

# COLUMBINEVALLEYVOICE

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## From the Mayor:

In April, the Town's Board of Trustees will say a very fond farewell to Trustee Dave Cope, as his second term on the Board expires. Dave has been a Trustee for 8 years and has been responsible for leading the Town's outstanding financial team alongside Town Treasurer, Jeff Tempas, CPA and staff member Dana Struthers. Under their guidance, we have positioned the Town to be in excellent financial shape for years to come and I thank Dave for his skill and dedication and wish him a well-deserved bon voyage into his new world without Town politics.

And speaking of financial issues, the Town anticipates a revenue infusion over the next several years as a result from the Wild Plum building and impact fees. The Trustees wish to utilize these funds in a capital improvement plan for the future needs of the Town. Although the plan is in its formative stage, the Trustees know it's important to earmark this opportunity for our Town's future infrastructure and capital needs. Road construction is amazingly expensive and unfortunately, our infrastructure forecasts outline the long-term need to reconstruct many of our existing roads. What better way to help with this improvement than to set aside funds to help pay for these anticipated costs. More to come on this issue.

Lastly, in addition to the development of Wild Plum, spring and summer always see an increase in construction activities throughout the Town. Please be careful and patient and watch out for our children. Slow down and be safe.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the Town's concerts in the park and 4th of July events this summer.

### MAYOR & BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Richard Champion, Mayor  
(Term Expires April 2018)

Dave Cope, Mayor Pro Tem  
Trustee (Finance)  
(Term Expires April 2018)

Kathy Boyle,  
Trustee (Building)  
(Term Expires April 2018)

Gale Christy,  
Trustee (Community Affairs)  
(Term Expires April 2020)

Bill Dotson,  
Trustee (Planning)  
(Term Expires April 2018)

Bruce Menk,  
Trustee (Public Safety)  
(Term Expires April 2018)

Roy Palmer,  
Trustee (Public Works)  
(Term Expires April 2020)

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## WILD PLUM DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

On February 12, Lennar completed its merger with CalAtlantic, the developer of Wild Plum. At this time, the merger is not anticipated to impact the development scheduled or design of Wild Plum in any way. The Town will continue to monitor the situation as progress continues.

The new wall along the north side of Hunter Run Lane is complete and the temporary traffic signal has been installed at the intersection of Hunter Run and Thoroughbred. The 13 Tuck family buildings on the property have been demolished and earth work and grading has begun.

The Town and Lennar are dedicated to keeping the construction of Wild Plum as unobtrusive as possible on existing Columbine Valley residents. As a part of this effort, the Town has brought on a contract employee, Joanna Czarnecka to serve as the Senior Construction Manager. Joanna's job will be to ensure that Lennar and its team adhere to the final development plan, design guidelines, construction management plan, and town municipal code as they construct Wild Plum.

