



# LARKSPUR NEWS

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## FROM MAYOR GERRY BEEN

Contratulations to Paul Bowers and his lovely wife on their recent marriage.

### COUNCIL MEETING DATES IN MAY

Joint Council-Planning Commission Meeting, May 3, 2018, 6:00 pm @ Town Hall, sign code discussion.

Parks & Rec Board Meeting, May 8, 2018, 4:30 pm @ Town Hall

Regular Council Meeting, May 14, 2018, 6:00 pm @ Town Hall

Planning Commission Meeting, May 14, 2018, 2:00 pm @ Annex

The Douglas County Sheriff's office uses Twitter to send out emergency messages. If you want to receive this information from the sheriff's office, you will need to set up a Twitter account.

There will be a Public Workshop May 10, 2018, related to the Town of Larkspur's Nuisance Code. It will be held at Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. Your input is needed. If you cannot attend, PLEASE provide your comments/feedback to Town Hall staff.

## Council Meeting Motions & Votes, April 5, 2018

Present: Mayor Gerry Been, Mayor Pro-Tem Matias Cumsille, Heather Sanchez, Isaac Levy, Jeremiah Holmes, Jennelle Waggle, Sandy McKeown and Councilmembers Elect: Tabitha Parks and Paul Bowers

- Motion to approve regular council meeting minutes for March 15, 2018. Passed 7-0-0.
- Motion to appoint Jeremiah Holmes as the new Mayor Pro-tem. Passed 7-0-0.
- Motion to allow use of the Town's slash pile, located inside the gate at the Town maintenance yard, for Town residents to dispose of unwanted household items not permitted for disposal in the Town dump and directing Town staff to define and regulate permissible items and issue permits. Passed 6-0-1.
- Motion to approve Resolution 18-07, A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE TOWN OF LARKSPUR. Passed 7-0-0.
- Motion to approve Ordinance 3.124, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING EXECUTION OF A CORRECTION QUIT CLAIM DEED FROM THE TOWN OF LARKSPUR TO WEEPING WILLOW POND, LLC. Passed 7-0-0.
- Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Passed 7/0/0.

## Council Meeting Motions & Votes, April 19, 2018

Present: Mayor Gerry Been, Mayor Pro-Tem Jeremiah Holmes, Heather Sanchez, Tabitha Parks, Paul Bowers and Isaac Levy

- Motion to approve regular council meeting minutes for April 5, 2018. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to approve payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$38,480.91. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to approve payment of Water & Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$29,506.91. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to approve Resolution 18-08, A RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES WITHIN THE 2018 AMOUNTS BUDGETED FOR THE TOWN OF LARKSPUR, COLORADO. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to place a lien in the amount of \$675.07 on the property at 8885 Spruce Mountain Road for unpaid 2011 engineering services. Passed 4-1-1.
- Motion to write off \$323.52 of water and sewer late payment penalties assessed to Chris Vigil, Vigil's Mexican Restaurant, between January and October 2013 with the stipulation that Chris Vigil will not be issued any new licenses or permits of any kind unless the \$323.52 is paid in full to the Town. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to approve Ordinance 5.34, AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE Sec. 13-2-350 OF THE LARKSPUR MUNICIPAL CODE ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 3.118 JULY 21, 2016 Establishing Water and Sewer Fees and Rates for Out of Town Properties. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to approve \$4200 for Moondance Gardens (Dana Fuller) to landscape the front of Town Hall and \$13,620 to landscape the Town parks and the flower bed on Spruce Mountain Road at Perry Park Avenue. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to enter into "executive session" to discuss legal matters with the Town Attorney regarding a sensitive business matter. Passed 6-0-0.
- Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Passed 6/0/0.

### VISION STATEMENT

*Larkspur, a small, friendly town. A town that works together by:*

**Fostering** a

Government of

Integrity that

Responds to its

People,

**Directing**

Future Growth

within

Larkspur's

small Town

Values,

**Providing**

Community

Facilities and

Activities for all

ages and,

**Preserving** the

Natural

Environment

that is unique to

the Larkspur

area.

If you want to listen to the scanner for Douglas County fire calls, you can set up this link as a favorite. It times out, so you have to keep hitting play.

<https://www.broadcastify.com/listen/feed/7356/web>

Since a fire has already hit close to the Town limits, this website might be of use for planning in the event of evacuation.

