



LARKSPUR NEWS

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**10:00 AM TO NOON, APRIL
13, 2019, EASTER EGG
HUNT IN THE LARKSPUR
TOWN PARK—LOCAL
VENDORS AND FOOD TRUCK
ON SITE.**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU
THERE!!**

MEETING DATES IN APRIL

Regular Council Meeting, April 4, 2019, 6:00 pm @ Town Hall
Water & Sewer Advisory Board Meeting, April 9, 2019, 6:00 pm @ Town Hall
Planning Commission Meeting, April 8, 2019, 5:00 pm @ Town Hall
Parks & Recreation Board Meeting, April 16, 2019, 4:30 pm @ Annex
Water & Sewer Advisory Board Meeting April 23, 2019, 6:00 pm @ Town Hall
Regular Council Meeting April 18, 2019, 6:00 pm @ Town Hall
Planning Commission Meeting, April 22, 2019 @ 5:00 pm @ Town Hall

Mayoral Candidate Forum

Saturday, April 6, 2019

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Larkspur Fire Station Community Room

Meet the four candidates running for Mayor

Hear them speak about their candidacy and ask questions

Regular Council Meeting Motions & Votes, March 7, 2019

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

Regular Council Meeting:

- **MOTION** to pay \$900.00 of RuthAnn Arfsten's engineering bill from Fischer Enterprises, Inc. A roll call vote was taken Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed.
- **MOTION** for staff and legal to create an Ordinance establishing the purpose and size of a Financial Advisory Board. A roll call vote was taken Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed.
- **MOTION** to approve the February 21, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Minutes. A roll call vote was taken Four (4) in favor, one (1) against (Paul Bowers); motion passed.
- **MOTION** to appoint Sandy McKeown as an Alternate Member to the Planning Commission. Voice vote unanimous 5-0-0
- **MOTION** to approve Bill Fischer as a Regular Member to the Water/Sewer
- Unanimous voice vote 5-0-0
- **MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:02 PM. A roll call vote taken Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed.**
- **Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:27 pm and unanimous voice vote 5-0-0.**

Regular Council Meeting Motions & Votes, March 21, 2019

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

Regular Council Meeting:

- **MOTION** to approve the March 7, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed.
- **MOTION** to pay the General Operating Fund bills in the amount of \$14,328.80. Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion carried.
- **MOTION** to pay the Water/Sewer Operating Fund bills in the amount of \$25,042.46. Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion carried.
- **MOTION** to move Fire Marshall, Randy Johnson to a Regular Member of the Parks and Rec Board. A voice vote was unanimous, motion passed.
- **MOTION** to approve proposal from Moondance Gardens for the preparation of Park Landscaping with a proposed amount of \$4,838.86. Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed.
- **MOTION** to adjourn meeting at 7:45 pm and voted unanimously.

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.

IMPORTANT EMERGENCY NUMBERS AND INFORMATION

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

To help DC families that need back-to-school help.

https://www.douglas.co.us/back-school-supplies-douglas-county-families-need/?utm_source=Douglas+County+Government+-+Colorado&utm_campaign=2cfce981e4-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_07_16_02_35&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4eb7e5e3bd-2cfce981e4-69726977

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>

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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Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Management is considering the implementation of an additional emergency notification system. The system is the Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS). IPAWS will supplement and augment the current code Red system. You can find additional information on IPAWS at: <https://www.fema.gov/integrated-public-alert-warning-system>. This link contains a short video that provides details about this program.

SAVE THE DATE: 22ND ANNUAL BOOT SCOOTIN BOOGIE

Tickets are on sale now, make sure to get yours! There are a limited amount of tickets available and you don't want to miss out. This year's event is Friday, April 12, 2019 from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm in the Spruce Mountain Ranch Ponderosa Room.

For more information go to <http://www.larkspurto.org>.

On April 18th the Council will be looking at the Draft Sign Code ordinance that was introduced last May. The Council would welcome any comments on this draft. The Draft Sign Code can be found on the Town's website.



COMMEMORATIVE TILES FOR COMMUNITY PARK PROGRAM

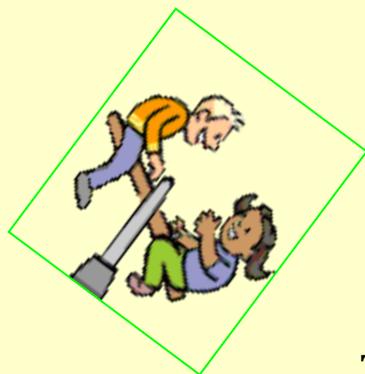
The Town of Larkspur has a continuing program for individuals to either design, or choose a pre-designed tile to commemorate a special event or person. After the tile is completed, the Town will affix it to a structure in the community park. We have a supplier for the tiles who can duplicate hundreds of pictures and will add the desired verbiage to any picture you choose. They can change the color for you on the pre-designed tiles, and if you would rather design your own tile, they can work from your design. The Company uses high quality porcelain tile suitable for outside use. Digital technology enables them to reproduce ANY photo, graphic design or artwork to create a single custom tile or a large multi-tile full color mural. They guarantee their custom tiles WILL NOT FADE even after a lifetime of use in direct outdoor sunlight. This is an ideal opportunity to give back to the community and have others enjoy your art work. Your donation will go toward completing the new park and more. Come to Town Hall, 8720 Spruce Mountain Road, Larkspur, Colorado, to make your donation and order your design. If you need help completing or choosing a design, Dorothy Hise can help you with your selection. The donation amounts are shown below:

6-inch tile (minimum donation of \$30.00)

8-inch tile (minimum donation of \$50.00)

8-inch Business logo (minimum donation of \$100.00)

We hope you will be part of this wonderful program and appreciate the opportunity to add a personal touch from YOU to our Park! Thank you from everyone at Larkspur Parks & Recreation.