### Wild Plum Schedule—as of March 2018

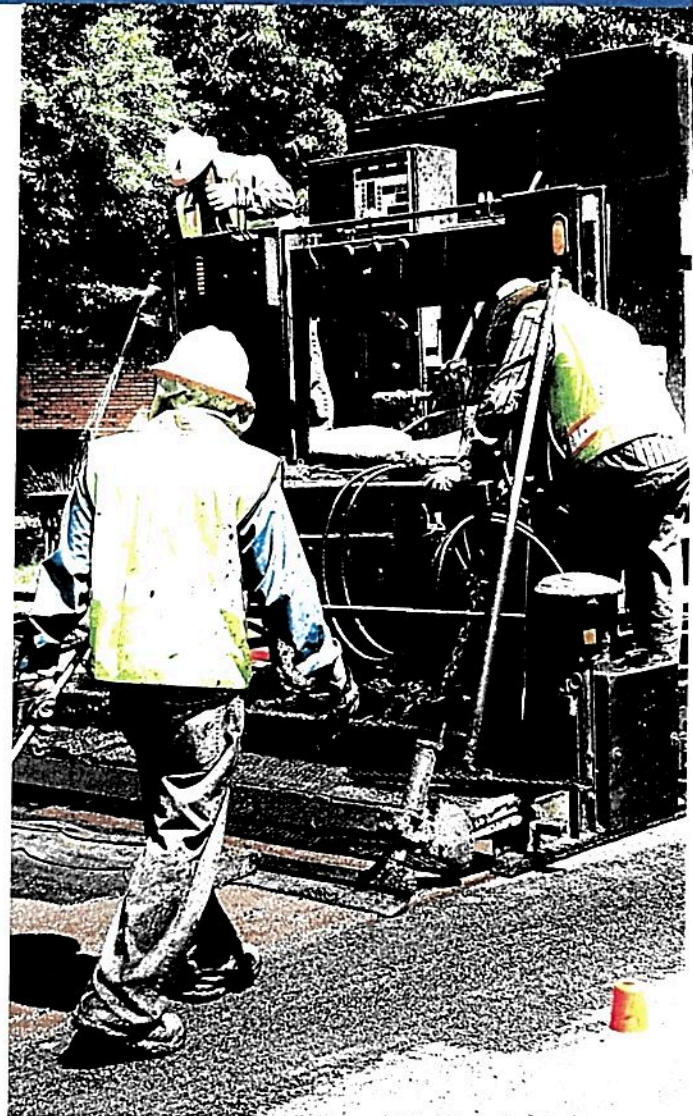
Grading and Earthwork	Start February (2 months)
Pipe and Sewer Installation	Start in April (2 months)
Concrete and Gutter Installation	Start in June (2-3 weeks)
Road and Asphalt	Start end of June (3 weeks)
Begin Landscape Installation	Summer/Fall
Begin Construction on Model Homes	Summer/Fall
Fairway Lane Widening Improvements	May/June
Platte Canyon/Hunter Run Improvements	Start 30 days after CDOT approval. Lennar anticipates completion late spring



## CV Street Program —PAVE '18

One of the Town's priorities is to maintain an infrastructure that prioritizes safety, enhances mobility, and preserves the character of Columbine Valley. The Town's 9+ miles of asphalt roadways are one of the most important public assets with a replacement value of over \$10 million. The Town has a long established management program in place to maintain, repair, and replace the roads based on engineering criteria established by a consortium of local governments.

The Town is now entering the 5<sup>th</sup> and final year of a multi-year plan to bring current maintenance work on every road in Columbine Valley. Repairs and slurry seals were completed in the Burning Tree and The Village in 2014 and similar work was completed in Polo Meadows, Brookhaven, the Columbine Villas and Country Club Villas in 2015. Slurry seals and other road repair work on Wedge Way, Niblick Lane, Middlefield Road, and the back stretch of Fairway Lane starting at Brassie Way was completed in 2016 and last year the focus was on Fairway Lane, Club Lane, and the rest of Middlefield Road. This year, the Town will look to complete work on Fairway Lane, including the stretch between Platte Canyon and the Country Club, and along the Wild Plum development. Planning is in its early stages and more information will be presented as it becomes available.



## LITTLETON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT/SOUTH METRO FIRE MERGER

At their February meeting, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution supporting Ballot Question A, to appear in an election on May 8, 2018 to receive approval from the eligible voters within Littleton Fire Protection District to expand South Metro Fire's jurisdictional boundaries to their area. The Inclusion Election is the first step in the proposed unification of South Metro and Littleton FPD.

LFPD covers 80,000 residents in Columbine Valley, Bow Mar, the area around Chatfield Reservoir, the western portion of Centennial, and a large area of unincorporated Arapahoe County west of the Littleton city limits. The district owns three fire stations and shares ownership of a fourth with the city, according to a news release. The district's stations are staffed by firefighters from Littleton Fire Rescue, which is the City of Littleton's firefighting agency. South Metro Fire Rescue is a large consolidated district that provides fire protection services to a vast area in the southeast metro area suburbs, including Parker, Lone Tree, Greenwood Village, Castle Pines and a large chunk of Centennial.

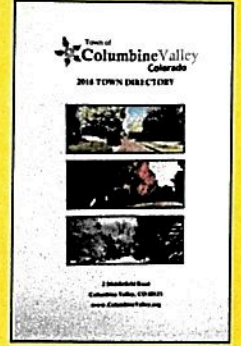
The Columbine Valley Board of Trustees understand the need for essential services, financial certainty and stability in the management of a governmental entity; and believe it to be in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Columbine Valley in general to support this ballot proposal.