<https://www.douglas.co.us/documents/disaster-preparedness-guide.pdf>

Here is information to sign up for Douglas County Sherriff emergency notification via reverse calls by CodeRed:

<https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/en-US/84B13CCD6B41>

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SAVE THE DATE!! Friday, May 4, 2018  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Boot Scootin' Boogie  
Spruce Mountain Ranch from 6 pm to 11 pm

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Our Music in the Park Series begins June 8, 2018. Here is the line up for the Friday night events:

June 8, 6:30 pm, ASHTONZ, Charlie Searle

June 22, 6:30 pm, BLUZONE, Kevin Loving

July 13, 6:30 pm, COUNTRY MUSIC PROJECT, Mike Rice

July 27, 6:30 pm, RASCAL MARTINEZ, Rascal or Matt

August 10, 6:00 pm, KANTANKEROUS, Eric Grace

August 24, 6:00 pm, LOOKINBACK, Steve Wagner



**Your Neighborhood Watch Committee** wants to make sure you receive notifications of emergencies. If you need help signing up for the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, CodeRed or Access & Functional Need Registry programs, please contact Linda Black to set up an appoint to get linked to these vital community services. You can reach Linda at 303-681-2324 or [lblack@townoflarkspur.org](mailto:lblack@townoflarkspur.org).

**What is CodeRed?** **CodeRED** (Reverse 911) will alert you by phone, email and text about emergencies in our area. It will also provide you instructions on what to do to protect life and property.

This high speed system works by sending out pre-recorded voicemails to your phone numbers and email. The system will notify you about police activity, lost children, wildfires, and other nearby emergencies.

Encourage friends, family members, neighbors and co-workers to register. Businesses should also sign up.

Use this link to access CodeRed: <https://www.dcsheriff.net/emergency-preparedness/be-informed-and-get-updates/>

**What is Access & Functional Need Registry?** The County's Access and Functional Needs Registry (AFN) is a database containing information about individuals in the County with functional needs who may require assistance in the event of a disaster. The information may also be used to assist emergency personnel and volunteers in providing assistance. Participation in the AFN Registry is voluntary.

The goal is to assess and plan for hazards and emergencies and work with other public safety and municipal agencies to ensure public welfare. As a pre-planning tool, the AFN Registry should be considered for all people who have special medical needs (e.g., oxygen or life support systems that are dependent upon electrical power) or have physical disabilities that would make it difficult to independently follow public safety directions, such as evacuation, if the need arose.

The County will use reasonable effort to protect this information including pursuing legal action to prevent disclosure when deemed necessary by the County. However, the County does not warrant that the information provided will be held confidential under the Colorado Open Records Act. Please do not provide information that you believe would compromise your security.

Please be as complete as possible in your responses. You will be e-mailed periodically to verify and ensure the information provided is correct and to make any necessary changes, but we encourage you to edit your information at any point that your data changes. Individual surveys will be archived after one year if not verified and facility surveys will be archived after six months if not verified.

Entering data in this registry does not guarantee that a specific emergency situation will be handled in any particular order or manner.

Use this link to access the Access & Functional Needs Registry: <https://www.deltافر.com/douglasco/Signin?ReturnUrl=%2fdouglasco>

## WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

The Town staff is evaluating options for enhancing and modernizing the waste water treatment plant. Please join us July 17 at Town Hall to learn more about the project, raise concerns you might have, and get answers to your questions.

### SAVE THE DATE

DATE: Tuesday, July 17, 2018

TIME: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

LOCATION: Town Hall

The Preliminary Needs Assessment documents will be available on the Town of Larkspur website July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### SIGN CODE REVIEW

May 3, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

Larkspur Town Hall

The Planning Commission has requested that the sign code be reviewed at a Town Hall meeting. This is going to take place on May 3, 2018 during the regular Council meeting. A full version of the draft proposed sign code can be found on the front page of the website at [www.townoflarkspur.org](http://www.townoflarkspur.org). Below is a list of items that we would like input on from the residents and business owners. Comments on other aspects of the code are welcomed:

1. Number of Banner signs allowed per property
2. Placement of roadside “snipe” signs for lost pets, in-town home businesses, garage sales
3. Use of illuminated signs
4. Sandwich board sign placement
5. Prohibited signs
6. Permitted signs

## Wildfire Season 2018

Many are concerned about the potential for wildfire this year. The Larkspur Fire Protection District shares those concerns. After two winters of low snowpack along the Front Range, the soil moisture is reduced and the green trees are dryer than in normal moisture years. The crowns of the trees (comprised of the tree's branches and needles) are now more susceptible to ignition which can lead to crown fires, a major contributing factor to large wildfire growth. Red Flag weather days have contributed to four wildfires this year within our fire district. The Noe Rd. Fire on March 23<sup>rd</sup> grew to 170 acres in size and threatened 10 structures including several homes. We all need to be aware of the enhanced potential of this wildfire season and the daily forecasts for fire danger. Mitigating your property and being prepared for evacuation are positive steps you can take in advance of the fire season.

On a related note; although we are currently able to respond effectively to wildland fires and other emergency incidents, please be aware that our capabilities, and the capabilities of our mutual aid partners throughout the state, may be reduced in the near future. The cause of the reduction in emergency response capabilities will be due to funding issues created by the combined effects of the Gallagher Amendment and the Tabor Amendment. Please contact me directly for more information concerning this potentially devastating issue.

Thank you all for your support and partnership in our preparedness for what might be a very active wildfire season.

Best of regards,

Chief Stuart Mills  
Larkspur Fire Protection District