in Columbine Valley & will be strictly enforced; motorized bicycles under 50cc may only be driven by a valid licensed driver & anything over 50cc requires a valid motorcycle license and must have a valid license plate. We have had several complaints regarding these issues & intend to strictly enforce these ordinances.

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) - Storm Water Drainage



Remember....water picks up everything.

Remember....water flows to our rivers, streams, and creeks.

Do your part to keep our water clean. Dumping liquid or solid waste into a storm drain or creek is illegal. You can report this type of dumping to Arapahoe County at (303) 795-4640.

Here's a few tips for keeping our water clean:

- **Recycle yard waste**, such as leaves, grass clippings, and weeds, by composting. Remove dead leaves promptly, so that they don't wash into the storm drains during rains.
- **Mow your grass frequently.** Frequent mowing can help the grass choke out weeds. Mow frequently enough to avoid cutting off more than one inch (1") of the grass blade.
- **Avoid over watering.** Over watering isn't healthy for your lawn. It wastes water and the excess runoff can carry pollution into the storm drainage system. Check with the local water department or county extension service for watering tips.
- **Use alternatives to insecticides and pesticides.** Consider using non-chemical methods for controlling pests. For example, you can use beneficial insects such as ladybugs. Ask your lawn care company if they offer Integrated Pest Management (IPM) services as an alternative to harmful chemicals.
- **Store your lawn and garden chemicals properly.** Store insecticides, herbicides, fertilizer, and gasoline in a secure, covered area to prevent accidental poisonings and contamination of runoff.
- **Dispose of lawn and garden chemicals properly.** Use your local recycling center (where available). Take advantage of local household chemical roundups. Buy only what you need. Never pour chemicals into the storm drains—it is illegal and it pollutes the water.

TOWN DIRECTORY

Use this form if there are corrections that need to be made in the 2006 Directory and return to the Town office. Please notify us if you are going to be out of town during the month of January by marking the appropriate box below. You may pick up your directory in the Town office upon your return.

NEW RESIDENTS please complete this form & return to the Town office. If you do not wish to be listed in the directory, please mark the box "Do Not Publish" below. We will keep your information for our records only, to be used in case of an emergency.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

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OUT OF TOWN IN JANUARY