

JUNE 2019



Larkspur NEWS-LETTER

Mayor

Marvin Cardenas

Town Counsel

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Newly elected Mayor Marvin Cardenas chairs his first Town Council Meeting, opening with a Mayor's Report outlining activities during his first days in office including

- Personnel changes
- Wastewater negotiations with Jellystone Park
- Final inspections for the new water system
- Firewise Plan
- Town Maintenance

Fresh Drinking Water !!

The new water system is about to go in effect and was designed to dramatically reduce the amount of iron and magnesium in the water supply bringing a fresh taste to safe drinking water. The preliminary results are looking good and the system should be operational within weeks. At discussion were more recent fluxes in the amount of radium, content and the new systems ability to control it as well. The Wrightwater Engineers expect the testing results to report that the results will be in line with safe standards. Minor modifications can be made to enhance the radium control if needed.



Town of Larkspur

8720 Spruce Mountain Road
Larkspur, Colorado

Phone: (303) 681-2324

Web

<http://townoflarkspur.org/>

Larkspur Free Library



Tons of Books
and videos

Town Hall Annex
9524 Spruce Mountain Rd

Thursday 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Recent analysis of the existing wastewater (sewer) system brought to light that the upon completion of the new Jellystone Park campsite expansion, their usage was going to overwhelm the current capacity of the Town's system. As a result a temporary building moratorium was put in place. Newly elected Mayor Cardenas is currently in discussion with Sun Systems, Corporate Parent of Jellystone, with the intent to have Sun build their own wastewater system. If successful, it will relieve pressure on the Town by reducing the full capacity use of the current system, provide a level of use permitting the continued development of the Town and eliminate the building moratorium. Future efforts can then be directed toward upgrading of the current system to meet future needs and standards.



Renaissance Festival

With the Renaissance Festival only weeks away, the Town staff is busy preparing Vendor Packages for over 150 vendors expected to participate in the season's activities.

Matt Krimmer, Town Manager retires with over 12 years service to the Town of Larkspur. His familiar face will be missed at the Town Hall.



Also retiring as Matt's 3rd hand, is Town Clerk **Sharon Roman**, who spent 13 years serving the Town. Sharon has already moved to her happy new retirement home in Pagosa Springs.

Larkspur resident **James Stockstill** will be joining the Town Team as **Public Works Manager** bringing his 15 years of facilities maintenance skills to the Town. He served the past decade as Facilities Maintenance Director for the Country Club of Woodmoor. Welcome James.

The Town Council has approved formation of a new **Financial Advisory Board** made up of a team of financial experts who will be providing their services to the Council by analyzing the financial aspects of current and planned activities and providing the council with their analysis and recommendations. Other active Committees include the Planning Committee and the Strategic Plan Committee.



Former Mayor Jerry Bean is having a rough go at it with his health issues and everyone wishes him the best recuperation possible. Drop him a note or card to show him we care.

The **Planning Committee** has completed the Town's **Master Plan** and presented it to the Town Council for formal approval. It is designed as a "living document" that will be continuously updated as events require.



Parks and Recreation -

Spring is here and flower planting is under way.

The Baseball Field is active and the Banner Program is filling fast with the intent of raising capital to put in lights for night games.



Commemorative Tiles are available for purchase with the funds raised also going to the night light program.

Mayor Marvin's Corner

I am honored and humbled to be elected Mayor of this great and beautiful town. I am grateful to the townsfolk's who voted for me to make the necessary changes to our town government. It has been a huge undertaking as many of the employees either retired or quit, leaving the town files and maintenance building/yard in disarray. Teamwork is what it takes to make the changes happen, and my thank you list is lengthy.

I have been blessed with a great transition team, Steve Gonzales and Walt Korinke; retired professionals who are volunteering their time to make the transition go as smoothly as possible. Their hard work and dedication have really helped the Town out in this difficult time. I just want them to know how much they are valued and appreciated. I could have not done it without them! Thank You!

And a very special thanks to Dave & Ellyn Gardner, Matt & Yvette Carmichael, Brian Cook, Matias Cumsille, Lynn Pfaff, Barb Sheldon, Bill Fischer & Shannon Buss! And the list goes on.

Water & Sewer Board: Tricia Bernhardt, Ruth Ann Arfsten, Brian Cook, Bill Fischer, Lynn Pfaff and Barb Sheldon.

Larkspur Consultant: Lee Stabb

The Planning Commission: Ed Blanchard, Brian Cook, Matias Cumsille, Bill Lucero, Sandy Mckeen, Lynn Pfaff and Walt Korinke.

Parks & Rec: Nona Bloomquist, Bill Fischer, Debbie Fischer, Randy Johnson, Dwight Stein, and Anita Wilkinson.

Financial Advisory Board: Matt Carmichael, Tim Dumler, Walt Korinke, Barb Sheldon, Gilad Schwartz, Bill Fischer and Doyle Slack.

Larkspur Free Library: Cindy Cramer and Krystine Cramer

Town Residents: Gary Abel, Dave Fesing, Vickie Harris, Billy Teague, and Kat White

The Larkspur Chamber: Dave Gardener, Mike Hurdle, Debbie Fischer, Gilad Schwartz, Bonnie Schwam-Munoz and Peggy Whalen,

Larkspur Town Council: Paul Bowers, Jeremiah Holmes, Isaac Levy, Tabitha Parks, Heather Sanchez and Janelle Waggle.

This is what makes living in a small town so great and enhances our sense of community!! We could not do it without our volunteers!! Thank you!

I am also looking to start a **Grant Committee**, so if you would like to volunteer, please call town hall at 303-681-2324.

MEETINGS

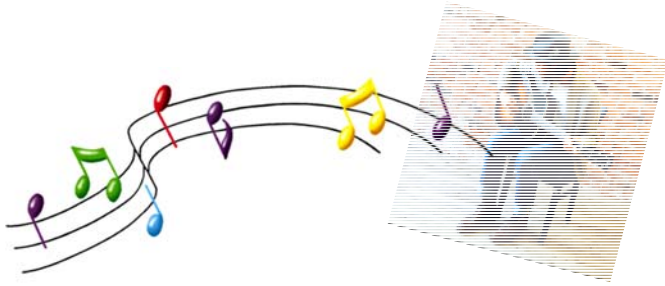
TOWN COUNCIL
1st & 3rd Thursday

PLANNING COMMISSION
2nd & 4th Monday

To view meeting minutes & motions

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3rd Season — 2019

- June 14** **The Ashtonz**
- June 28** **Professor M**
- July 12** **Rascal Martinez**
- July 26** **Wirewood Station**
- Aug 3** **Kantankerous**
- Aug 23** **Looking Back**

Sponsors

Bring your chairs, & blankets & enjoy.



6:30 to 8:00 pm

For more summer fun
Visit the
Renaissance Festival.

Renaissance Festival

The Renaissance Festival returns for its 43rd year with another 8 medieval weekends

June 15th thru August 4
10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The +/- 25,000 per day weekend visitors will undoubtedly incur increased difficulty accessing the Festival with all of the I-25 GAP extension building activity. Let's do all we can do to welcome our summer visitors as they enjoy the wonders of Larkspur's parks, trails and local businesses while also attending the Festival. They enhance our economy to the benefit of all the residents through their visits to our local stores, and provide almost \$1/2 million dollars in sales tax revenue from the Renaissance Festival to the Town's operating budget. The Concerts and Ren. Fen. Offer some great outdoor fun - visit both!