For more information visit: [littletonfireprotectiondistrict.org](http://littletonfireprotectiondistrict.org) or [southmetro.org](http://southmetro.org).

## 2018 Town Directories

Town Directories have been mailed to all Columbine Valley households and additions, deletions and corrections are included on this page.

If you did not receive your directory, or are a new resident and are not in the Directory, please email Dana Struthers at [dstruthers@ColumbineValley.org](mailto:dstruthers@ColumbineValley.org) with your name, address and phone number.





## CONCERTS IN THE PARK

The Town of Columbine Valley is excited to announce the 2018 Summer Concerts in the Park series, sponsored by Vectra Bank.

This summer on **June 28, July 19 and August 9**, Columbine Valley residents are invited to enjoy a great line up of musical entertainment and food truck vendors at Columbine Park at Town Hall.

These events are for the whole family, so mark your calendars, ready your picnic blankets and lawn chairs and invite your friends. Additional details will be announced soon.

## SPRING CLEANING EVENT

The **semi-annual dumpsters** will be placed in the parking lot at Town Hall from noon, Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> until noon on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. No **LANDSCAPE MATERIALS** or **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** are allowed. Such materials include oil-based paint, mercury, gasoline, de-greaser, cleaning compounds and garden chemicals. The Town offers an event in the fall at which these products can be safely disposed of.

Please do not put electronics, refrigerators or other major appliances in the dumpsters. The Town will have a recycler on hand to take away any of these items you want to get rid of. He will also take away these items throughout the year. The Town office will be the collection site but please call first to ensure the items you have are eligible for this program. There is a fee for television recycling: \$20 under 26"/\$50 for 26"+.

Vehicle batteries, tires and oil should never be disposed of in your home trash container or dumpster, or poured into any type of drain. These materials can be easily recycled instead. Most automotive shops and stores accept car batteries and used motor oil for recycling at no charge. Car tires may be recycled at tire shops when you purchase new tires.

The semiannual shred-event will be held on June 23. Look for more information in the summer newsletter.

## PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE-BACK DAY

The Town of Columbine Valley will host a prescription drug collection point at the Town Offices on April 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 2 PM. The event is designed to significantly reduce the prescription drugs in homes that are either no longer needed or outdated/expired. Medications should never be disposed of in your water evacuation systems, or given to others the medication was not intended. Law enforcement is the only entity legally able to accept these medications and process them properly so that they do not fall into the wrong hands.

**Please drop off your unused or expired medications at Town Hall on April 28<sup>th</sup> between 10 AM to 2 PM to a uniformed Columbine Valley police officer for proper and safe disposal of these drugs so they don't become a future problem.**

## DATES TO KNOW

- **Mar 20:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **Apr 10:** P & Z Commission Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **Apr 17:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **Apr 28:** Drug Take Back Event
- **May 8:** P & Z Commission Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **May 16:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **May 17-19:** Spring Clean Dumpster Event
- **May 28:** Town Hall Closed—Memorial Day

*Please check with Town Hall for any changes, additions or cancelations*

## TOWN STAFF

J.D. McCrumb  
Town Administrator

Lee Schiller  
Town Attorney

Bret Cottrell  
Chief of Police

Jeff Tempas  
Town Treasurer

Dana Struthers  
Court Clerk/Accounting

Phil Sieber  
Town Planner

Stephanie Thelen  
Admin Assistant

Brent Kaslon  
Assistant Planner

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Town Engineer

Joanna Czarnecka  
Senior Construction Manager



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## MUNICIPAL ELECTION CANCELLED

The town of Columbine Valley's April 3 municipal election has been canceled due to a lack of candidates. Per Colorado law, if the number of candidates filing for office is equal or less than the number needed to fill the positions, the election may be cancelled.

The deadline to file candidate petitions was on January 22. At that time the town had received three petitions for the available Board of Trustee seats and one petition for the mayor's seat.

The three candidates who filed petitions for town Trustees are incumbents Kathy Boyle, Bill Dotson, and Bruce Menk. Current Mayor Richard Champion was the only candidate to file for Mayor. Current council members David Cope was term limited and could not run again.

The three returning Trustees will serve 4-year terms and the Mayor will serve a 2-year term. They will be sworn in at the April 17 Board of Trustees meeting.