To order a tile call Dorothy Hise at 303-681-2324.



The World of Grants

How much grant money did we bring to the Town in 2018--\$24,540

1. Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment--\$10,000—Funds will be used to complete a Source Water Protection Plan. Match--\$5,000 (in-kind, time to attend the meetings and any other costs the Town incurs as part of this project.) In the end, the match should be \$0.
2. Colorado State Forest Service--\$4,540—Funds were used to complete the wildfire mitigation of 6.5 acres of land located in the ravine north of the Town Hall. Match--\$2,270
3. Colorado Water Resource & Power Development Authority--\$10,000—Funds are being used to complete the Preliminary Needs Assessment and the Environmental Assessment for the proposed Wastewater Treatment Facility. Match--\$0

Typically, grants require a cash match. In 2018, the Town had very little money for the cash matches. We want to highlight other grant programs that have benefited the Town of Larkspur. The American Federation of Human Rights (AFHR) has a grant writer, Elaine Phelen, who writes, administers and manages their grant programs. In 2018, the AFHR received the following grants:

1. A substantial grant award to improve the forests on the organization's property in Larkspur, Colorado. Since purchasing the property in 1916, AFHR has labored diligently to improve the local landscape and conserve the natural beauty of the property. As part of that effort, AFHR applied for conservation grant funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) assists landowners across the United States in the conservation of natural resources such as soil, water, and air. In September of 2018, AFHR was awarded an **\$186,000** EQIP grant contract for forest stand improvement on the 212 acre property. The EQIP funding will facilitate treatment of the entirety of AFHR's forested property, following previous mitigation work completed via grant funding from the Colorado State Forestry Service (CSFS), and is expected to commence in the Spring of 2019. Protecting the residents, homes, and town of Larkspur from the threat of catastrophic wildfire is of vital importance to AFHR, and the EQIP grant funding will both improve the health of the forest and protect the region against future wildfire risk. (For more information about the NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program,

Visit www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/financial/eqip/)

2. Historic Preservation is another integral priority for AFHR, and the organization's headquarters campus was added to the National Register of Historic Places in March of 1998. Last year, AFHR applied for grant funding from Colorado's State Historical Fund (SHF) as part of an effort to protect AFHR's Administration Building. With construction commencing in 1919, this historic structure has weathered substantial wear and tear over the past century, requiring a comprehensive assessment and subsequent renovation to ensure the building's structural integrity. In August 2018, AFHR received a grant award of **\$13,000** from the State Historical Fund for the completion of a Historic Structure Assessment (HSA). Work is currently underway in the first phase of the larger renovation effort to preserve this historic landmark for future generations.

(For more information about the State Historical Fund's HSA program, visit www.historycolorado.org/historic-structure-assessment-grants)

AFHR is grateful for the grant funding provided by NRCS, CSFS, and SHF and appreciates the continued support from its local community partners, including: the Larkspur Fire Protection District (LFPD), Town of Larkspur, Larkspur Historical Society, and Historic Douglas County. Through collaboration, the shared goals of conservation, wildfire prevention, and historic preservation can be realized for the benefit of all members of our vibrant community.

Upcoming Events:

- Larkspur Fire Protection District (LFPD) Wildfire Preparedness Workshop – Saturday 04/13/19 - 9:00 am–1:00 pm @ LFPD Station 161.
- Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Management, Wildland Fire Alert & Warning and Evacuation Seminar – Tuesday 04/16/19 – 6:00 pm–8:00 pm @ the County Commissioner's Hearing Room, 100 Third St., Castle Rock, CO (RSVP required—email alwalton@dcsheiff.net or call 303-814-4350).

“ALL THINGS SENIOR” PARTNERS SOUGHT FOR EXPO

Area senior related businesses and organizations are encouraged to register for booth space as community partners in the Douglas Countywide Senior Life Expo on April 18.

Partners will represent all facets of service or programs for seniors who live life to the fullest, including housing, home care, insurance, estate planning, assistance and services, transportation, government programs and activities for socializing and keeping busy. In addition to renting booth space, opportunities are available for sponsorship which includes advertising and presenting seminars at the event.

The 2018 event had 80 partners that provided information to the more than 600 senior citizens and their family members who came. It is not a commercial for-profit event, but is a local endeavor for the sole purpose of getting much needed information on aging into the hands of those who need it. The event is free to the public, and will run from 1 to 5 pm on April 18 at the Douglas County Events Center in Castle Rock. Deadlines for registering as a partner are approaching.

The expo is being organized by the Castle Rock Senior Activity Center. For more information, go to www.castlerockseniorcenter.org or call 303 688-9498.